



## News Release

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### Komen Southeast Wisconsin Invests Over \$1 Million to Ten Community Programs

(MILWAUKEE) – Susan G. Komen® Southeast Wisconsin announced today it will award over \$1 million to fund 10 community programs that will make a profound and life-saving impact to thousands of in our community.

The selection of grants reflect Komen Southeast Wisconsin’s mission of supporting medically vulnerable women, men and their families in the Affiliate’s seven county service area by providing community breast health education programs, as well as access to local, affordable high quality breast cancer screening, diagnostic, and treatment services.

“ Many Southeast Wisconsin residents face barriers that create challenges to navigating the healthcare systems and reduce their ability to access essential breast health services,” said Robin Luther, mission manager at Komen Southeast Wisconsin. “By identifying the issues contributing to these problems we are able to prioritize our funding to support organizations that bring local solutions to underserved residents of our community.”

The \$1,051,019 million that will be granted this year was raised completely through the efforts of Komen Southeast Wisconsin’s many local supporters and sponsors. “Our ability to help fight breast cancer in our community is a direct reflection of the funds we raise locally,” said Nikki Panico, Executive Director. “We could not fund these lifesaving programs without the strong support and commitment we receive from the residents and businesses of Southeast Wisconsin.” A significant portion of funds are raised during in the affiliate’s special events and fundraisers , including the annual Southeast Wisconsin Race for the Cure®, BigWigs, and PINK! The funds will help combat breast cancer incidence and mortality. It will also help find solutions for disparities in breast cancer across populations and aid cutting-edge programs in finding a cure.

The following programs have been selected for Komen Southeast Wisconsin funding through a competitive application and independent review process. For more information to any of our Community Partners, click here.

- Columbia St. Mary's - Mammography Mobil Outreach Program
- G L Ignace Indian Health Center - Breast Navigation Program
- Milwaukee Consortium for Hmong Health - Healthy Hmong Women
- Muslim Community & Health Center – Reducing Barriers to Screening Program
- Pro Health Waukesha - Breast Health Care and Screening Program
- Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare St. Francis - Su Salud Program
- Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare St. Joseph's – Phenomenal Women Program
- Tricia's Troops - Breaking Barriers Program

- UWM - Partners in Pursuit of the Promise
- Wisconsin Women's Health Foundation – Komen SEWI Breast Assistance Fund

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Since 1999, Komen Southeast Wisconsin has invested over \$10 Million into the local community. Komen Southeast Wisconsin has also invested over \$3.7 Million in national breast cancer research. Together with sister affiliates across the country, Susan G. Komen has invested \$840 million in breast cancer research through over 2400 research grants and 450 clinical trials.

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