

Breast Cancer ALLIANCE OF GREATER CINCINNATI



Advocate

MISSION: Committed to making breast cancer issues a top priority in the public and private sectors through advocacy, education and communication.



Educate



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P.O. Box 42505
Cincinnati, OH 45242

Become a Member. Breast Cancer Alliance of Greater Cincinnati (BCA)

\$10.00 annual membership dues, payable to Breast Cancer Alliance. (Dues and all donations are tax deductible.)

Mail to BCA of Greater Cincinnati, P.O. Box 42505, Cincinnati, OH 45242

Date _____
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Address _____
City/State/Zip _____

Please check one:
New Membership Renewal Membership

Are you a breast cancer survivor? Yes ___ No ___

May we contact you for volunteer opportunities?
Yes ___ No ___

Who We Are

The Breast Cancer Alliance of Greater Cincinnati (BCA) is an independent, non-profit, volunteer organization. The BCA was founded in 1994 by Linda Heines and a small group of women, who were concerned about the growing number of breast cancer cases in our community. They were determined to become educated about the issues and to advocate for more innovative breast cancer research.

The BCA continues to fulfill the mission of these founding members by focusing on advocacy, education, and communication.

Advocacy

The BCA sits on the Board of the National Breast Cancer Coalition Fund (NBCCF) and is a member organization. The BCA offers scholarship opportunities to its members to attend the NBCCF's Annual Advocacy Training and Lobby Day held in Washington, D.C. The BCA has an Alert Action Network that involves members in contacting legislators, including by email, to support issues affecting breast health.

Education

The BCA sponsors educational and other networking events in our community. The first Educational Seminar and Luncheon took place in 1995. This popular event has grown over the years and provides a benchmark for many survivors celebrating another year of life beyond treatment. Additionally, *Aspects of Breast Cancer* programs have featured local experts speaking about a variety of topics relating to breast health.

Communication

The BCA publishes a semi-annual newsletter called the *BCA Bulletin* which features breast health news, membership activity information as well as a community calendar of breast health events. View the entire newsletter on our web site:

www.bcacincy.org

Additional questions can be answered by calling:

(513) 530-0545 or

by e-mailing us at

info@bcacincy.org



The Wall of Hope

The BCA maintains a traveling exhibit promoting survivorship featuring the photographs and personal messages of area survivors.



The BCA in Action...

Our committed members continually add to the BCA's accomplishments:

- Hosting an educational seminar and luncheon honoring greater Cincinnati breast cancer survivors
- Sponsoring *Aspects of Breast Cancer* educational programs and other networking events
- Serving on the Board of the National Breast Cancer Coalition Fund (NBCCF)
- Offering scholarships and sending members to attend the NBCCF's Annual Advocacy Training and Lobby Day in Washington, D.C.
- Sending members to attend Project LEAD; an acclaimed program sponsored by the NBCCF that educates advocates on the science of breast cancer and research methodology
- Meeting with members of Congress to educate them and to offer a survivor's perspective on the legislative issues related to breast cancer
- Partnering with local researchers—such as on programs looking into the potential link with the environment and breast cancer
- Distributing a newsletter to members, supporters and the healthcare community
- Maintaining an informative web site with access to local and national information

How Can You Help?

Breast cancer rates are on the rise and are affecting both men and women of all races, ages and economic backgrounds. You can become a valued member of the BCA whether you are a survivor, family member, supportive friend, or a professional working in the field.

Annual dues are \$10.00. Complete the membership form in this brochure and send it with your check made payable to the BCA to:

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In addition, you can:

- Attend our educational and social/networking events
- Volunteer your time by serving on one of our committees
- Make a tax deductible donation to the BCA
- Spread the word about the BCA. We want to reach as many people in our community as possible

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