CANCER SUPPORT

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NEWSLETTER / CALENDAR

A Place for People Impacted by Cancer



MISSION: To ensure that all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action, and sustained by community to enhance their overall well-being.

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT Maggie Rieber

When Cancer Changes Your World

I was diagnosed with Mesothelioma in 2015. So many things changed when I was diagnosed at 35 years of age. I lost the career that I had worked so hard for and I felt very isolated. I had to leave St. Louis for my treatment, so it took a while to find Cancer Support Community. Now that I found CSC I'm hooked!

Initially I started attending a support group to talk to others who were living with cancer. Now I also find myself trying the movement classes, education workshops and social programs. Through the multiple programs at CSC I now feel like I have a community surrounding me and I have discovered new passions. CSC has really treated me as a whole person.

Visit our facility in Des Peres Square at: 1058 Old Des Peres Road, St. Louis, MO 63131



THE WHOLE FAMILY, THE WHOLE TIME

Cancer Support Community of Greater St. Louis is proud to introduce Families Connect: A program for children and teens who are impacted by cancer in the family. Funding for this program is provided by The Saigh Foundation and Cardinals Care.

Families Connect Monthly Group - RSVP

First Tuesdays, July 2, August 6, September 3 • 6:00-8:00 PM Families Connect is a program for the whole family when a parent, grandparent, or adult relative has cancer. A family support group is held while the children and teens (ages 5-18) meet for equal parts support and fun! **RSVP by NOON the Monday prior to each group!**

Special Families Connect

Tuesday, September 3 Susie McGaughey will facilitate a night of Art Therapy!



Family Yoga in the Park - RSVP

Thursday, July 11 • 6:30-7:30PM Sugar Creek Park 435 Des Peres Rd.

Lisa Roberts, RYT, RCYT and author of *Breathe, Chill - A Handy Book of Games and Techniques Introducing Breathing, Relaxation and Meditation to Kids and Teens* will guide children and families in practicing wellness in fun and interesting ways. Class will be held at CSC if needed due to weather.



Family, Food, and Fun! - RSVP Wednesday, July 24 • 6:30-7:30 PM

Teaching artist and foodie Maria Ojascastro will guide kids and their parents, step by step, to create a nutritious and delicious family friendly meal inspired by the changing season.

SOCIALCONNECTIONS



Stay tuned for Pop Up Programs throughout the summer!





A Board Certified Music Therapist helps participants (children and teens diagnosed with cancer, as well as those who have a family member with cancer) to express their feelings that they then convert into songs. Attendees receive the recording on CD! No prior musical experience needed!

Call 314–238–2000 to schedule your appointment! This program is in collaboration with Maryville University's fully accredited music therapy program in the School of Health Professions.

SUPPORT GROUPS

The following support groups are open to individuals ages 18 and older and require a short preparation meeting in advance. Call 314-238-2000 to schedule.

WEEKLY SUPPORT GROUPS FOR CANCER PATIENTS offer people with a cancer diagnosis who are in active treatment an opportunity to share thoughts, feelings, and information. Together, group participants experience warmth, understanding, support, and learn how to manage stress. Morning, afternoon and evening groups are available.

TWICE MONTHLY SUPPORT GROUP FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

offers those supporting a person with cancer the opportunity to discuss common issues. Together family, friends and caregivers learn new ways to cope with their individual stress as well as ways to support their loved ones living with cancer. An Evening group is available.

TWICE MONTHLY CANCER BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUPS

are offered day and evening and are open to any caregiver who has lost a loved one to cancer in the past 18 months. Morning and evening groups are available.

All Support and Networking Groups are free, led by licensed facilitators, and funded in part with generous donations from the St. Louis Men's Group Against Cancer, Gertrude & William A. Bernoudy Foundation, Saigh Foundation, Lung Cancer Connection and the Arenberg Family. Groups are not open for observation at any time and are only for people with a cancer diagnosis and, where indicated, their loved ones.

NETWORKING GROUPS

These are drop-in groups (except where otherwise indicated) designed for attendees with similar diagnoses or life situations (such as single during treatment) to meaningfully connect with others and share information helpful on the cancer journey. Family and friends are welcome to attend where indicated.

