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"Lupus LA is all about bringing lupus awareness, finding a cure and not forgetting about the lupus patients and their families."

- *Estela Mata-Carcamo,*
Support Group Facilitator



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR LUPUS LA

Lupus LA is dedicated to finding the causes of and a cure for lupus while providing support, services and hope to all people affected by lupus.

We do this by supporting medical research, offering a variety of support services to patients and their families, funding tomorrow's rheumatologists, advocating for better medical care, and funding in government. However, we can't do this alone. We rely on the generosity of our donors to help make our mission a reality – finding a cure for lupus.

Throughout this document are quotes from our patients, their family members, and leaders in our organization — all of whose lives have been touched by the work of Lupus LA. There are many ways to be a part of Lupus LA's important mission. We encourage you to read their comments and ask for an opportunity to discuss our funding goals and vision with you. Your gift will ensure that Lupus LA will continue to help patients and their families throughout Southern California and beyond.

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“With the support of Lupus LA, grant-making organizations such as the LRA, provide more bridge and translational funding than any other non-governmental lupus organization with the highest percentage of quality work being subsequently funded by the NIH. It is a true privilege to be a participant in this process.”

*- Dr. Daniel J. Wallace,
Rheumatologist, Researcher, and Founding Member of Lupus LA*



SECTION ONE: INVEST IN MEDICAL RESEARCH

Lupus LA believes that research is the key to a future without lupus. Medical research is an important part of Lupus LA's mission and Lupus LA is continually working toward meeting and exceeding our research goals of \$200,000-\$400,000 annually.

Lupus LA makes a difference by being one of the leaders in supporting scientific medical research through our grant-making partners at the Lupus Research Alliance (LRA) – formally known as the Lupus Research Institute (LRI) and Alliance for Lupus Research (ALR). To date, Lupus LA has given over \$4M to fund important novel and translational medical research.

Your dollars can make a difference. Support of medical research has led to some amazing discoveries in recent years. Below is a list of some key breakthroughs:

- **Genes that Increase Susceptibility to Lupus**

Two genes have been identified that make lupus-prone mice susceptible to lupus. This is fresh insight into how the disease develops. Scientists are now examining if the same genes are defective in people with lupus.

- **How Lupus Damages Organs—Kidneys, Heart, Brain, and Skin**

Researchers have confirmed five novel explanations for how lupus damages vital organs such as the kidneys, heart, brain, and skin. Now there is real hope for strategies to stop the damage.

- **Pathways that Enable Misguided Antibodies to Attack**

Scientists have discovered four pathways involved in auto-antibodies—to the body rather than outside invaders—that highlight possible ways to prevent lupus.

- **Molecules that Determine Control of the Immune System**

Four molecules have been described that act as critical control points for the immune system. These molecules present drug targets for lupus and other autoimmune diseases.

- **Targets for New Treatments**

Promising results are enticing pharmaceutical companies to explore new drugs for lupus for the first time in decades.

- **20+ New Biomarkers for Diagnosing, Monitoring and Treating Lupus**

Biomarkers are crucial for monitoring, managing, and determining treatment efficacy in lupus. Six of the more than 20 identified by LRI investigators are being tested in people with lupus.

Funding Request: \$25,000 - \$250,000 annually

“Lupus LA has helped to bring forth advances in research by funding a fellowship directed toward the same. I am grateful to Lupus LA for helping me further my education and help lupus patients throughout Greater Los Angeles.”

*- Dr. Vaneet K. Sandhu,
Rheumatologist and Lupus LA's First Fellow*



SECTION TWO: A LEADER IN LUPUS CARE

Project Opportunity: Endow a Lupus Fellow

Each year, Lupus LA is committed to partnering with a local institution to fund a rheumatology fellow specializing in Lupus patient care, treatments and research.

The American College of Rheumatology Workforce Study estimated that about half of practicing rheumatologists will retire within eight years, and that by 2025, there will be a shortage of 2,600 rheumatologists in the U.S. In light of these staggering numbers, Lupus LA is committed to the training of new doctors in the field of rheumatology in Southern California.

