

March 2021 Newsletter





Oscar's Monkey Business




[Mr. Oscar Monkey](#) is a nonprofit organization, founded by Emily Blosberg, that supports children and their families on their journey with MS. Emily graciously navigated the challenges of MS as a teen and is now helping others walking a similar path. Her mission is to connect children and teens with MS from across the world.




 **How did it all start?** - Emily loves to work with her hands. When she was diagnosed with MS at the age of 15, she sewed a sock monkey from a pair of orange hunting socks and named it Oscar.

 **Oscar's Buddies** - Emily makes [Oscar's Buddies](#) to go out into the world to be a friend to anyone that requests one. To date, she has sent almost 500 buddies to families around the world.




 **Oscar's Buddy Bash** - Families living with pediatric MS gather each year on President's Day weekend to share a long weekend of fun, fellowship, stories, education, and laughter.




 **Oscar's Teen MS Camp** - An annual event where teens have fun and build lifelong friendships as they grow and learn together how to beat MS.



 **Just a Phone Call Away** - Emily holds a [Zoom call](#) twice per month for teenagers with MS or a similar diagnosis. She also hosts calls for kids 12 and under whenever there is a need.



 **Looking ahead** - Emily's goal for 2021 is to start a scholarship fund through Mr. Oscar Monkey, offering fifteen \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors.



 **Young Adult Retreat** - An upcoming fellowship opportunity for graduating seniors to connect with each other and remain a part of the Oscar community.



Accelerated Cure Project - Click [here](#) for more information.