BEREAVEMENT MONTHLY GROUP - RSVP

First Thursday each month (No July Group) • 6:30 – 8:00 PM

This group is a place for adults and their family members to connect with others who are dealing with the loss of a friend or family member from cancer. This group includes dinner. *This group is made possible by Missouri Baptist Healthcare foundation.*

BRAIN TUMOR MONTHLY GROUP

Fourth Thursday each month • 6:30 – 8:30 PM

A caring environment to learn about and discuss issues associated with brain cancer: memory, cognitive losses and challenges, communication, and the impact on family. Family and friends welcome.

BREAST CANCER MONTHLY GROUP - RSVP

Second Wednesday each month this Quarter • 5:30 – 7:00 PM David C Pratt Cancer Center, Suite 1440, John Krey Cancer Information Center, Mercy Hospital, 607 S. New Ballas Rd, 63141

An educational and emotionally safe group, in collaboration with Mercy, for women newly diagnosed, survivors, along with female family and friends.

GYNECOLOGICAL CANCERS MONTHLY GROUP Third Monday each month • 6:30 – 8:00 PM

An active, nurturing support group that shares information and discusses pertinent issues such as nutrition, coping skills, fear of recurrence, intimacy challenges, and genetic concerns. For women newly diagnosed and survivors, female family and friends.

LUNG CANCER MONTHLY GROUP Second Thursday each month • 6:00 – 7:30 PM



Mercy

The group provides a nurturing environment to learn about and discuss coping skills, disease management, and quality of life during and after treatment. *Made possible by a generous donation from its sponsor, Lung Cancer Connection.*

LUNG CANCER MONTHLY GROUP Third Tuesday each month • 1:00 – 2:30 PM



Mercy South Cancer Care Center, 10010 Kennerly Rd., 63128

The group gives people with lung cancer and/ortheir friends and family members the opportunity to share resources, ideas tomanage side effects, and an opportunity to get and give support to others.

METASTATIC CANCER MONTHLY GROUP

First Wednesday each month • 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Living with metastatic cancer presents several unique experiences that are explored in this monthly group including living with uncertainty, maintenance treatment, and managing your health and long term side effects.

MULTIPLE MYELOMA MONTHLY GROUP

Second Tuesday each month • 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

St. Louis University Hospital, West Pavilion 3655 Vista Avenue, Room 3302

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Connect with other people with multiple myeloma and their family to learn about the unique experience of living with this diagnosis.

ANN ARENBERG PANCREATIC CANCER MONTHLY GROUP

Fourth Monday each month • NOON – 1:30 PM

Attendees exchange stories, treatment tips, and share concerns about quality of life, intensity of diagnosis, nutritional issues, and other effects of pancreatic cancer. Family and friends welcome.

PROSTATE CANCER MONTHLY GROUP Mercy

First Thursday each month (No July Group) • 6:30 – 8:00 PM David C Pratt Cancer Center, Suite 1440, Conference Room, Mercy Hospital, 607 S. New Ballas Rd, 63141

This group features speakers and follow-up discussions on important topics such as treatment options, quality of life, incontinence, intimacy concerns, and fear of recurrence. *This group is part of the UsTOO Prostate Cancer Education & Support Network.*

NEXT STEPS MONTHLY GROUP



CANCER CENTER

Third Monday each month • 6:30 – 8:00 PM David C Pratt Cancer Center, Suite 1440, John Krey Cancer Information Center, Mercy Hospital, 607 S. New Ballas Rd, 63141

Many cancer survivors say that they felt they had lots of support during their treatment, but once treatment ended, it was hard to make a transition to a new way of life. This monthly group helps work through new feelings, new problems and a different perspective.

WORKSHOPS

= WORKSHOPS LOCATED OFF-SITE = RSVP REQUIRED

Movement Classes are listed on page 6

Empowered by Knowledge **EDUCATION**

New Member Meetings – RSVP

First Fridays, (No July session) August 2, September 6 • 10:00 – 11:00 AM Third Wednesdays, July 17, Aug. 21, Sept. 18 • 6:30 – 7:30 PM

This introduction to CSC allows people with cancer, their family and friends, and the bereaved an opportunity to explore our homelike environment, discover our programs, and connect with others looking to be empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action, and sustained by community.

A Transition to Survivorship Series - RSVP Third Thursdays • 6:30 – 8:00 PM

July 18 • Survivorship Planning August 15 • Medication Management September 19 • Nutrition

This education series is an opportunity to connect with others and learn to move toward wellness in mind, body and spirit. Eligibility: These sessions target people who have completed active treatment.

