

Michigan Frequently Asked Questions

Q:	Where does the money raised go?
A:	<p>Funds raised are donated directly to the most promising SCAD research.</p> <p>A small portion is used to pay for organizational overhead such as legal filing fees and 5K expenses. SCAD Research, Inc. is an all-volunteer organization with no paid employees. SCAD Research, Inc. is overseen by a volunteer board of directors.</p> <p>In 2019 due to the success of multiple 5Ks and other direct donations, we donated \$165,000 to research. Since SCAD Research, Inc. started in 2011, we have donated \$965,000 total! The vast majority of the funds raised have been awarded to the Mayo Clinic SCAD Research Program, Rochester, MN. The more money we raise, the more we can donate for research.</p> <p>In 2018 (the most recent year with financial data available) 96% of our revenue supported research. In 2018 & 2019, SCAD Research, Inc. received the Platinum Seal of Transparency from GuideStar.</p>
Q:	Is there a registration fee?
A:	There are two fee levels depending on the participant's age. Register by October 1 to guarantee this year's 5K t-shirt.
Q	Can I raise additional funds?
A:	<p>Absolutely! Every dollar raised brings us closer to discovering the causes and treatments for life altering SCAD events.</p> <p>All registered participants are encouraged to set a fundraising goal. Consider forming your own team and/or personalize your fundraising page. Email a link to your fundraising page or team to people you know and/or post on social media.</p> <p>You may want to name and dedicate your team or personal fundraising page to someone who has experienced a SCAD.</p>
Q:	If people "sponsor" me, are their names listed? Is their support tax deductible?
A:	<p>Those who want to support you and SCAD Research, Inc. by donating to your fundraising page or team have the choice to list their name or remain anonymous.</p> <p>Contributions through your fundraising page/team go to SCAD Research, Inc., which is an IRS approved 501(c)(3) charity. Donations for which no goods or services are exchanged are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law. They should consult their tax advisor to determine how the rules apply to their particular case.</p>
Q:	What if I cannot make it to the 5K and I want to contribute?
A:	If you are unable to join us in person at our Michigan 5K, you can sponsor someone, attend one of our other 5Ks , participate virtually or donate directly to SCAD Research, Inc
Q.	How far are we running/walking? What if I can't run/walk that far?

A.	We are running/walking a 5K, which is 3.1 miles. You can go as far as you want. We are just glad that you can join us!
Q.	Are strollers and wagons allowed on the 5K trail?
A.	While strollers and wagons are allowed on the course, please use your own discretion. Those with strollers/wagons will be asked to line up towards the end of the starting line. Please yield to runners/walkers on the course.
Q.	Is the 5K timed?
A.	We will not keep an official time. There will be a large clock for participants to view when they start/cross the finish line..
Q.	Are there awards/recognitions for participants?
A.	Since this is a fun run, we will not be awarding medals.
Q.	What if it rains?
A.	We will have the 5K rain or shine. So, grab your umbrella and raincoats and join us. Unfortunately, we are not able to issue refunds.
Q:	Who should I contact if I have more questions?
A:	Contact the planning committee at 5kmichigan@scadresearch.org or SCAD Research, Inc. at scadinfo@scadresearch.org