

# YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK IN THE GREATER PHILADELPHIA AREA\*

The American Cancer Society's mission is to save lives, celebrate lives, and lead the fight for a world without cancer. While most people know us for our research, we do so much more.

**Research:** ACS has been a part of every major cancer breakthrough and is known for funding investigators at the beginning of their careers. **47** American Cancer Society funded researchers have gone on to win the **Nobel Prize**. In the Greater Philadelphia Area, ACS funds 40 researchers at 12 institutions totaling **\$23,207,250** in **research grants**.



**Lodging:** Hope Lodge is a home away from home for cancer patients and their families. In 2018 the AstraZeneca Hope Lodge in Philadelphia has provided 1,598 cancer patients **20,152 nights of complimentary stay**, saving cancer patients and families a total of \$3.8 million.

## BECAUSE OF YOU

WE ARE ACTIVISTS.  
WE DELIVER BREAKTHROUGHS.  
WE BUILD COMMUNITIES.  
WE PROVIDE DIRECTION.



**Patient Support:** In 2018, the American Cancer Society provided information and programs for **14,516 cancer patients** in the Greater Philadelphia Area. We are there for cancer patients when they need us. 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.



**Transportation:** In 2018 alone, 2,113 cancer patients were provided with **33,123 rides** to treatment through **Road to Recovery** and **Alternative Transportation** programs. For many patients, getting to and from treatment is one of their toughest challenges, and it shouldn't have to be.

The American Cancer Society has **\$23,207,250** invested in **research** in the Greater Philadelphia Area

ACS is there 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to help guide you through your cancer experience.

**1-800-227-2345**  
**www.cancer.org**

Since 1991, there has been a **27% drop** in the U.S. in **cancer deaths** in men and women combined.

\*The Greater Philadelphia Area includes: Philadelphia, South Jersey, DelMarVa, Lancaster, Lehigh Valley, Scranton and Binghamton, NY.



Currently, 79 cents of every dollar goes to research, patient support, prevention information and education, and detection and treatment information. 21 cents of every dollar fuels supporting services for our life-saving work to manage and fund those programs.

## A decade of difference.

Philadelphia Astrazeneca Hope Lodge has been serving our community for 10 years.

In those 10 years, the Hope Lodge in Philadelphia has provided **196,270 nights** of lodging to **12,591 guests** and caregivers. Total **savings to guests** was an estimated **\$17 million** based on what guests would have needed to pay for similar accommodations near their treatment centers.

American Cancer Society Hope Lodges offer a solution to cancer patients who must undergo treatment far from home. Hope Lodges provide complimentary, temporary housing for cancer patients and caregivers in an emotionally supportive “home away from home” environment. Staying at the Lodge helps to alleviate some of the financial and emotional burdens faced by these families.



In 2018, the Hope Lodge program **served 27,000** individual cancer patients and caregivers.



**Our first Hope Lodge** location opened its doors in **1970** in Charleston, SC.



Guests have come from **45+ countries** and all **50 states**.



Hope Lodge communities enabled **outpatient cancer patients from 235+ referring hospitals** to receive treatment in 2018.



The Hope Lodge network provided **477,000 free nights of lodging** to patients and their caregivers in 2018.



In 2018, families saved an estimated **\$49 million** in hotel expenses.

## Transportation

### Having cancer is hard. Getting a ride to treatment shouldn't be.

Each year in the United States, an estimated **125,000 cancer patients need transportation** services to keep their treatment appointments.

We are here to help. Through a robust **Road to Recovery** program volunteers all over our community help cancer patients get to their life-saving treatment.

We have a partnership with **Ride Health** offering cancer patients options for complimentary rides to and from treatment, when transportation needs are high.

These programs are growing rapidly and need our support. Because of the continued generosity of volunteers and donors we are helping to provide access to care for those that need us most.

In Greater Philadelphia in 2018, we provided 2,113 cancer patients, **33,123 rides** to treatment, saving patients \$1.3 million in transportation costs.



Road To Recovery®

[cancer.org/drive](http://cancer.org/drive)

## Investment in Research

Since the American Cancer Society research program was established in 1946, and has invested more than \$4.6 billion in innovative cancer research. As the nation's largest private, nonprofit source of funds for scientists studying cancer, ACS focuses on funding on investigator-initiated, peer-reviewed proposals.

The American Cancer Society is there for scientists at pivotal points in their career – to give them the support they need to keep great research going or to take their ideas from dream to reality. We are proud to have helped nearly 20,000 investigators make important advances in prevention, early detection, treatment, and care for those with cancer.

2018-2019 Greater Philadelphia Local Investment | \$23,207,250

## Prevention and Screening

Mission:  
**HPV CANCER FREE**

**HPV Cancer Free Mission:** HPV Cancer Free is a public health campaign to eliminate vaccine-preventable HPV cancers. The goal of the campaign is to have 80% of 13 year-old boys and girls in the U.S. fully vaccinated by 2026.



**80% in Every Community** is an initiative led by the American Cancer Society and Center for Disease Control & Prevention to increase colorectal cancer screening rates to 80% for adults aged 50 and over.