



CSC Fiscal Year
March 1, 2025 to
February 28, 2026

25-26

ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT



CANCER SUPPORT
COMMUNITY
GREATER ANN ARBOR

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Dear Friends,

As I look back on this past year, I find myself reflecting on the countless stories of courage, resilience, and hope that make the Cancer Support Community of Greater Ann Arbor such a special place. Cancer touches nearly every family at some point in our lives. When it does, the need for support extends far beyond medical treatment. People need connection. They need resources. They need understanding. Most importantly, they need to know they are not alone.

This year, because of supporters like you, Cancer Support Community continued to be that place of hope. I am incredibly proud of what we accomplished together. We expanded our financial assistance program to help more individuals and families facing the financial burden that often accompanies a cancer diagnosis. We continued to see strong growth and utilization across our programs and services, meeting people where they are with counseling, support groups, educational programming, healthy lifestyle classes, and community connections. Our partnerships continued to grow, allowing us to reach even more people impacted by cancer throughout our communities.

We also strengthened the organization's foundation for the future. Through careful stewardship and thoughtful planning, CSC ended the year in a strong financial position, generating a positive change in net assets while maintaining significant operating reserves that will help sustain our mission for years to come. Our community once again demonstrated extraordinary generosity. Flavors of Hope raised approximately \$210,000, bringing together friends, donors, volunteers, and community leaders in support of our mission. Our annual appeal generated approximately \$172,000, providing vital funding for programs that remain *completely free for participants*. These successes are not just fundraising achievements — they represent thousands of moments of support, encouragement, and care for people navigating one of life's most difficult journeys.

We also took an important step toward our future by launching a comprehensive brand equity study. As awareness of our services remains one of our greatest opportunities, this work will help us better understand how to reach those who may need our support but have not yet found us. Because no one should have to face cancer alone simply because they don't know help exists.

While I am proud of all we achieved, I am equally aware of the growing need around us. More families are seeking support. More people are experiencing the emotional, social, and financial challenges that accompany cancer. Every day, our staff and volunteers witness the impact that compassionate care can have on a person's life.

The truth is simple: everything we accomplish is possible because people like you believe in this mission. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I extend my deepest gratitude to our donors, volunteers, community partners, staff, and participants. Thank you for helping us build a community where compassion thrives and where no one faces cancer alone. Together, we are changing lives every day. With your continued support, we can reach even more people in the year ahead.

With gratitude,



Jamie Guise

Board Chair, Cancer Support Community of Greater Ann Arbor
SVP, Community Engagement Executive, Old National Bank

ABOUT CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY



Vision

Everyone impacted by cancer receives the support they want and need at every phase of their experience.

Mission

CSC uplifts and strengthens people impacted by cancer by providing support, fostering compassionate communities, and breaking down barriers to care.

Programs

Whether a patient, survivor, loved one, or caregiver, Cancer Support Community offers a variety of professionally led free programs designed to enhance the quality of life and strengthen survivorship. There are six core programs at the Cancer Support Community:

1. Support
2. Education
3. Healthy Lifestyle Activities
4. Social Events
5. Resource Connections
6. Practical Assistance

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Number of People Served

1,352

Number of Hours of Service

9,458

The Cancer Support Community prides itself on being an evidence-based and community-driven organization. This practice is integrated into all professionally facilitated services and programs offered. In keeping with the community-oriented nature of the organization, the CSC conducts an annual satisfaction survey. Results from this survey indicate that the CSC continues to fulfill its mission of providing support, education, and hope to all those who participate.

Financial Assistance Provided

\$100,000

PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS



A 2022 study published in JCO Oncology Practice found that 56% of cancer patients experienced financial hardship, and 36% delayed or skipped care due to cost. Similarly, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network reported in 2020 that 51% of cancer patients and survivors had medical debt, with over 70% cutting back on basic needs like food, housing, or utilities to afford care.

Sprout Love

The Sprout Love Initiative at the Cancer Support Community raises funds for the Sprout Love Financial Assistance Fund launched in the fall of 2018. The fund covers basic living expenses for individuals who are experiencing financial hardship as a result of cancer and its treatment.

\$100,000

Granted to 52 individuals/families

Lodging Program

The Cancer Support Community of Greater Ann Arbor, with grant support from the American Cancer Society and the University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center, provided overnight accommodations to cancer patients, their caregivers and families who must travel for treatment and need assistance with lodging.

