



CANCER SERVICES

Resources. Support. Education.



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Patient Services Dashboard

Services Provided
to Clients:

430

Trips Provided:

1,181

Nutrition:

310

Cases

Wigs:

43

New Clients

230

Our Office is Open!

With COVID-19 restrictions lifted Cancer Services has opened its office to the public. We ask that everyone coming into the lobby wears a mask to protect our cancer patients.

*We Are
better
together*

Happy Holidays

In July, I was privileged to join the team at Cancer Services, and in these past months, I have been introduced to a passionate organization that truly embraces a heartfelt mission to serve cancer patients in our community. Please allow me to share a little about my background and what led me to Cancer Services. I was born and raised in Sandusky, graduated from Perkins High School in 2017, and then continued my studies at Bowling Green State University, earning a Bachelor's degree in Long Term Care Administration. I am honored to return to my hometown for this opportunity to help cancer patients who are in need of resources from Cancer Services.

The depth of generosity and support to this great need has been evident to me from my first day here. Working together with other businesses and through community support, Cancer Services is making a real difference. The scope of our services includes nutrition, transportation, wigs, medical equipment and support to cancer patients living in Erie, Ottawa, and Huron Counties at absolutely zero cost to the patient. I am learning daily of the needs and growth opportunities for Cancer Serves as we work to better serve our patients.

Please refer to the Patient Services Dashboard to the left listing services provided between January 2021 to November 2021. Each number represents a life, a story, a battle with cancer, a beloved friend or family member fighting a devastating disease, and each service reminds us that together we can make a difference. I am humbled to be part of the team here working daily to better the lives of those who are in a fight for theirs.

With gratitude,
Cecily Brown, Executive Director





Pictured on the left: Vicki and on the right: Kathleen, Patient Services Coordinator

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT:

Vicki

I have been a volunteer with Cancer Services for 5 years. I originally started volunteering with Cancer Services after my husband's bout with colon cancer, I wanted to help other cancer patients in some way. I remembered how awful a day of chemo could be and how I was always trying to lift my husband's spirits. I wanted to do the same for other cancer patients, so I decided to drive patients to and from chemo treatment. I enjoy the conversation and laughs with my new friends and hope that I help them feel better on their challenging day.

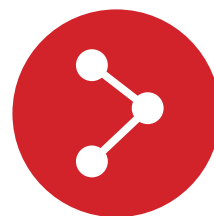
There are so many ways to help out all cancer patients through Cancer Services. I encourage to anyone to donate some time, no matter how much or little, to Cancer Services. A cancer diagnosis changes a person's world and is a very frightening time. Cancer Services has so much to offer to any and all cancer patients and can be such a wonderful one stop resource. Volunteering your time keeps a wonderful program going.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer driver to help take cancer patients to their treatments, please call 419-626-4548 or email cancerservicespatients@gmail.com.



Whether you are a cancer patient, survivor, caregiver, volunteer or have been impacted by cancer in some way, your story is important. Sharing your story will bring comfort, hope and inspiration to others who are coping with cancer.

Please contact Cecily at cecilybrownncs@gmail.com or **419-626-4548** to share your stories in our social media and newsletters.



FIGHT BELIEVE HOPE

October was Breast Cancer Awareness Month, an annual campaign to increase awareness of the disease and the importance of prevention and early detection. Among women in Ohio, breast cancer is the most common cancer. It is recommended to begin screening mammograms at the age of 40 and continue yearly. Mammograms are the best way for doctors to find cancer early and treat it. Other signs and symptoms to be aware of that are related to breast cancer are:

- A new lump in the breast or underarm
- Any change in the size, shape texture or color of the breast
- Irritation, dimpling or puckering of the breast skin
- Scaly, flaky, red or swollen skin on the breast or nipple
- Pain in any part of the breast including the nipple.

Any of these symptoms may be caused by breast cancer or by other less serious health problems. If you have any of these signs/symptoms, see your healthcare provider.

Please do not cancel your wellness appointments or mammograms due to COVID-19 or lack of transportation. Our local healthcare providers are working around the clock to ensure your safety. Cancer Services can provide a ride for those in need of transportation. Cancer Services currently serves 58 women diagnosed with breast cancer. Many of these women visit us for wigs, hats, mastectomy products, and support. All of these services are provided at no cost to individuals living in Erie, Huron, and Ottawa County. Stop in between 9:00 am-3:00 pm Monday-Friday or schedule an appointment for a wig fitting by calling 419-626-4548.