In 2013, Lupus LA established its first such fellow by creating the Lupus LA/Cedars-Sinai Rheumatology Fellowship Program at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, focusing on both patient care and research. The two-year fellowship has now ended and our fellow, Vaneet K. Sandhu, MD, has moved on to a junior faculty position with the Loma Linda School of Medicine in the Division of Rheumatology. Dr. Sandhu's major clinical and research interests involve lupus and related autoimmune disorders. She will be setting up lupus clinics at the medical school that emphasize the diagnosis, treatment and management of these diseases, as well as teaching medical students, interns, residents and fellows. We are proud of her accomplishments and see Dr. Sandhu as a much needed resource who will provide clinical excellence in San Bernardino and Riverside counties.

Lupus LA has begun its next fellowship with the pediatric rheumatology division at Children's Hospital Los Angeles. There are **approximately 200 pediatric rheumatologists in the country** and most are concentrated in large urban areas. Pediatric rheumatological disease diagnosis is growing exponentially and the need for trained doctors and clinicians is desperate throughout the United States. Our new fellow, Julie Cramer, MD, began her three-year fellowship in July 2015. She is specializing in pediatric rheumatology in patient care.

Lupus LA has secured funding for years one and two of this fellowship. We are seeking funding for the third year of this fellowship.

Funding request: \$80,000 for the 2017/2018 fiscal year.

Project Opportunity: Fund a Lupus Educator/Health Professional

Support local lupus patients by funding a Lupus Clinic Patient Services Director/Health Educator at the UC-Irvine Lupus Clinic.

SECTION TWO: A LEADER IN LUPUS CARE (CONTINUED)

The UC-Irvine Lupus Clinic serves several hundred patients from a large geographic area. Patients come from Orange County to San Diego to Riverside County, and the majority of them are minorities of Asian or Hispanic descent. Additionally, the clinic offers specialty care for related lupus issues such as pulmonary care, nephrology and high risk OB/GYN care.

Due to the large number of patients seen at the UC-Irvine Lupus Clinic and the scarcity of resources at UC-Irvine (UCI), the clinic director and Lupus LA Medical Advisory Board member Sheetal Desai, MD, would like to engage a committed premedical student in the role of **Lupus Clinic Patient Services Director/Health Educator**. This position would greatly expand the services offered to the patient population and add to the quality of care given.

The roles of this individual include, but are not limited to:

- Be present at all lupus clinics at UCI and personally meet every patient.
- Create and maintain a lupus patient database to use for clinical trials and retrospective studies.
- Identify and enroll patients in appropriate clinical trials in sister institutions – UCLA Medical Center, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, and Loma Linda University Medical Center.
- Be a health educator providing formal contraception and pregnancy safety educational sessions for all lupus patients of childbearing years.
- Create a transition clinic for a smoother transfer of our lupus adolescent patients from Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC) to UCI.
- Have a comprehensive care program for high utilizing patients (those who are frequently hospitalized) to try to evaluate the reasons for and prevent continuing hospitalizations.

The hope for this position is that it can serve as a wonderful model for lupus centers throughout the region and inspire this premedical student to consider a field in rheumatology in the future.

Funding Request: \$25,000 annually

Project Opportunity: Local Projects – Global Impact

Lupus LA has created a unique group of lupus medical professionals from four of the leading Greater Los Angeles medical institutions: Cedars-Sinai Medical Center (CSMC), UCLA Medical Center (UCLA), UC-Irvine (UCI) and Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA), to form our Medical Advisory Board

(MAB). Chaired by Andreas Reiff, MD (Rheumatologist – CHLA), and R. Swamy Venuturupalli, MD, FACR (Rheumatologist – CSMC), the MAB is a dedicated and passionate group of clinicians whose common goal is to find better treatment options for patients and eventually a cure for lupus.



(CONTINUED) SECTION TWO: A LEADER IN LUPUS CARE

Lupus LA has begun a new initiative with our MAB members. We want to encourage our hospital partners to come together and think about programs/projects that are more impactful when the institutions work together.

Our first such project has come to us from doctors at **Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Children's Hospital Los Angeles, University of Southern California – Irvine and the Universidade Federal de São Paulo, Brazil**. This joint project aims to expand and maintain an already established long-term prospective database. This database collects detailed clinical and demographic information about adult and pediatric lupus patients (such as patient-reported outcomes) and holds an associated bio-specimen repository (including whole blood, DNA, RNA, serum and urine). The project has already started enrolling lupus patients at CSMC and CHLA but seeks additional support for its continued implementation and growth.