407 NIGHTS
of lodging support provided



MAJOR FUNDRAISING EVENT



Amount Raised

\$208,705

Flavors of Hope

The Cancer Support Community of Greater Ann Arbor hosted the third in-person Flavors of Hope event on Saturday, February 21, 2026. The event was sold out this year. This event, held at the Chop House in Ann Arbor, featured a strolling dinner, cocktails, and a live auction with luxury vacation packages, wine lots, and more.

Save The Date: February 20, 2027

THE BRIDES PROJECT



The Brides Project Staff from left to right Margaret Heath, Jan Romans, Heidi Daniels.

\$563,440 WAS RAISED FOR THE CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY

The Brides Project is the Cancer Support Community's social enterprise, and this year marked 15 years of service. Wedding dresses are donated to The Brides Project from all across the country — some are "pre-loved," given by brides who want to see their gown dance another day, but most arrive brand new, donated directly by bridal salons and designers. The gorgeous bridal salon is run primarily by volunteers, and all funds raised from gown sales support the free programs offered at the Cancer Support Community of Greater Ann Arbor.

1,550

Visits from Brides

100

Volunteers Donated
4,000+ Hours

842

Dresses Donated

MAJOR DONORS

Anonymous

Jamie & Jim Abelson

Scott Baird

Dr. Katie Beekman

Lisa & John Boland

Lynette & Tim Brice

Jane Capin

Kevin & Ann Corbin

Mary & Walid Dimo

Andy & Kathy Eisenberg

Joan Erbes

Monica & Jef Forward

Judy & Paul Freedman

Adam & Allison Gacek

Ginger & John Gajar

Judith & Steve Gentz

Jamie & Thomas Guise

Amine Hajji

Nancy Hart & Hank Greenspan

Larry Hauptman

Jessica & Nate Hoard

Marian Horowitz**

Andrew & Rosie Ingebritson

Rob & Kristine Juergens

Rob & Samantha McCurren

Jami & Chris Millon

Sarah Murray

Laurel & Peter Northouse

Mike & Kathy O'Rear

Jeffrey V. Park

Katie Pelz-Davis

Mary Jean Raab & John Boyer

Carol Rugg & Richard Montmorency*

Ellie Serras

Harry & Karen Silverman

Ann & Bob Sinelli

Jen & John Teeter

Tammie & Scott Tobel

James Tuttle & Angela Walker

Colleen Vance & William Price

Cam Vozar

Sandra and Donald Walker

Diane Wentland**

Dianne Widzinski

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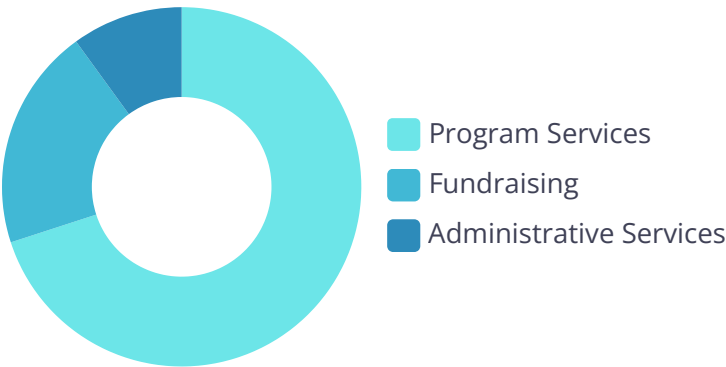
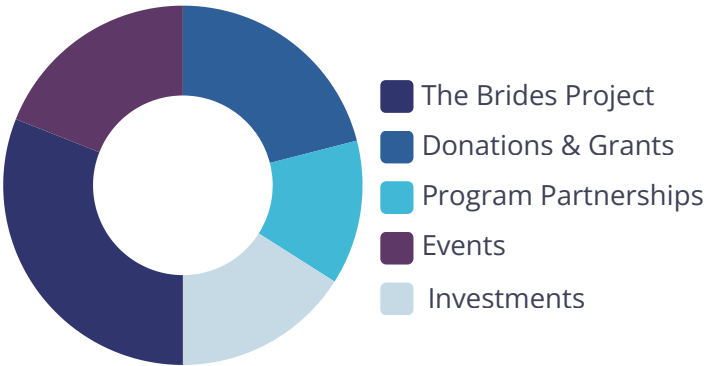
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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Revenue

The Cancer Support Community leverages a diverse fundraising strategy to ensure sustainability. Individual and corporate donors encompass a substantial portion of the operating budget. Partnerships with healthcare systems allow for collaborative initiatives that enhance patient care. The Brides Project is CSC's social enterprise that provides a large portion of annual income.