Patient Connection

Cancer is a powerful word that brings many emotions, fear, and uncertainty. If you are going through a new cancer diagnosis, you are not alone. The Cancer Services team is here to help.

Our Patient Services Program provides

1. Nutrition
2. Medical Supplies and Equipment
3. Transportation
4. Prescription Assistance
5. Wig and Mastectomy Items



Every cancer patient's story is unique so our services are personalized and based on the patient's needs. If you or someone you love is a newly diagnosed cancer patient, please call Cancer Services. We are committed to providing support during your journey and we look forward to the opportunity to help you and your family.



Kathleen St. Clair
Patient Services Coordinator

Cancer Services Charity Golf Outing

Thank you to everyone who helped make Cancer Services Charity Golf Outing in memory of former board member Sheila Erhardt a huge success. A BIG thank you to our major sponsors that helped make the day possible: Captains Corner, Twins Lane, Margaritaville, Sail-in, Firelands Regional Health Systems, Bellevue Hospital, Providence Care Centers, Mark Advertising, and Water Street Financials. Their generous support makes our success possible. We look forward to seeing everyone again for next year's golf outing! To stay up to date on Cancer Services events follow us on Facebook.



Thank you, GarNay's Winery!

A big thanks to GarNay's Winery for raising over \$2,000 for Cancer Services during their all day event on August 21. If you missed this year's benefit, be on the lookout for the announcement of next year's date. There will be live entertainment, raffles, wine, and balloon explosions! Follow GarNay's Winery for more information.



Volley for the Cure

The Perkins High School Volleyball team hosted their eighth annual fundraiser for Cancer Services raising over \$8,000. The evening included raffles, silent auction, a bake sale, and 50/50s. We are extremely grateful for all the hard work that the Perkins High School Volleyball team put into this event and congratulations on the win against Bellevue!



New Parking Lot!

On behalf of everyone at Cancer Services thank you to Randolph J. and Estelle M. Dorn Foundation, Dick Brady, and Kreimes Company for helping Cancer Services complete our parking lot project.



100+ Women Who Care Serving In Erie County

Thank you to the 100+ Women Who Care for the \$11,250 donation to use for wigs, nutrition, and transportation at Cancer Services. 100+ Women Who Care is a group of women who care deeply about Erie County. They gather four times a year for a one-hour meeting, and each member writes a \$100 check to a charity that the group selects. This past July 100+WWC celebrated their fifth anniversary of making a difference in our community. They have donated over \$185,000 in the past five years. For more information go to: <https://www.100womenwhocareineriecounty.com/>



Keeping COOL!

We are so thankful for the donation and installation of two new air conditioners for the Cancer Services office and warehouse by Gundlach Sheet Metal and Famous Supply. This truly helps to keep our volunteers and nutrition cool during the hot summer months. We cannot thank Gundlach Sheet Metal and Famous Supply enough for their generosity and kindness. We look forward to staying cool next summer!



Please Welcome Our Newest Board Member!

Alli Evert joined the Cancer Services Board of Directors in February. She is the Director of Oncology Services and Outpatient Infusion Center at Firelands Regional Medical Center. At Firelands and Cancer Services she is passionate about cancer education for staff, families, and patients. She joined Cancer Services to help expand access and support to cancer patients throughout our community.

2021 Donors Gifts received from January 1, 2021 - September 30, 2021

“As we work to create light for others, we naturally light our own way”

– Mary Anne Rademacher

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this contribute list. If we have made an error, please let us know.

