

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY STUDENTS WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S ON OCTOBER 9.

More than 6 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's disease – a leading cause of death in the United States. Approximately, 1 in 3 older persons die from dementia, more than breast and prostate cancer combined. Additionally, more than 11 million family members and friends provide care to people living with Alzheimer's and other dementias. In Michigan alone, there are more than 190,000 people living with the disease and 463,000 caregivers.

Western Michigan University (WMU) Students of Occupational Therapy (SOTA) organizations from both Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids are joining the fight to end Alzheimer's by participating in the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's® on October 9, 2021. The Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's is the world's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research. While planning to gather in person, the Alzheimer's Association will continue to offer options to participate in Walk to End Alzheimer's online and in neighborhoods across the country.

For more information and the opportunity to join one of the WMU student teams:

Western Michigan University Kalamazoo SOTA

https://act.alz.org/site/TR?team_id=677588&pg=team&fr_id=14538

Western Michigan Grand Rapids SOTA

https://act.alz.org/site/TR?team_id=678566&pg=team&fr_id=14553



To receive information about other walks throughout Michigan, please visit: alz.org/walk.
Or contact: Amanda Bidinger acbidinger@alz.org

Alzheimer's Association®

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