What makes this project so interesting is that by having a long-term prospective database available, it lets researchers and clinicians study how socio-demographics and health care delivery systems impact health outcomes and quality of life in patients with lupus. In its current form, the database provides a large amount of clinical and bio-specimen data that can be used to understand environmental, biological, genetic and cultural differences among lupus patients locally and globally. It also enables collaborative research with molecular immunologists in order to unravel unique pathways that operate in the different types of lupus clinical situations. The possibilities are endless, giving countries like Brazil and other developing countries a structured mechanism to carefully characterize and understand patients with lupus.

“Thinking beyond the four walls of our individual institutions allows us to change the lupus landscape worldwide.”

*- Dr. Andreas Reiff,
Chief of Rheumatology,
Children's Hospital Los Angeles*

Opportunities to contribute to the database and become involved in this collaboration are available to all local Southern California institutions affiliated with Lupus LA and other global partners wishing to participate.

Funding support for this project would allow participating institutions to do the following:

- Provide coordinator support for continued enrollment at CSMC/CHLA/Universidade Federal de São Paulo (UNIFESP)/University of Southern California (USC).
- Translate key study documents and re-program the database so that it is available online in multiple language formats (including Spanish and Portuguese).
- Manage bio-specimen collection, processing, and storage.
- Support community outreach to let lupus patients know about the opportunity to participate.

Funding Request: \$75,000 annually (two-year commitment sought)

“We knew very little about lupus and we came across the Lupus LA website and decided to attend a support group. It was amazing to share and have others share their stories about lupus and to have people who understand what you are going through.”

- Juana Mata, Support Group Leader and Lupus Patient



SECTION THREE: HELPING OTHERS HELP THEMSELVES: OUR PATIENT SERVICES PROGRAMS

Program Opportunity: Underwrite Our Support Groups

Patient support and services are at the cornerstone of Lupus LA's mission. Our support groups were created to help patients and their loved ones learn more about lupus and how to cope with managing a serious illness. Lupus LA holds eight adult support groups throughout the Greater Los Angeles Area and funds a pediatric support program through a partnership with Children's Hospital Los Angeles.

Our groups are facilitated by both paid professionals and trained lupus patients. Lupus LA does not charge for this service and we cater to the patients and their loved ones.

Our adult support groups are currently held in Alhambra, Baldwin Park, Irvine, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Rancho Cucamonga and Sherman Oaks, with a Spanish-language group in Boyle Heights. We are looking to increase the number of support groups offered in the coming year.

The pediatric support group at Children's Hospital Los Angeles is held in English and Spanish and focuses on helping children and parents learn how to cope with the challenges of living with lupus.

Funding Request: \$18,000 annually to fund our support group programs.

Program Opportunity: Support Our Emergency Grant Program

Having lupus is expensive. Lupus LA is the *only* organization in California to provide financial assistance to lupus patients. Our Lupus Emergency Grant (LEG) program provides up to \$500 annually to help a person with lupus pay for medicines, utilities and other pressing needs. Examples of lupus-related needs include:

- Purchase of necessary medications or drugs (on physician's orders).
- Rental or purchase of durable medical equipment.
- Rental or purchase of personal care items designed to improve functioning of the grantee in activities of daily living (eyeglasses, hearing aids, specialized telephone equipment, adaptive living devices, adaptive clothing, etc.).
- Temporary subsidy for emergency and non-recurring personal or living expenses to support the grantee's own efforts (created by sudden loss of job, loss of disability benefits, awaiting public assistance grants, awaiting other government grants or awards, personal trauma or tragedy, overwhelming medical expenses, etc.).

LEGs are awarded through a vigorous application process and have strict grant guidelines. The Lupus LA staff is trained to help patients navigate and complete this process.

SECTION THREE: OUR PATIENT SERVICES PROGRAMS (CONTINUED)

LEGs are a necessary and vital part of the Lupus LA patient services programs. We are where lupus patients turn when they need empathy, understanding, and support. Please help Lupus LA continue to support those with lupus by contributing to our Lupus Emergency Grant fund.

“Thank you, Lupus LA, from my heart for the help you gave me for my medicine. You gave me back my quality of life!”

