



A GIFT OF

Hope

Date

First & Last Name

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Dear <Name>,

Leading Philly Cure HD is a privilege and I, along with the Board want to continue to meet the needs of the over 115 HD clients and families we serve in the Delaware Valley. **One of the greatest joys I receive from being Board Chair is speaking with our clients because they inspire such hope in me.**

Recently, one of our volunteers, Delane, shared “out loud” with me her inspirational story of how she got involved with HD. She told me about Ron, who was a client at the bank where she worked. One day she was on the phone so long with Ron that her boss asked her if she was working late that night because she was meeting Ron for dinner. Well, they did and that dinner led to marriage.

Delane shared that just a few short years after their wedding, Ron’s brother was diagnosed with HD, and they knew Ron’s father also had HD. Their whole family is afflicted, which is the nature of this debilitating, genetic disease. Ron was next.

“Ron started losing his motor skills. Neighbors thought he was drunk. Soon, even eating was hard. One day he choked while eating and never came home from the hospital after that occurrence. The worst thing was that they moved him from the hospital to the nursing home on our wedding anniversary. He died not long after.”

**Because you, a family member or a friend has knowledge of someone who is suffering from the devastating symptoms caused by Huntington’s disease, you can appreciate the value of the services Philly Cure HD provides to our clients.**

Philly Cure HD is a volunteer-run, 501c3 nonprofit organization established in 2011 to support individuals and their families afflicted with HD and to support research in the Delaware Valley Region. **Please consider sharing your story “out loud” this holiday season and honor friends and family with HD, like Delane and Ron, or those you know personally with “A Gift of Hope.”**

Thank you for supporting us with A Gift of Hope this holiday season. Your gift will support local families, our members and help us drive research forward.

Sincerely,

*Susan Arnold*

Susan Arnold  
Board Chair, Philly CURE HD

**“I ALWAYS TELL MYSELF, NO MATTER HOW BAD MY DAY IS, RON’S DAYS WERE MUCH WORSE. I CONTINUE TO BE INVOLVED WITH THE AMAZING PEOPLE AT PHILLY CURE HD AND HOPE YOU WILL TOO. PLEASE SUPPORT OUR CLIENTS AND RESEARCH FOR A CURE FOR HD THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!”**

*Thank you! -Delane*



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