Advocate Spotlight



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Chip Tuson is an Advancement Specialist at The Ohio State University Office of Academic Enrichment. He became an advocate after losing his grandfather to Alzheimer's in 2017. After seeing the impact of the disease on him and his loved ones, I knew I had to get involved and do something so that one day no one would have to experience this terrible disease ever again.

I have been volunteering as an advocate since I attended my first Alzheimer's Association National Forum in 2018. Since then, I have met Senator Rob Portman, Representative Steve Stivers, and most recently Representative Mike Carey to share my story and advocate for much-needed research funding and other legislative priorities at the national level. I have been proud to serve as the ambassador for OH-15 since 2019.

When I first began volunteering as an advocate, I didn't believe my work would make a significant difference. But I found such strength in the community of other volunteers and advocates. Together, we have fought for and established, a significant change at the local, state, and national levels. I am so proud to see tangible change in the way we talk about, treat, support, and help those affected by Alzheimer's. I used to think about the fight against Alzheimer's as a battle against loss, but now I look at it as a fight for a better world