Let’s Spread **HOPE**

Looking for a **FUN** way to engage your community and help support research of *eosinophil-associated diseases*?

APFED’s Hope on the Horizon Walks do much more than raise critical funds for research – they also bring education and awareness of eosinophil associated diseases to the communities in which they are held.

Volunteers throughout the country organize fundraising walks in their communities to support APFED’s Hope on the Horizon Research Fund. This fund provides grants to allow investigators from a variety of disciplines to initiate new projects relevant to eosinophil associated diseases. Many focus on the development of new ideas which are likely to lead to future external funding to further development of less invasive testing, new treatments and ultimately a cure. You may learn more about the Hope on the Horizon Research Fund on apfed.org.

**What is Needed from Volunteer Walk Chairs?**
- Commit to a date and time
- Choose and secure a Walk Location, such as a park, local school, or other secured area to allow participants to safely walk.
- Form and oversee a volunteer committee to help plan, promote, and execute the walk
- Secure local sponsors
- Follow APFED guidelines for organizing and overseeing event logistics and budget
- Communicate progress to APFED
- Make the event a fun and positive experience for participants!

**What APFED Provides:**
- Online registration and platform option for personal fundraising pages
- Pre-approved fees paid
- Insurance certificate
- Promotion of event through social media channels, newsletters and email blasts.
- Event t-shirts
- One-on-one support throughout the planning and execution of the event
- APFED representative on walk day, if possible

For more information on how to get started, email Julie Forrest, jforrest@apfed.org