Finding Meaning in Survivorship - RSVP Tuesdays, July 9 - August 27 • 10:00 - 11:30 AM

This 7-week group, inspired by the work of Viktor Frankl explores creating, experiencing, and choosing meaning after cancer treatment. Through group discussion and personal reflection, the group will explore how history, choices, work, and experiences give meaning to life after cancer treatments. For the best experience, please commit to 6 out of 7 sessions. Eligibility-these sessions target people who have completed active treatment.

Frankly Speaking About Lung Cancer - RSVP Tuesday, July 16 • 1:00-2:30 PM

Location: Mercy South Cancer Care Center, 10010 Kennerly Rd., 63128 Rd., 63128

This workshop will provide information about the most current treatments available to individuals affected by lung cancer. Pam Lynn, MSN, RN, ANP-BC and Kelly O'Neal, LCSW, will discuss developments in lung cancer treatment, strategies for side-effect management, and ways to overcome the social and emotional challenges of the diagnosis.

Frankly Speaking About Ovarian Cancer - RSVP Wednesday, September 18 • 6:00 – 8:00PM



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The Cancer Support Community invites people affected by ovarian cancer to this workshop that provides fundamental information about the most current ovarian cancer treatments, strategies for symptom/side-effect management and tools for survivorship. Presentation by Dr. David Mutch, Oncologist and Dannielle Hodges, MSW, LCSW, Dinner in the kitchen from 6:00-6:30. This presentation will also be offered on Facebook Live.

In an effort to keep our workshops free, we require that you update your visitor form once a year.

Strengthened by Action HEALTHY LIFESTYLE & STRESS MANAGEMENT

Miss Mary's Healthy Kitchen Programs These classes are provided by The McClanathan Family Foundation.

Picnic Favorites with STL Veg Girl, Caryn Dugan - RSVP Thursday, July 11 • NOON – 2:00 PM

Celebrate summer with an avocado and white bean wrap, caesar salad, and "chicken" salad pitas.

Seasonal Cuisine - RSVP

Thursday, September 12 • NOON – 2:00 PM

Join Vicki Bensinger as she works with the flavors of the season to create some healthy summertime dishes!

Weaving Wellness – RSVP

Second Mondays, July 8, Aug. 12, Sept. 9 • 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Imagine you could surround yourself with the feelings, colors, scents and sounds of the world that bring you comfort and soothe your soul. Through this project you can. Using textile materials like yarn and fabric you will weave unique reminders of those things that help you to feel well. If you return for the 2nd or 3rd session in this series, you'll turn your weaving into a special comfort object for your home. Come to one session or all three!

Stress Management Workshop

Mercv Second Tuesdays, July 9, Aug. 13, Sept. 10 • 1:00 – 2:30 PM Location: Mercy South Cancer Care Center, 10010 Kennerly Rd., 63128

Feeling stressed out? Join me for a session of coping with anxiety and quieting your mind through breathing exercises, progressive muscle relaxation, guided imagery, creative journaling...wherever the moment takes us!

Mindfulness Practice: Managing Stress with Present Moment Awareness – RSVP Second Thursdays, July 11, Aug. 8, Sept. 12 • 4:00 – 5:30 PM

Learn to relax and stay in the moment using mindfulness meditations. Each session will include information, strategies for integrating mindfulness into your day, and a practice. Open to anyone affected by cancer (patients, family and friends, bereaved).

Laughter Yoga with Marlene - RSVP Friday, July 12 • 12:30 - 1:45 PM

Marlene Chertok, RN BSN, has been laughing for fifteen years as a way to reduce the stress of her own cancer diagnosis. Now she shares the aerobic and playful form of exercise with members. Laughter is good medicine!

Energy 101: Balance Your Body's Energies - RSVP Third Mondays, July 15, Aug. 19, Sept. 16 • 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Learn to balance your body's energies for optimal health. This class originated with Healing Touch concepts and has expanded to include other modalities like Eden Energy Medicine, Meridian Tapping, Breath work and Meditation as examples. All are focused to promote relaxation, relieve pain, decrease anxiety tension and stress, and to promote healing. Useful for self-care or the care of a loved one.

Sanctuary - **RSVP**

Third Thursdays, July 18, Aug. 15, Sept. 19 • 6:00 – 7:15 PM

Mark Biehl, Certified Sound Therapy Coach, hosts this blissful journey with offerings of Tibetan singing bowls, gongs, chimes, indigenous flutes, drums, and keyboard atmospheres. Elements of breath work, guided reading, and group chanting are also featured to enhance and direct your experience to a higher level.