Expense

The Cancer Support Community's largest expense is salaries and wages. As a provider of direct service, this expense represents hours of free professionally led cancer support programs.

Financial Health

The Cancer Support Community holds a strong financial position for service sustainability. Our portfolio includes cash reserves (short-term investments) as well as a board-advised fund (long-term investments) for program growth.

Short-term investments	\$895,551
Long-term investments	\$1,547,931

CSC IN THE COMMUNITY

The Cancer Support Community of Greater Ann Arbor offers free virtual programs via Zoom and hybrid programs that include the option to join either in person or via Zoom.

In-person programs are available at our main office, located at 2010 Hogback Rd, Suite 3, Ann Arbor, MI 48105, and at our community partner locations at Trinity Health in Ann Arbor, Brighton, Canton, Chelsea, and Livonia. Services can be accessed at any location, no matter where you or your loved one is receiving treatment. Programs are not restricted to Trinity Health patients; all are welcome.

CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY

2010 Hogback Rd., Suite 3
Ann Arbor, MI 48105

TRINITY HEALTH CANCER CENTER BRIGHTON

7575 Grand River Ave.
Brighton, MI 48114

TRINITY HEALTH CANCER CENTER CANTON

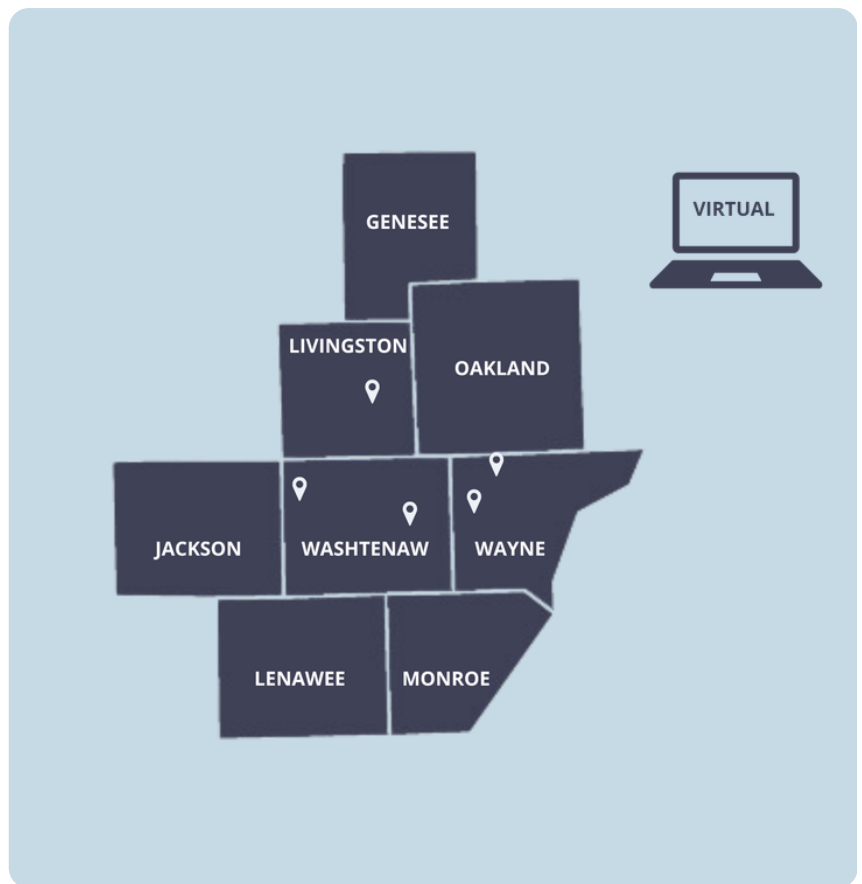
1600 S. Canton Center Rd.
Canton, MI 48188

CHELSEA HOSPITAL CANCER CENTER

775 S. Main St.
Chelsea, MI 48118

TRINITY HEALTH CANCER CENTER - LIVONIA HOSPITAL

36475 Five Mile Rd.
Livonia, MI 48154



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