



A Breath of Hope Lung Foundation



Dear *A Breath of Hope* Supporter,

As 2015 draws to a close and we look back at the many amazing advances made at A Breath of Hope and in the lung cancer field, I want to extend a heartfelt thanks to each of you for the collective impact you have made in the fight against lung cancer.

New and improved drugs/treatments for those coping with lung cancer, advances in lung cancer research, better understanding of the disease, insurance coverage for lung screenings for millions of Americans...these are just a few of the many advances we are thankful for.

Here at A Breath of Hope, we have experienced significant growth and are deeply grateful for your trust and your support of our work. Thanks to you, we were able to:

- Provide 100 days of service to newly diagnosed lung cancer patients, including rides to treatment and companionship, using our amazing volunteers
- Raise funds for two new \$150,000 research fellowships focused on 1) The biology of women and lung cancer and 2) Novel strategies for the early detection and screening of lung cancer
- Deliver awareness and preventative screening information to close to 1,000,000 Midwesterners
- Provide a year of topic driven meetings for men who have lost their significant other to lung cancer

And along those lines, in 2016 we plan to:

- Expand our patient support programming to three more Minnesota hospitals for patients who face lung cancer alone or without the support they need to fight the battle
- Continue to raise funds to support both our research fellowships and lung screening grants to local hospitals and clinics

2016 Circle of Light

The *Circle of Light* program was created to give donors the opportunity to become more deeply involved in *A Breath of Hope Lung Foundation's* mission to beat lung cancer.

This group is invited to semi-annual Doc Spot Events to meet our research fellows, hear from leading oncologists, meet others who share their passion around this cause and become more involved with our fight to change lung cancer perceptions and outcomes in this country.

We are currently accepting membership pledges for 2016 (pay later). To learn more, visit our [website](#) or email Nancy Torrison at nancy@abreathofhope.org.

Note: Your *Circle of Light* donation can be raised through your personal fundraisers, employee matching gifts or any other creative way you come up with to fight for this cause. \$500 is the minimum annual gift size.

2016 Events

March 5 - Gale Mansion, Women's Wellness Tea, Pearls of Wisdom, Pearls of Peace.

May 21 - Burnham Park, Chicago Lung Run/Walk

June 10 - Deer Run Golf Club, A Breath of Hope Golf Classic

- Increase awareness messaging to 1,250,000 people in 2016 through events, public presentations, billboard campaigns and more
- Launch the first ever *A Breath of Hope Women's Group* for women who have lost their significant other to cancer (1st meeting - February, 2016)
- Continue the fight for the 160,000 Americans who will lose their battle with lung cancer this year

On behalf of our board of directors, staff, program recipients and volunteers, know that your generous gifts are appreciated and used wisely. And - if you are one who believes in charitable [year end giving](#), please keep A Breath of Hope Lung Foundation in mind these last weeks of 2015.

Thank you for all you do to change lung cancer outcomes in our community and beyond. It has been a pleasure working with the many wonderful faces that make up the A Breath of Hope Family. May our family continue to grow!

Wishing you much love, warm memories and good health in 2016.

Warmly,

Nancy

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Golf Classic

August 13 - Lake Harriet, 10th Anniversary Twin Cities Lung Run/Walk

September 17 - Brighton Beach, Duluth Lung Run/Walk

Volunteers Needed!

Event Planning Committees

Silent Auction Committees

Office Projects

Third Party Fundraiser Organizers

Patient Advocates

Email Maria to find out more about volunteering:
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