Writers Workshop: What I really want to say... Wednesdays beginning on August 7 • 1:30 – 3:30 PM

Writers Workshop at Cancer Support Community is a supported, facilitated writing group utilizing writing to focus on expressing ourselves inspiring others as we inspire ourselves. Each week we take the time to settle, breathe and come together supporting one another, creating a bond through our written and spoken expression. Our group is life affirming, positive and optimistic. Participants are encouraged to write and share through prompts their present journey, how they have become resilient, their hopes and dreams for today. Any and all writing is welcome. Many participants choose to write about their cancer journey. Come claim your voice through writing as we join together in a safe, non-judgmental space where we can encourage each other to FLY!

Young Adult Night: Pastel Palette and Introduction to Drawing - RSVP Wednesday, August 7 • 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Between the ages of 18 and 40ish? Join Artist Jessica Eschen-Goodman, who will teach an introduction to drawing with pastels. No experience or "artistic ability" required. Come learn, enjoy and share in this art practice. Supplies will be provided.

Creative Journaling - RSVP

Wednesday, August 14 • 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Join us for collaging, journaling, and creativity! Each session will encourage participants to explore their inner peace and happiness while completing creative art projects and writing exercises. No experience or artistic talent necessary!

The Power of Mindfulness: A Deeper Look - RSVP Three Consecutive Tuesdays, September 10, 17, 24

10:00 AM – NOON (Please commit to all 3 sessions) David C. Pratt Cancer Center, Conference Room, Mercy Hospital, 607 S. New Ballas Rd, 63141

Curious about mindfulness and meditation, but unsure how to get started in developing your own practice? Join Kathy Bearman, LCSW, to explore the realms of mindfulness and meditation. This 3-week series will provide information on the benefits of mindfulness and meditation for the body and brain, allow you to experience and participate in mindfulness exercises, breathing meditations, and guided imageries, and will offer tips to help you establish your personal practice and skills to reduce stress and increase the experience of peace and well-being in your life.

Garden Thyme

Jeanne Carbone, Therapeutic Horticulture Instructor, from Missouri Botanical Garden will guide activities helping us intentionally experience community in our very own Inspiration Garden.

Herb Bounty – RSVP Wednesday, July 17 • 11:00AM – 12:30 PM

Harvesting from our Inspiration Garden, we will explore the wonderful world of herbs. We will create an herbal vinegar and lavender sachet. We will also discuss harvesting and drying herbs throughout the season and how to make the best use of an herbal garden.

Nature Journaling at the Garden – RSVP Tuesday, September 17 • 5:30 – 7:30 PM Location: Missouri Botanical Garden 4344 Shaw Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63110

With the Missouri Botanical Garden as our inspiration, we will practice a variety of techniques designed to increase our appreciation and connection with nature. Journals will be created from recycled material before we explore areas of the Garden.



Sustained by Community SOCIAL PROGRAMS

Men's Breakfast - RSVP



First Tuesdays, July 2, August 6, September 3 • 9:30 – 11:00 AM Mercy South Cancer Care Center 10010 Kennerly Rd., 63128

Join us for a social hour to discuss weekend games, current events, and connect with other men affected by cancer! Food and coffee will be provided.

Communi-Tea Time

Daily • 11:00AM – NOON

Come in before or after workshops for refreshments and good company in the beautiful community garden. It's a great place for conversation or quiet contemplation.

Book Club: Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens - RSVP

Wednesday, July 31 • 10:30 AM – NOON Do you love to read and socialize? If so, join us for Book Club!

Card Making - RSVP

Thursday, August 1 • 10:00 AM – NOON

Join Judy Geodeker in creating beautifully crafted cards for all occasions! Supplies will be provided.

Craft Connection - RSVP

Thursday, August 22• 6:30 – 8:00 PM Learn new card making techniques with volunteers, Rhonda Travers and Linda Schreier. Participants will create several unique cards each time! Both beginners and experienced crafters welcome.

Paper Crafts - RSVP

Thursday, September 5 • 10:00 AM – NOON

Julie Stumph will lead members in creating paper craft art-cards, gift bags or decorative tags! Supplies will be provided.