- Pamela, Lupus Patient

Funding Request: \$10,000 – \$25,000 annually

Program Opportunity: Support Patient Conferences and Education

As the saying goes, knowledge is power. Once diagnosed with lupus, education is one of the most important things lupus patients can do for themselves. Lupus LA aims to make educating oneself a little easier by offering two *Latest On Lupus* patient conferences annually. Our conferences are held in Los Angeles and Orange County to make sure that we cover the broadest geographic area possible.

Our annual patient conferences provide an exciting opportunity to hear from the best and the brightest in the field of lupus research, treatment options and specialty topics. Through our conferences, Lupus LA provides access to the leading Los Angeles medical professionals to whom many of our patients do not have access. Additionally, we try to offer a wide range of topics each year to meet the needs of our growing population.

By supporting our patient conferences and patient education, you are helping to enable and empower people with lupus and their families to get the care they need and deserve.

“Thank you, Lupus LA. I feel newly empowered as a patient!”

- Cheryl, Lupus Patient

Funding Request: \$10,000 - \$20,000 annually

Additional Opportunities: General Patient Services Program Support

In addition to our support groups, emergency grants and patient conferences, Lupus LA provides a number of services to the lupus patient community. Consider making a gift to our program services general fund. Examples of the types of programs your donation will support are:

One-On-One Support

Our patient community can schedule a one-on-one non-clinical support meeting with Lupus LA's Program Manager. Participants can discuss a variety of issues that aim to help support them through their lupus process. These individual consultations help patients determine how to best manage their disease, understand their diagnosis, identify symptoms, explore treatment options and deal with other issues, like insurance. Other topics have included resource identification to help navigate basic life skills with lupus, financial management, identifying programs that provide personal assistance, individual therapy, and job training.

*"It finally makes sense.
I feel much more optimistic now."*

- William, Lupus Patient

Patient Navigation

Recognizing the difficulty many patients have in dealing effectively with the healthcare system, Lupus LA teaches patients how to navigate the tangled healthcare and social service bureaucracies. We work with patients to help them understand hospital and clinic routines and patients' rights and responsibilities. We support patients by offering help with the following:

- Guiding patients in preparing for a doctor visit and understanding medical tests.
- Obtaining meaningful medical consultations.
- Securing referrals to specialists such as rheumatologists, neurologists and nephrologists.
- Coordinating their own care with their team of medical professionals.

Train The Trainer

People with chronic diseases tend to identify with and learn from people who have gone through similar experiences. As such, Lupus LA is training peer facilitators to lead community support groups. The *Train the Trainer* program aims to help peer facilitators provide appropriate support and teach coping mechanisms to group members.

*“Camp has given me hope
and support and made me
realize the limitations
I thought I had, I don't!”*

— Camper with Lupus



SECTION FOUR: SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH LUPUS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Program Opportunity: Give the Gift of Summer Camp

Lupus LA proudly supports children with lupus (ages 7-16) by providing them with a chance to participate in a unique week-long summer camp experience with The Painted Turtle in Lake Hughes, CA. The Painted Turtle camp is where children with serious medical conditions celebrate just being kids! Through innovative, camp-based programs that offer a great big dose of fun and support, children with more than 30 medical conditions and their families visit The Painted Turtle each year, reclaiming the joys of childhood.

At The Painted Turtle, campers have the opportunity to take part in traditional camp activities – horseback riding, arts and crafts, swimming, and archery – specifically designed to help promote independence while increasing self-acceptance and self-esteem. The facility is staffed with volunteer rheumatologists, nurses, and counselors who help campers enjoy their activities while continuing their medical treatments. The camp helps children with lupus improve coping skills, increase self-confidence and encourage new friendships and support systems that extend far beyond the camp week.

Funding Request: \$1,200 per scholarship (20 needed each summer)

Program Opportunity: Make the Holidays Happy for Lupus Families

Each December, Lupus LA co-sponsors a holiday party for the patients and families who participate in the *Families Living with Rheumatic Diseases* pediatric support group program at Children's Hospital Los Angeles. This event brings together all of the participants, doctors, nurses, therapists and supporters to celebrate the holidays and share in a fun-filled afternoon in a safe and positive environment where children and families can learn more about their conditions, share experiences, and learn to live successfully with a chronic illness during the holidays. Our support helps provide entertainment, lunch, and gifts for every child in each family (siblings included), and offers a unique and dynamic program that provides education and therapeutic support to children, adolescents, and parents.

