

Making a difference to help save lives from cancer in Ohio

The American Cancer Society is working toward a world free from the pain and suffering of cancer. With **care, empathy, courage, determination, and innovation**, there's hardly a person or family that hasn't benefited, directly or indirectly, from our work.

In 2015, here are just a few examples of how we put dollars to work in Ohio:

CARING AND EMPATHY

HELPING PEOPLE FACING CANCER TODAY



More than 12,900 requests from people looking for information, help, and support via phone, email, and online chats



Patient navigators helped guide more than 2,400 patients through the health care system



Nearly 28,000 nights of free or reduced cost lodging were provided



More than 5,400 rides to and from treatment



Helped nearly 1,550 people manage the appearance-related side effects of treatment

COURAGE

HELPING PEOPLE TAKE STEPS TO STAY HEALTHY



Since 2011, funded more than \$1 million through our CHANGE grant program, which is helping to reduce the unequal burden of cancer



Received nearly 77,200 visits to cancer.org from residents in our state



We are working with community partners – such as Federally Qualified Health Centers, hospitals, the Department of Health, and health plans – to increase colon cancer screening rates from 66% to 80% by 2018.

DETERMINATION

RALLYING COMMUNITIES AND CREATING PARTNERSHIPS TO HELP SAVE LIVES



Our advocacy affiliate, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action NetworkSM, increased funding for the state's tobacco prevention and cessation program to \$24 million over a two-year period, which is an increase of \$14 million from the previous two-year period.

INNOVATION

FINDING CANCER'S CAUSES AND CURES



More than \$20.2 million in cancer research grants are currently being funded in our state.

Johnie Rose, MD, PhD, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, received a five-year grant to improve the long-term survival of those who have been successfully treated for colorectal cancer. He is developing computer tools that use predictive modeling to identify optimal timing and types of testing based on individual survivors' unique characteristics to maximize the probability of finding recurrences early.