MOVEMENT CLASSES

Please note: For the safety of everyone, if you are attending a CSC movement class please arrive promptly at designated class start time (or earlier if possible). Thank you!

Thanks for the Dance (The Nia Technique) Mondays - 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM (New Time!)

Nia is an expressive fitness and movement program which combines the concentration of Tai Chi, the poses of Yoga, the power of Marital Arts, and the fun and grace of dance to stay fit and enhance well-being.

Chair Yoga Second Thursday of the month • 6:00 – 7:00 PM - RSVP

Using a chair for support, this yoga practice is accessible to everybody. Chair yoga is beneficial for increasing mobility, flexibility and stress reduction.

Yoga (see yoga listing below for times and locations) Through rhythmic breathing, gentle stretching and mental focus, participants can learn to ease physical and emotional tension. These classes are for any of our members at any level of performance and physical condition. Drop in-no reservation necessary. *Yoga supported in part with a generous donation from Ameren.*

Country Line Dancing Thursdays • 2:30 – 3:30 PM Line dancing can give you a great mind-body workout. This dance requires you to remember dance steps and sequences, boosting brain power by improving memory skills. Thank you Sheila Glazer and Bonnie Murray-Reigle for the gift of this class.

Restorative Movement Fourth Thursday of the month 6:00 – 7:00 PM – **RSVP**

Join Kate Walsh in movement focused on improving balance, strength and bone health. Kate starts with yoga and moves beyond! Equipment provided at CSC.

Zumba! Fridays • 9:30 – 10:30 AM This aerobic dance offering is guaranteed to bust through any blues! Lively, contemporary music gets the energy rocking as you learn a variety of dance moves from various cultures. Take it slow or shake your booty, but join us for this program of fun and fitness!

Qigong Fridays • 11:00 AM – NOON Through gentle movements, learn to reduce stress, increase vitality and develop a sense of well being. Comfortable clothing and physician approval recommended. No experience necessary.

YOGA LOCATIONS:

Yoga supported in part with a generous donation from Ameren.

Cancer Support Community

1058 Old Des Peres Rd. • St. Louis, MO 63131 Tuesdays • 10:00 – 11:00 AM Wednesdays • 9:30 – 10:30 AM & 5:15 – 6:15 PM

SLU Cancer Center Free parking for yoga attendees. Fridays • NOON – 1:00 PM

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TRIBUTE GIFTS

Thank you for recognizing someone special while helping CSC change the lives of cancer patients and their families. The following reflects tribute gifts received from January 1, 2019 through March 31, 2019. We apologize for any omissions or errors.

JIM AND GINNY CLARK Jane Peyton

Mary Ann Williams

Larry and Joan Price Shirley Wadleigh

DANIEL PATRICK LINDSAY Jan and Jeff Dicke

Richard Levey and Susie Knopf

Sharon and Barry Friedman

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KENNET COHEN Marjorie Brammeier

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STEVE HAMBURGER Ruthy Kolker

MARTY AND MERLE OBERMAN Rick and Deby Halpern

TASHIA REIGLE Mary Lee Holdman

IN MEMORY OF:

RACHAEL BACON Catherine Floit

JASON BRIGHTFIELD Corinne Austin Jessica Deem David Gutwein

Give Gifts with Meaning

Tribute donations to Cancer Support Community are a thoughtful way to honor or memorialize someone or to celebrate a special occasion in the life of a friend, family member or colleague while supporting cancer patients, survivors and their families. We will send a photo greeting card to notify that special someone of your kind donation. Your tax-deductible contribution helps fund our free programs and services for those facing a cancer diagnosis in our community.

HERE'S HOW:

Direct Payment: Online at www.cancersupportstl.org, Make checks payable to Cancer Support Community and mail with relevant information to Cancer Support Community, 1058 Old Des Peres Rd., Saint Louis, MO 63131. You may also call 314-238-2000 and make a tribute gift using a credit card.

Tribute gifts are processed a minimum of once a week and are tax deductible. Gifts of \$25 or more are published in Cancer Support Community's quarterly newsletter. Due to administrative costs, a minimum donation of \$10 per tribute is requested.



Leave Your Lasting Legacy

Another great way to pay tribute to yourself and Cancer Support Community is to help ensure our future.