Funding Request: \$3,000 - \$5,000 annually

Additional Ways to Support Our Pediatric Initiatives

In addition to our current pediatric-focused portfolio of programs, we are always looking to expand the amount of outreach, education and support that we offer this vibrant and growing population. To learn more about these new initiatives, please contact the Lupus LA office at (310) 657-5667.

“Our need to have correct information and an outlet for our range of emotions was very high: that is where the Lupus LA support group at Children's Hospital was a lifesaver. The support group was exactly what we needed at a very uncertain time. The support group also gave our daughter a chance to meet other kids who had lupus and made her feel like if others had made it, she could too.”

- Parent of a Pediatric Support Group Participant



SECTION FIVE: SHARING OUR STORIES: ADVOCACY & AWARENESS

Project Opportunity: Sponsor a PSA or Awareness Campaign

Raising awareness is a vital part of the Lupus LA mission. While lupus is widespread, awareness and accurate knowledge about it are lacking. Research shows that although 1.5 million people in the U.S. have lupus, nearly two-thirds of the public knows little or nothing about the disease. In fact, more Americans have lupus than AIDS, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, sickle-cell anemia and cystic fibrosis, making it one of this country's most prevalent medical problems. In Los Angeles County alone, there are over 60,000 people suffering from lupus.

In addition to raising money, Lupus LA's events raise awareness through extensive local, regional and national media coverage – in print, on TV, via radio, and the Internet. This is made possible through the support of Hollywood – both celebrities and industry executives. However, producing and placing these public service announcements require professional support and can be expensive. We rely on members of the Lupus LA community to help share and fund our efforts in this area. Lupus LA is looking for not only funding for our awareness efforts but also expertise in producing and promoting our message of a life without lupus.

Funding Request: \$25,000 - \$50,000 annually

"It's comforting to know that Lupus LA is there and I depend on their resources to help me through my journey."

- Donna, Lupus Patient

Project Opportunity: Sponsor Our Newsletters

Spreading knowledge and awareness about lupus is paramount to raising the amount of aid that is given to support research and patient programs. To many, our newsletter is a lifeline to what is happening in the Los Angeles lupus arena. The Lupus LA newsletter reminds recipients that they are not alone and that resources and support are available to them. Our semi-annual newsletter is distributed to over 8,000 individuals throughout the United States and abroad sharing news about Lupus LA events and happenings, new treatment options, clinical trials and updated patient services information. It is important that we continue to expand our reach and promote the work of Lupus LA.

Funding Request: \$15,000 - \$20,000 annually

“It is Lupus LA's patient programs, emergency grant fund, and commitment to raise funds for research that reaches far beyond the Los Angeles area that drew me to Lupus LA. Their commitment and focused dedication to the lupus community are unmatched on a national level.”

- *Elle*, *Lupus Patient*



SECTION SIX: SUPPORT US IN SUPPORTING OUR MISSION

Project Opportunity: Underwrite an Event

Lupus LA raises **two-thirds** of our funds through four annual large-scale orange carpet events. As anyone who has ever planned an event knows, they are expensive to produce. Lupus LA has benefited greatly by the press, publicity and awareness our events bring to lupus. We are always trying to find new ways to reduce costs and raise more money for programs, research and services.

Underwriting an event is a game changer for Lupus LA. It allows us to put more of our money and efforts into supporting medical research, patient programs and awareness while helping to keep our event and fundraising expenses low. Help us by underwriting part or all of an event, allowing more of the proceeds to fund the work of Lupus LA's mission.

Let Lupus LA promote you and your company's brand in a very public way. Lupus LA is securing over **190,000,000** impressions in press and social media images for each of our events. We can tailor an elite sponsorship opportunity to fit your needs.

Funding Request: \$50,000 - \$200,000 annually

Project Opportunity: Pay Our Rent for a Year

Keeping our overhead costs low allows us to do more with the funds raised for Lupus LA. Help cover the costs of keeping the office open by paying our rent for a year, ensuring Lupus LA's home is secure.

Funding Request: \$72,000 annually

Project Opportunity: Be the Benefactor of Benefits

Every day we hear from countless patients that they are having issues getting the medical coverage and care they need. Lupus LA offers all full-time employees a PPO health plan, dental and vision at no cost to them. We pride ourselves on providing excellent benefits to our dedicated staff of five. However, these benefits come at a premium. Give the gift of health and assurance by becoming the benefactor of our employee benefits.

