



2023 Impact Report



New England

thank you

Dear Friends,

We sincerely appreciate your ongoing support as we continue improving the lives of people with cancer and their families. The American Cancer Society is the only organization combating cancer through advocacy, research, and patient support. Together we have had 110 years of wins, and the impact of our work this year is profound.

According to our annual Cancer Facts and Figures report, for the first time there will be more than 2 million new cases of cancer diagnosed in the U.S. and there is an alarming rise in the number of young adults being diagnosed with cancer. This is daunting news, but fortunately more lives are being saved thanks to the incredible advances in cancer treatment, prevention, screening, and outreach. We need to continue in this direction to help ensure that everyone has the opportunity to prevent, detect, treat, and survive cancer and ultimately end cancer as we know it, for everyone.

People facing cancer and their families are at the heart of our mission. The American Cancer Society currently touches 55 million lives annually through our essential patient support programs and services. Our trained specialists provide support to more than 250,000 people each year through our 24/7 helpline, and our website receives more than 130 million visits annually. We continue to remove barriers to care by providing free rides to treatment and a free place to stay for people with cancer and their caregivers when treatment is far from home.

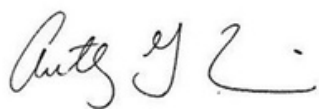
Cancer research is at the core of our mission. We are the largest nonprofit funder of cancer research in the U.S. outside of the federal government. Since 1946, we have invested more than \$5 billion in cancer research, of which more than \$3.1 billion has been invested since 1991, contributing to 3.5 million fewer cancer deaths. We are also continuing to fund local grant projects to eliminate health disparities, with a focus on prevention, early detection, and access to care in communities who have been marginalized. In 2023, our Diversity in Cancer Research internship program expanded to 169 interns at 26 institutions nationally, including four universities in the Northeast region.

We have a Four-Star Charity Navigator rating which assures you of our commitment to responsible and informed stewardship of our donor dollars. Thanks to your continued support, 80% of donor dollars we receive directly funds our mission.

Our advocacy affiliate, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action NetworkSM (ACS CAN), continues to empower advocates across the country to elevate the patient voice. As the only cancer organization with a presence in all 50 states, every level of government, and all three branches of government. Our ACS CAN team members and grassroots volunteers are working every day to reduce the cancer burden, including expanding coverage for biomarker testing and closing the Medicaid gap to ensure everyone has an affordable insurance option for cancer screening and treatment.

We look forward to even more growth and progress in 2024 as we work together to measurably improve the lives of people facing cancer and their families.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony Marino".

Anthony Marino
Executive Vice President, Northeast Region



**For 110 years,
the American
Cancer
Society has
been a leader
in the fight
against
cancer.**

Research We fund research breakthroughs in cancer prevention, detection, treatment and survivorship as the largest private, nonprofit funder of cancer research in the US. Your support can help save lives.

Advocacy Through the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, we advocate at every level of government in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico & Guam. Your support helps make sure everyone has equitable access to breakthroughs in cancer prevention, detection, treatment, and survivorship.

Patient Support We provide direct support and education for cancer patients, caregivers and clinicians. Your support means no one has to go through their cancer journey alone.

Hope Lodge® Our Hope Lodge communities offer a free home away from home closer to cancer care. \$70 can help provide one night of free lodging for a cancer patient and their caregiver.

Rides We provide free rides to cancer treatment and appointments for people with cancer. \$50 can help provide someone a free ride to treatment.

Helpline For people facing cancer and their families, our free 24/7 cancer helpline is there with answers. \$30 can help someone find free information, answers, and hope through our 24/7 helpline.

Every gift makes an impact, no matter the size. It takes all of us to end cancer as we know it, for everyone.



Every cancer. Every life.™

Your donation improves lives.

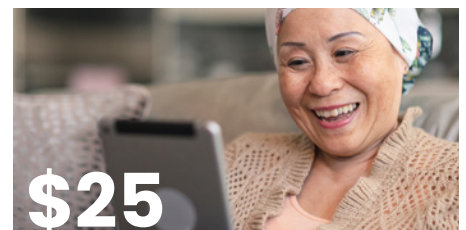
The American Cancer Society is a leading cancer-fighting organization with a vision to end cancer as we know it, for everyone. We are improving the lives of people with cancer and their families as the only organization combating cancer through advocacy, research, and patient support, to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to prevent, detect, treat, and survive cancer.



can help people find hope and support online through our **Cancer Survivors NetworkSM**.



