

WHAT WE DO

The Illinois CancerCare Foundation

is a charitable organization like no other in our community. We are proud to be a strong advocate for people facing cancer and are committed to helping ensure that anyone who faces cancer, regardless of their socioeconomic status, has access to Foundation supported research, education and awareness, and patient support programs.

FILLING THE FUNDING GAP
\$400,000+

Federal & Foundation Funding

Through the National Cancer Institute (NCI) Community Research Program, Illinois CancerCare shares in \$2.5 million of annual funding for NCI trials. This allows patients to participate in these clinical research efforts. However, due to cuts in NCI funding, we have seen a loss of \$3.5 million in research dollars in the past decade. Foundation dollars fill that gap – helping ensure local patients do not lose access to clinical trials. Illinois CancerCare is THE research arm for the many communities we serve – and YOU keep us armed to stay on top of ever-evolving care.



OUR MISSION

The Illinois CancerCare Foundation is committed to funding Research, Education and Patient Support and Assistance for a disease which affects 1 in 3 people. As we fight to find cures for many types of cancers through nationally recognized research initiatives, it is our strong belief that our patients must have available to them every possible weapon in their battle.

Thank you for joining the fight.



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OUR LOCATIONS

The Illinois CancerCare Foundation supports patients and their families dealing with a cancer diagnosis throughout the following 13 central and western Illinois clinic locations:



**YOUR
DONATION
MAKES A
DIFFERENCE.**

**GROUNDBREAKING
RESEARCH.
LIFESAVING CARE.**

**ILLINOIS CANCERCARE
BECAUSE LIFE IS PRECIOUS.**





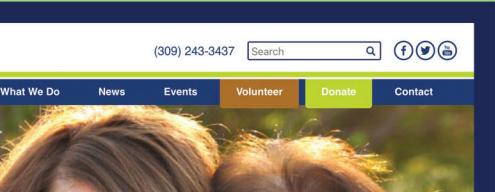
HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Generous gifts to the Foundation make it possible to keep HOPE alive in those who are coping with a cancer diagnosis. Your partnership allows our patients and their families to stay right here in central and western Illinois for the very best cancer care possible. If you are interested in joining our mission, there are many ways to participate.

TRIBUTE/MEMORIAL GIFTS. Honor someone special, a special occasion, or the memory of a loved one with a gift to the Illinois CancerCare Foundation.

HONOR YOUR CARING STAFF. With any gift amount, honor the physician, nurse or any employee who provided exceptional care to you or your loved one.

DONATE ONLINE. You can make a secure online donation to the Illinois CancerCare Foundation by going to our website at illinoiscancercarefoundation.org and clicking on the Donate button at the top of any page.



Donate here!

ANNUAL GIVING PROGRAM

Annual giving enhances services for our cancer patients and ensures those services will be available to support the growing number of patients in years to come. Any tax deductible gift received through charitable event attendance, mail appeals, memorial/honoraria gifts, or outright donations are credited toward the Foundation’s Annual Giving program.

UNDER \$250	DETERMINATION
\$250 - \$999	COURAGE
\$1,000 - \$2,499	STRENGTH
\$2,500 - \$4,999	HEALING
\$5,000 - \$9,999	RESILIENCE
\$10,000 AND ABOVE	DISCOVERY

MATCHING GIFTS. Before making a gift to the Illinois CancerCare Foundation, please check with your employer about matching gifts opportunities available to you. Most Human Resources departments maintain information about such programs as well as the appropriate forms needed for the matching gift. If your employer has a matching gift program, please let us know by calling 309-243-3437 or email us at info@illinoiscancercarefoundation.org.

ESTATE GIVING. To learn more about how you can provide for the needs of cancer patients and their families through a bequest or estate gift, please visit the Planned Giving section under Donate on our website.

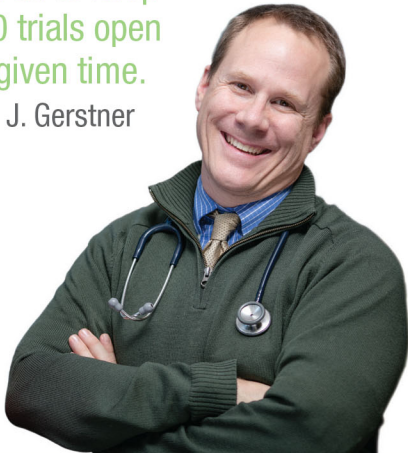
WE ARE MORE THAN CANCER CARE.

RESEARCH AND CLINICAL TRIALS

With over 100 different clinical trials, Illinois CancerCare regularly enrolls more patients and outperforms larger, nationally known institutions when it comes to clinical trials. Our Foundation, in collaboration with Illinois CancerCare, helps increase patient enrollment in the latest nationally renowned clinical cancer research trials right here in our community through partnerships with leading research institutions. These advanced treatment options allow our patients to remain close to home and get the best care possible, where they can be surrounded by family and friends.

The Foundation’s support allows us to keep more than 100 trials open locally at any given time.

-Dr. Gregory J. Gerstner



RESEARCH IS AT THE CORE OF EVERY TREATMENT WE HAVE TODAY.

OUR INITIATIVES

Generous gifts to the Foundation make it possible to keep HOPE alive through funding of clinical research and the following initiatives:

EDUCATION & ADVOCACY: Community outreach plays an important role in bringing us closer to cures. Charitable gifts to the Foundation support educational events and training for volunteer advocates, equipping them with the tools they need to share the importance of clinical research with the goal of reducing barriers to trial participation.

GENETIC SCREENING: The Foundation supports genetic screening programs to identify hereditary cancers such as colorectal, pancreatic, and breast cancer. Thanks to generous contributors, eligible patients can receive financial assistance for their tumor sequencing. These programs empower families to understand their risks, provide relief, and make informed decisions about their health care.

PATIENT SUPPORT: Illinois CancerCare’s volunteer program, with over 100 volunteers, provides a special touch to patients and families. Supported by gifts to the Foundation’s Volunteer Fund, volunteers lend a helping hand and items of comfort for cancer patients during their visit. Foundation grants also provide transportation assistance and lymphedema support to qualified patients.

TRUST IN HOPE: The Foundation’s Trust in Hope program provides compassion and support to cancer patients and their families experiencing financial need during the holidays. In the last 7 years alone, over 2,240 Thanksgiving meals have been delivered, and 151 families, and 375 children and their parents received holiday gifts.

FUNDRAISING: The Foundation supports over 12 events each year, with a total of 143 events since 2001. Some signature events include Swing for the Cure with the Peoria Chiefs, Golfin’ in the Wild lead by the Young Leaders Board, and CUREageous lead by the CUREageous Committee. People can help by serving as a Foundation Ambassador, solicit new corporate partners, share about our programs and services, and support our events.