Funding Request: \$45,000 annually

SECTION SEVEN: INVEST IN THE

Investment Opportunity: Fund a Development Director

An important funding need of Lupus LA is capacity building. Capacity building refers to the targeted efforts and activities that an organization engages in that serve to improve and/or enhance its ability to achieve its strategic mission, and ultimately, to sustain itself long term.

While financially sound, Lupus LA has reached a plateau in its organizational growth. Since its inception, development/fundraising has been the responsibility of the Executive Director, supplemented by a supportive Board of Directors. Currently, the funding strategy employed by Lupus LA focuses primarily on special events, with about 70% of its funding from the special events and about 30% from corporate sponsorships and individual donors. In order for Lupus LA to grow and expand its reach by adding additional programming and services, we need to diversify our funding streams and goals. Simply put, Lupus LA needs to increase its fundraising capacity. Therefore, expanding the staff of Lupus LA to include a Development Director will be an invaluable asset to the organization in both the short-term and long-term goals of Lupus LA.

The Development Director will report to, and work in concert with, the Executive Director to implement an enhanced fund development strategy for Lupus LA. Special emphasis will be on broadening the breadth and depth of the organization's fundraising by identifying and pursuing new streams of capital for the organization. As such, this person will be tasked with mining the local and national landscape for untapped funding streams, cultivating new corporate, foundation, and individual donors, responding to public and private grant proposal requests and overseeing a comprehensive fund development plan. All of these fund development activities will serve to support Lupus LA's initiatives to increase: awareness and advocacy, continue investment in ground-breaking research, and provide a variety of patient support services and educational programs, such as the *Latest on Lupus* patient conferences.

Funding Request: \$300,000 to be disbursed over a three-year period.

A request for the largest amount of funding would be in the first year (\$125,000), followed by incrementally decreased amounts each subsequent year, assumes that through the course of his/her duties in soliciting and securing ongoing financial resources to support the expansion of operational capacity of Lupus LA, the Development Director will also obtain the funding requisite to subsidize the position in the long-term. The initial \$300,000, therefore, represents an invaluable investment of seed capital needed to diversify the context and scope of Lupus LA's existing fundraising portfolio.

FUTURE OF LUPUS LA

Legacy Opportunity: Seed an Endowment

Our hope is that one day the need for Lupus LA will no longer exist and that a cure for lupus has been found. However, until this day is realized, we must ensure the longevity of the Lupus LA mission and the sustainability of our organization.

“Lupus LA is a strong and vibrant organization because of the deep commitment of its supporters. Continuing this commitment is vital.”

*- Adam Selkowitz,
Lupus LA Chairman and Lupus Patient*

Each year Lupus LA helps thousands of people navigate healthcare, offers education options, aids in doctor referrals, gives support through our emergency grant program, runs support groups, helps pediatric patients with lupus, funds vital novel medical research and spreads awareness about a disease that affects more than 1.5 million people in the United States alone. It's a women's disease with a striking 90% of all lupus patients being female. However, lupus doesn't discriminate with race, sex or age. Anyone can get lupus and we are working hard to find the causes of and a cure for lupus.

Help make a gift of a lifetime by ensuring our legacies today. We are seeking a seed gift to jumpstart our Endowment Fund. This fund will help offer stability and permanency to an already healthy and financially stable organization.

Funding Request: \$250,000+ for the initial seed gift.

Legacy opportunities ensure the longevity of an organization and allows donors to leave their personal mark on the lupus landscape. Bequests, stock gifts, and endowment contributions are only a few of the ways you can participate in the joint fight to end lupus. To discuss your long-term giving goals, please contact the Lupus LA office at (310) 657-5667.

TOGETHER WE CAN PUT AN END TO LUPUS.

THE LEADERSHIP OF LUPUS LA

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For any questions pertaining to this document, please contact the Lupus LA office at (310) 657-5667 or at info@lupusla.org.

“Lupus LA is a wonderful resource for anyone with lupus, or family members of those with lupus, to acquire information and support.”

*- Michelle & Alan Kaye,
Parents of a Lupus Patient and Lupus LA Board Members*



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