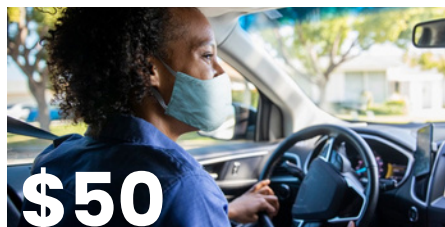
could help put **free cancer education** in the hands of those who need guidance.



can help people facing breast cancer connect with trained survivors through our **Reach To Recovery®** program.



could help 1 person find **free answers** and much-needed support through our **24-hour helpline**.



can help provide **1 free ride** to treatment through our **Road To Recovery®** program.



can help provide **1 free night's stay** at a Hope Lodge® community for people with cancer and their caregivers.

Thanks to your support, the American Cancer Society made a profound impact in the New England Area in 2023.

Thanks to your support, the American Cancer Society was able to move our mission forward in the New England Area this year, continuing to improve the lives of people with cancer and their families. We are the only organization combating cancer through advocacy, research, and patient support, to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to prevent, detect, treat, and survive cancer.

Research

Connecticut

16 grants/ \$10.9 million

- Griffin Hospital
- University of Connecticut
- Yale University

Maine

One grant/ \$792,000

- Maine Medical Center

Massachusetts

70 grants/ \$35.02 million

- Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
- Boston Children's Hospital
- Boston Medical Center
- Boston University
- Brandeis University
- Brigham and Women's Hospital
- Dana-Farber Cancer Institute
- Harvard Pilgrim Health
- Massachusetts General Hospital
- President and Fellows of Harvard College
- Tufts University
- University of Massachusetts
- Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute

New Hampshire

2 grants/ \$1.5 million

- Dartmouth College

Rhode Island

One grant/ \$100k

- Brown University

*Grants in effect as of July 2023.

Advocacy

Connecticut

- Secured \$11 million in funding to provide access to the HPV vaccine for all Connecticut children whose insurance does not already provide the vaccine free of charge.

Maine

- Passed a bill to expand paid family medical leave to 12 weeks of paid time off for medical reasons including illness, to care for a relative, or the birth of a child.

Massachusetts

- Secured \$6.2M in funding for the state tobacco control program.
- Secured \$384K in funding for the state breast, cervical and colorectal cancer screening program.
- Secured \$9.9M for the pediatric palliative care program.

New Hampshire

- Passed a bill to extend coverage for Medicaid for seven years.

Vermont

- Secured \$500K in additional funding for youth vaping diversion efforts at the tobacco control program.
- Secured comprehensive flavored tobacco restriction legislation through the Senate with House passage expected in 2024.

Rhode Island

- Secured \$929K for the Women's Cancer Screening and Colorectal Cancer Screening programs. These programs provide screening for low-income, uninsured and underinsured.

Patient Support

- MA at national average (75%) for breast cancer screening.
- CT, MA, NH, RI, and VT above national average (61.7%) for completed HPV Vaccination Series.
- \$100K invested in 5 health system partners to increase cancer screening and HPV vaccination.
- Served 3,232 callers providing 6,874 services through our free 24/7 National Cancer Information Center.
- Served 1,045 guests providing 21,316 free night stays at Hope Lodges.
- Provided 1,780 free rides to treatment for 222 cancer survivors.
- Awarded \$245,500 in area grants for cancer patient transportation and lodging.
- VT joined a multi-state "Call-to Action" to increase HPV vaccination through provider recommendations and initiation of HPV vaccination starting at age 9.
- Launched the Prostate Cancer Screening IMPACT ECHO to improve mortality from prostate cancer and improve outcomes and reverse disparities for Black/African American men. Twelve FQHCs serving a large population of Black/African American were selected to participate, including Cornell Scott-Hill Health Center in New Haven, CT.

In 2023, the **New England** area raised more than **\$12.7M** to fund our mission to improve the lives of people with cancer and their families.



1,780 rides provided through our Road To Recovery program



“Hope Lodge is more than just a room, more than just a space for me to stay. It was, and it still is, relief to my heart and to my soul.”

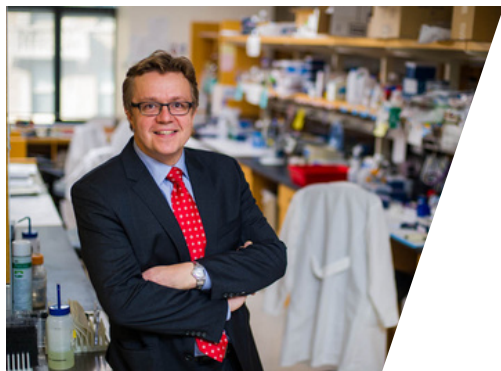
Hilda
Cancer Survivor



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21,316 nights provided to over **1,045** guests through our Hope Lodge program, saving guests an estimated **\$3.1M** in lodging costs



“...we owe it to patients, survivors, and their caregivers to further research and advance ACS's mission of saving more lives.”

Pasi Jänne, M.D., Ph.D.
2024 ACS Medal of Honor Awardee