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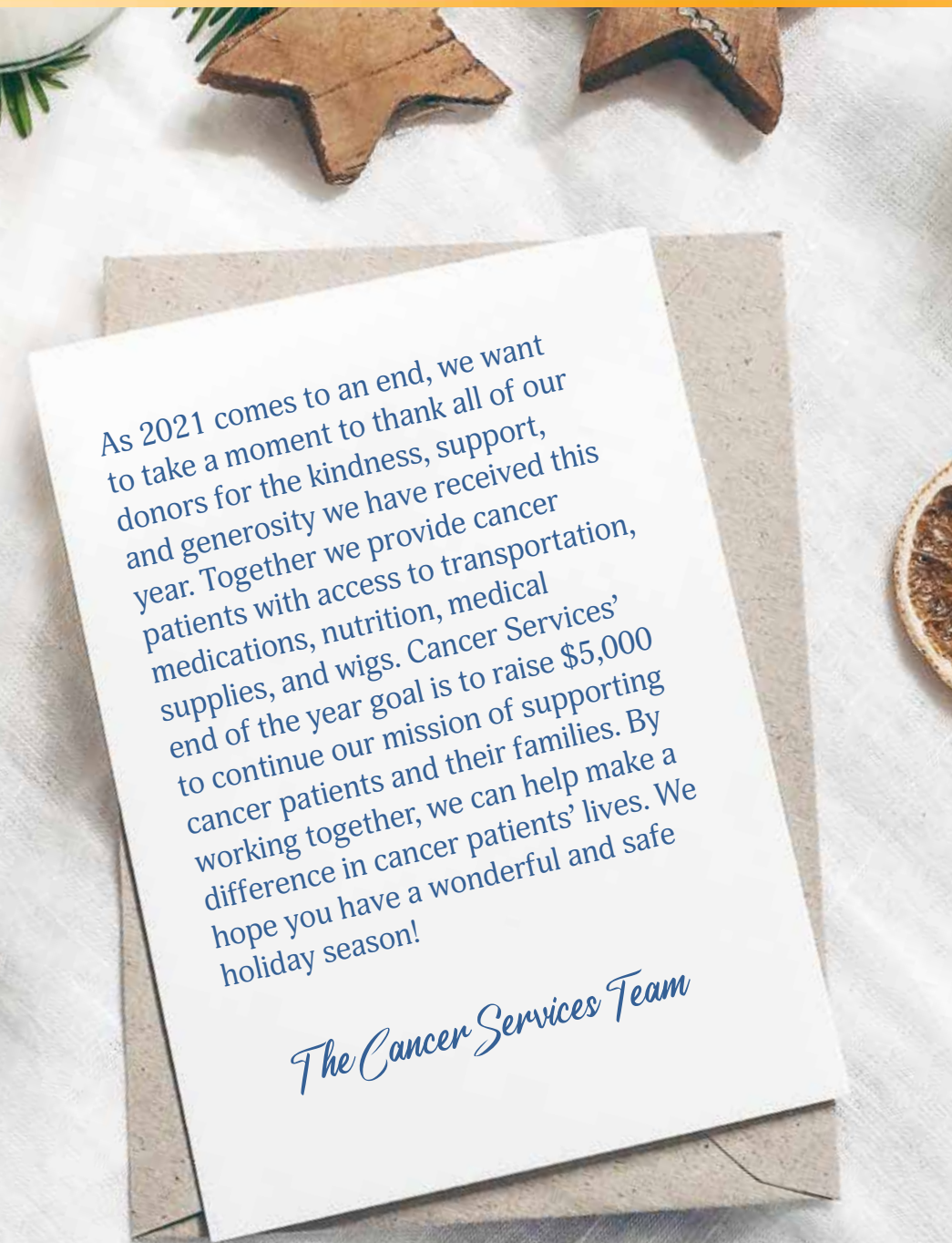
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As 2021 comes to an end, we want to take a moment to thank all of our donors for the kindness, support, and generosity we have received this year. Together we provide cancer patients with access to transportation, medications, nutrition, medical supplies, and wigs. Cancer Services' end of the year goal is to raise \$5,000 to continue our mission of supporting cancer patients and their families. By working together, we can help make a difference in cancer patients' lives. We hope you have a wonderful and safe holiday season!

The Cancer Services Team

Our *“Wish List”* Donation Requests

We appreciate donations of any new items from the list below. Every donation, regardless of size or quantity, makes such a positive impact on our patients we serve.

- Boost
- Ensure
- Pedialyte
- Disinfectant Spray
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Bottled Water
- Paper Towels
- Twin Size Bed Sheets.

Thank you.



Donations can be made to Cancer Services at
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