



**Slater Memorial Park
401 Newport Ave
Pawtucket, RI
September 6, 2008**

**10am Registration
11am Walk**



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Fast Facts

- **More than 3 million Americans have been diagnosed with Epilepsy**
- **Epilepsy is the third most common neurological disorder in the United States**
- **Epilepsy has a higher prevalence than ALS, Parkinson's and M.S. combined.**
- **In Rhode Island alone there are more than 18,000 people living with epilepsy.**

What is epilepsy?

Epilepsy is a disorder of the brain that sometimes makes people have seizures. The seizures can cause a temporary change in the electronic function of the brain, which can affect a person's awareness, movement, or sensations.

What is a seizure?

Brain cells are constantly communicating with each other using tiny electrical signals. When there is a glitch in this electronic activity, it can cause a seizure. There are many different types of seizures. Some can make you fall and shake, others make you stare into space, act confused, or have convulsions. Seizures can affect the entire brain or just a small part of it.

"Hope is not a dream, but a way of making dreams reality."

-Anonymous



HOPE

The 2nd Annual Walk to HOPE is held each year in Rhode Island to help the Foundation raise money for Epilepsy Awareness, Education, Support Groups, Research, Advocacy initiatives and increase Epilepsy Awareness throughout the state.

This year the Foundation celebrates 25 years of service to all of Rhode Island and Massachusetts and are looking to expand our services to New Hampshire and Maine.

"The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step."

- Lao Tzu, Chinese Philosopher