- Including a charitable bequest in your will is a simple way to make a lasting gift to Cancer Support Community of Greater St. Louis. You can leave a bequest to CSC by adding to an existing will, or drafting a new one.
- Gift a life insurance policy for a set amount or a percentage to Cancer Support Community of Greater St. Louis.
- Simply name Cancer Support Community of Greater St. Louis as a beneficiary of your IRA, retirement, or pension plan. An IRA Charitable Rollover is another timely, and often more tax-efficient giving option for individuals age 70-1/2 and older who still need to make a required minimum distribution from a traditional IRA.

For more information about how your legacy gift can benefit Cancer Support Community, please contact us at 314-238-2000. We also recommend that you consult with your tax advisor or planning professional.

TRIBUTE PATH SIGNS

In honor of those who purchased a **Tribute Path Sign** for our Steps For Hope walk. We know how meaningful it is to see the actual signs lining the walk path, but given our circumstances, we are commemorating these tributes here in our newsletter and with a <u>Virtual Path</u> on our website. Thank you for your understanding.

IN HONOR OF:

CSC STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS Ann Tucker

PROSTATE CANCER NETWORKING GROUP Tina Saunders

TEAM SISTERS Sharon Clark

TEAM TUCKER #AWESOME Ann Tucker

SUSAN ARENBERG Steve Arenberg

NANCY CRIPPS Peggy Sievers Fagen

LENNY KOMEN Marty and Chris Newman

BRYAN MILLER Mary Edwards Robert and Jane Feibel Leslie Scoopmire

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PEGGY NELSON Jan and Jeff Dicke Marian Hirsch Bob and Joyce Lewis James and Janet Nelson Mary Strom Dan Weinstein

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WALK. RUN. INSPIRE.

Thank you to all who support and help us inspire!

We appreciate the generosity of our **32** sponsors, **countless** in-kind donors, and over **700** people who had planned to join us for a day of community at our Steps for Hope walk at Creve Coeur Park on May 4th. We know you share in our regret that we were unable to come together and celebrate our Community at the Walk this year. However, we celebrate our Community every single day.

Your contributions are still **making a difference in our community**. Your donations are exactly where they need to be - in the St. Louis area providing support and hope to families on their cancer journey. Your support allows us to offer **10,000 hours** of support groups, educational workshops, stress management classes and more to the **1,829 individuals** that walk through our doors in search of **HOPE**.

For those who purchased a **Tribute Path Sign**, we know how meaningful it is to see the actual signs lining the walk path, but given our circumstances, we are commemorating these special tributes with a Virtual Path on our website and in this newsletter – see page 11.

THANK YOU again for your amazing support not just on Walk day, but all the other 364 days a year your donations help us take on cancer together—we are grateful!



THANK YOU TO OUR WALK SPONSORS



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SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR MATCH DAY SPONSOR: Ann and Paul Arenberg Family

WHAT OTHERS ARE DOING FOR CSC

Jeans BeCause

Daniel and Henry associates had an opportunity to make a donation in order to wear jeans for a day at work. A big thank you to their participating staff for their generous contributions that help fund the programs at CSC.



Trivia

Shannon Hoelscher, a dedicated member and 4-year cancer survivor, generously hosted a blast from the past trivia event! Fun was had by all with themed rounds of trivia, a silent auction, and great raffle prizes! Over \$7,000 was raised all benefiting the programs and services offered by Cancer Support Community. A huge thank you to Shannon, her team, and everyone who attended this fabulous event, for your support.



School Support

The National Honor Society from Oakville High School raised over \$2,000

for the members at Cancer Support Community! Their fundraising efforts included Dine to Donate at Panera, Dollar Delay, and Taping the Principals to the wall fundraiser. We are so grateful for the staff and students who contributed and made this possible!

We want to thank everyone from **Glenridge Elementary School** who participated in their Crazy Hair Day and raised **\$500** for CSC! We love your creative fundraising efforts and appreciate your support!



Host A Fundraiser!

Hosting a fundraiser is a fun and unique way to give back to Cancer Support Community! Invite your employees, friends, family and colleagues to learn more about CSC and have fun at our facility or the venue of your choice.

Here are a few ways you can fundraise for CSC:

- Throw a party—a cook-out or "Cocktails for a Cause" and ask for donations
- Host a game night (trivia, cards, board games, etc.) and request an admission donation
- Set a fitness goal (i.e., a distance to bike, run or swim) and ask friends and family to sponsor
- Ask your employer to host a "jeans day" and collect donations from co-workers who want to wear jeans
- Have a garage sale and donate proceeds

The possibilities are endless!

