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The Ramp Program assists with funding for the installation of temporary modular ramps for the primary residence of people with ALS living in Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

### To qualify, a person must:

- Have a diagnosis of ALS/PLS/PMA.
- Have no other resources that will cover needed items (e.g. County Assistance, VA, long-term care policy).
- Agree to an evaluation by an ALS Association approved vendor.
- Sign an ALS Association Consent and Release form.

The ALS Association will contact a family regarding their ability to cost share for equipment. The ALS Association will cover a portion of the ramp costs through funding and/or materials for the overall project. The remaining costs will be the responsibility of the person with ALS/family receiving the ramp, as agreed upon following vendor evaluation and program acceptance. Approved payments are made directly to vendors and installers upon receipt of an invoice. Please note that all purchased equipment and components remain the property of The ALS Association.

To ensure fair allocation of resources among all those we serve, the ALS Association cannot contribute funding to a pre-existing project. Additionally, the ALS Association reserves the right to evaluate and pre-approve requests through a virtual home consultation to evaluate the needs and capabilities of a patient's physical status, evaluate the ongoing appropriateness and safety of the patient to use the modification equipment, and/or remove the equipment if deemed unsafe. The ALS Association can reject a project for any reason at its discretion.

#### **Virtual Home Assessment**

Most homes are not designed or constructed to accommodate the needs of people with disabilities in terms of accessibility, safety, independence, and location. The ALS Association offers virtual home safety consultations by a registered Occupational Therapist or Occupational Therapy Assistant to help people with ALS and their families make decisions about the best modifications for accessibility and safety.

#### Who to Contact

To find out more about how the Ramp Program can help you or your loved one, contact <u>homeaccessnct@als.org</u> To apply for the ramp program please fill out this electronic form.