



# THE FARA ENERGY BALL™

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**Sponsorship Opportunities**

October 17, 2026

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# FARA Energy Ball 2026

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# THE FARA ENERGY BALL EXPERIENCE

## Sponsorship Opportunities

### **\$75,000 Presenting Sponsor**

Can Help Sustain the FA Global  
Clinical Consortium (FA GCC)

In 2023, FARA launched the **Friedreich's Ataxia Global Clinical Consortium** (FA GCC), which expanded the number of clinical research sites from the existing 15 to 30+ sites. The FA GCC is an international group of clinical research centers that work together to advance treatments and clinical care for individuals with Friedreich's ataxia.

This consortium growth helps:

- Create a robust dataset with diverse representation that enhances the statistical power and reliability of our findings and informs clinical trial design.
- Facilitate patient recruitment and increased participation in clinical trials.
- Accelerate development and access to therapies.
- Improve the transfer of knowledge through shared expertise of leading global experts.



### **\$50,000 Breakthrough Sponsor**

Can Help Support an Investigator at the FA Research Lab Bench  
for a Year



Since FARA's founding, one of the key priorities has been to grow the research field with smart, passionate and innovative scientists. FARA funded 23 new grants in 2025. FARA grants include salary support for researchers such as lab technicians, graduate students, PhD candidates and post-doctoral fellows for their time at the lab bench carrying out experiments to answer key questions about FA and approaches to treatment.

This work leads to enhanced understanding and meaningful breakthroughs for FA.

# THE FARA ENERGY BALL EXPERIENCE

## Sponsorship Opportunities

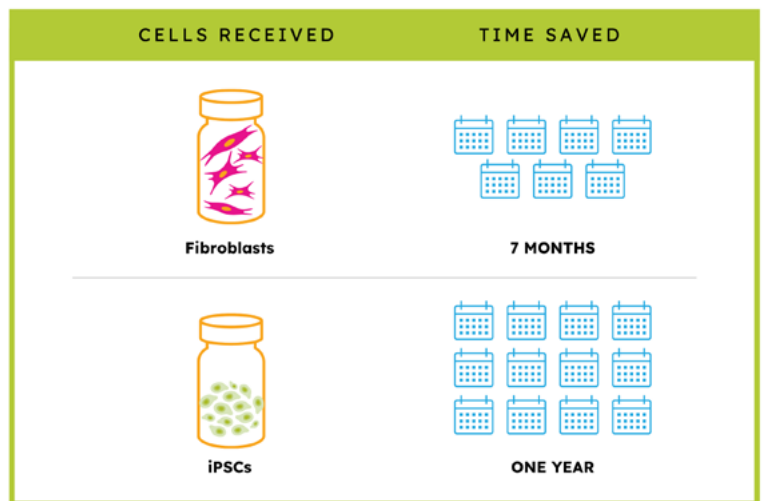
### **\$25,000 Capacity Builder**

Can Help Develop Resources That Expedite Research and Support Patient Care

(E.g.. Clinical Management Guidelines, FA Cell Line Repository)

FARA has identified the need for tools and resources that support patient care and build research capacity. One project is the continuous updating of the Clinical Management Guidelines in FA. These guidelines include best practice clinical management of the disease and are assembled by experts in the field. This resource ensures people with FA get care based on current information about the disease.

FARA also provides funding for the creation, curation, and maintenance of the FA Cell Line Repository, which houses numerous characterized FA and control cell lines that are available to the research community. These resources save researchers on average 7 months to one year.



### **\$15,000 Technology Innovator**

Can Help Support Biomarker Study Visit for 10 Patients



FARA is funding several different types of biomarker studies which provide a window inside the activity of tissue and cells in FA. Biomarker studies include brain and spinal cord imaging, cardiac assessment, blood based biomarker and wearable devices.

These are innovative ways to measure changes in the disease with cutting edge technology. They not only provide insight into the disease process but may also allow for shorter clinical trial duration.

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## Sponsorship Opportunities

**\$10,000 Groundbreaker**  
Can Help Support Natural History  
Study Visits for 10 Patients

Due to the ongoing support from Energy Ball donors and participation from the patient community, FARA is able to **invest in groundbreaking natural history clinical research.**

The UNIFAI study collects natural history data and improves the panel of outcome measures that can be used in FA clinical trials. Participation in this study allow researchers to collect over 1,000 data points at each visit that help accelerate the development of treatments for FA. Funding from FARA helps offset the costs of travel and testing.



### UNIFAI BY THE NUMBERS



UNIFAI BRINGS TOGETHER DATA SPANNING  
**5** continents, **15** countries, and **34** participating sites



1400 FA PARTICIPANTS



20 YEARS



80,000+ DATA POINTS



# THE FARA ENERGY BALL EXPERIENCE

## Sponsorship Recognition

### **\$75,000 Presenting Sponsor**

(FMV: \$7125)

- Priority seating for 20 guests at the Energy Ball (two reserved tables)
- Fifteen guest invitations to the Patron Party
- Verbal and logo recognition as a Presenting Sponsor during the Energy Ball
- Logo displayed on mobile bidding screens during the Energy Ball Auction
- Premium logo placement on event website, invitation\*, and the program booklet

### **\$50,000 Breakthrough Sponsor**

(FMV: \$3750)

- Priority seating for ten guests at the Energy Ball (one reserved table)
- Ten guest invitations to the Patron Party
- Verbal and logo recognition as a Breakthrough Sponsor during the Energy Ball
- Logo displayed on mobile bidding screens during the Energy Ball Auction
- Logo on event website, invitation\*, and the program booklet

### **\$25,000 Capacity Builder**

(FMV: \$3600)

- Priority seating for ten guests at the Energy Ball (one reserved table)
- Eight guest invitations to the Patron Party
- Logo recognition as a Capacity Builder during the Energy Ball
- Logo on event website, invitation\*, and the program booklet

### **\$15,000 Technology Innovator**

(FMV: \$3300)

- Table for ten guests at the Energy Ball (one reserved table)
- Four guest invitations to the Patron Party
- Logo recognition as a Technology Innovator during the Energy Ball
- Logo on event website, invitation\*, and the program booklet

### **\$10,000 Groundbreaker**

(FMV: \$3150)

- Table for ten guests at the Energy Ball (one reserved table)
- Two guest invitations to the Patron Party
- Logo recognition as a Groundbreaker during the Energy Ball
- Logo on event website, invitation\*, and the program booklet

### **\$7,500 Table Sponsorship**

(FMV: \$3000)

- Table for ten guests at the Energy Ball (one reserved table)
- Name recognition on event website and the program booklet

### **\$750 Individual Guest** at the Energy Ball

(FMV: \$300)

\* Invitation print deadline for name and/or logo: **Friday, May 29, 2026**

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(Select one)

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**\$7,500**

**\$25,000\***

**\$750** guest ticket

**\$15,000\***

(# of tickets \_\_\_\_\_)

**\$** \_\_\_\_\_

\* INVITATION PRINT DEADLINE for NAME and/or LOGO (GROUNDBREAKER and above)

**Friday, May 29, 2026**

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