If you are interested in planning an event to benefit CSC, please contact Amanda Corcoran, Development and Communications Manager, at **acorcoran@cancersupportstl.org**.

HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT CSC

There are many unique and thoughtful ways to contribute to our mission and help us take on cancer together! Consider utilizing one of these other giving opportunities and help us continue to provide critical programs – available for anyone impacted by cancer.

1. Monthly Giving

Consider making your gift last all year long by giving monthly! Once you've decided how much you want to give; no further action is required. Your donation will appear on your credit card statement each month. It's affordable, convenient, and your gift goes further.

2. Legacy giving (see page 10)

Help ensure our future! There are many planned gift arrangements, including; a charitable bequest, gifting a life insurance policy, or simply naming Cancer Support Community of Greater St. Louis as a beneficiary of your IRA, retirement, or pension plan.

3. Stock gifts

By directly gifting appreciated securities, you can make a more generous contribution than you might with cash. In addition, you may get an income tax deduction for the value of the donated stock.

4. Matching gifts

Double the impact of your gift! Check with your company to see if they offer a matching gift program. Most offer a dollar for dollar match.

5. Amazon Smiles

Give back while you shop! Select Cancer Support Community of Greater St. Louis on your Amazon account and when you shop at AmazonSmile, they will donate 0.5% of your purchase to CSC.

6. Schnucks eScript

Shop to fundraise! Pick up your My Schnucks Card at your local store and register your card online with our Group ID 500821315. Use your eScript card every time you shop for groceries and Schnucks will donate up to 3% of your purchase to CSC.

7. Support Our Events

Events, such as our annual Steps for Hope walk, provide a significant source of funding for our programs. Visit our event pages to learn about sponsorship opportunities, how you can register, donate, and more.

8. Celebrate Your Birthday

Celebrate your birthday with us! Let your friends and family know that instead of a traditional gift you would like them to help you take on cancer together by making a donation to Cancer Support Community.

9. Wedding Favors

On your special day, ask guests to make a contribution in honor of your marriage to Cancer Support Community. You can also pay tribute to your guests long after the "I do's" by making a donation in their honor.

10. DIY Fundraiser

(see page 14)

Many individuals host Do It Yourself Fundraising Events (i.e. trivia nights, dine out nights, shop for a cause, garage sales, bake sales, etc.) throughout the year to help raise funds for our programs. Check out page 14 for more creative fundraising ideas.

11. In Kind Gifts

In Kind Gifts are items used on a daily basis or are a special need at Cancer Support Community for our programs and program participants. Items needed include: Coffee, Tea, Creamer, Sweeteners, Paper Towel, Kleenex, gift cards, and more.

12. Invite Us Out

Help us spread the word about our programs! We welcome the opportunity to speak at health fairs, community events, organizations, your group's next meeting, etc. so we can let people know who we are and how we can help.

13. Volunteer

Give your time! Volunteers are an invaluable part of the Cancer Support Community. There are many opportunities to get involved and to meet people like yourself who want to help local families living with cancer.



Open to Options[™]

supports you as you identify important questions about your survivorship and concerns based upon your personal needs.

This program will help you identify and organize your questions for your doctor, communicate in an organized manner with your medical team, and make decisions that best fit your personal desires and goals.

Call Kelly O'Neal, MSW, LCSW (314-238-2000, Ext. 230) for appointment.

CANCER EXPERIENCE REGISTRY

Participating is easy. There are only two steps:

- 1. Visit **www.CancerExperienceRegistry.org** to sign up for the Cancer Experience Registry
- 2. Answer a set of survey questions and provide updates on a yearly basis

Help change the cancer experience for the millions of people who live with cancer every day. Encourage people you know who have been diagnosed with cancer to register now at www.cancerexperienceregistry.org/join/CSCStLouis.

Together, we can make a difference!



JOIN, GIVE. ACT.





If you are impacted by cancer, you will find a Community here ready to take on cancer together. When you call, you will talk to a social worker who works with you to schedule a time to meet individually or in our monthly New Member Orientation. On your first visit, you will have the opportunity to create your own wellness plan based on your needs, tour our space and learn about the many ways our members find support through professionally led support groups, education, healthy lifestyle and stress management workshops and social activities. We also have programs for the whole family, the whole time, when a child under 18 is affected by parents or grandparents with cancer.