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2012-2013 Community Grant Request for Application

The Northwest Ohio Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure® is currently offering Community Grants for innovative programs that reduce breast cancer incidence and mortality rates, especially among those who are disproportionately affected by breast cancer. Programs must address breast health and/or breast cancer education, screening, diagnosis, treatment, and/or survivorship needs of low income and underserved women and men in Monroe County, Michigan or in one or more of the 23 Northwest Ohio counties (Allen, Auglaize, Crawford, Defiance, Erie, Fulton, Hancock, Hardin, Henry, Huron, Lucas, Logan, Mercer, Ottawa, Paulding, Putnam, Sandusky, Seneca, Shelby, Van Wert, Williams, Wood, Wyandot).

Highlights from the 2011 Community Profile include the following (a full report can be downloaded at <http://www.komennwohio.org/understanding-breast-cancer/local-resources/our-community-need.html>):

- The incidence rate for females of all ages is 116.78 for Northwest Ohio, which is similar to the State of Ohio (116.20) and slightly less than the United States (118.69). The counties with an incidence rate higher than the State of Ohio for women ages 45 and older are Allen, Auglaize, Crawford, Erie, Hancock, Hardin, Huron, Logan, Putnam, Sandusky, Seneca, Shelby, and Wyandot.
- On average, 37.7 percent of women ages 40 and older in Northwest Ohio did not receive a mammogram in the past 12 months. The six counties with the greatest percentage of women over the age of 40 not receiving a recommended mammogram are Hardin (41.1 percent), Huron (41.0 percent), Wyandot (40.6 percent), Seneca (40.6 percent), Crawford (40.4 percent) and Williams (40.3 percent).
- The prevalence rate for the Northwest Ohio Affiliate service area is 438.48 resulting in approximately 3,833 women in 2009 being diagnosed with breast cancer. The average age of a woman being diagnosed with breast cancer is 59.5 years which is comparable to the State of Ohio and the United States. The counties with the highest prevalence rates are Erie, Hardin, Logan, Wyandot, Auglaize, Crawford and Allen, respectively.
- The Northwest Ohio Affiliate's service area has a crude mortality rate of 26.96 per 100,000 females. Counties in the Northwest Ohio Affiliate service area that had a mortality rate for all races higher than the State of Ohio are Auglaize, Crawford, Defiance, Erie, Putnam, Sandusky, and Seneca.

Funding Priorities:

From the 2011 Community Profile, the Northwest Ohio Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure has identified the following four priorities:

Priority 1: Breast Health and Breast Cancer Education/Awareness: Programs that focus on providing culturally appropriate breast cancer education and awareness, patient navigation, and advocacy with an emphasis on the medically underserved.

Examples may include:

- Breast health programs that are developed in partnership with school systems (high schools and colleges), community leaders, minority populations and organizations.
- Breast health programs that are developed and managed in partnership with health care professionals such as doctors, nurses, hospitals, public health professionals, and patient navigators.

Priority 2: Access to Breast Cancer Screening: Screening of high-risk underserved populations, especially focusing on women and minority populations of all ages, with resource and access barriers.

Examples may include:

- Mammograms and clinical breast exams for under and uninsured women and men of all ages.
- Assistance for programs that address access barriers by providing transportation to mammogram appointments; mobile mammography programs; expanded clinic hours to accommodate low-income workers who cannot afford to lose pay.

Priority 3: Access to Breast Cancer Diagnosis and/or Treatment: Diagnosis and treatment of high-risk underserved populations, especially focusing on women and minority populations of all ages, with resource and access barriers.

Examples may include:

- Diagnostic mammograms, breast ultrasounds, and breast biopsies for under and uninsured women and men of all ages.
- Assistance with payment for physical therapy associated with breast surgery (i.e. lymphedema).

Priority 4: Breast Cancer Survivorship: Programs directed to breast cancer patients at the early or newly diagnosed stage and ongoing through treatment.

Examples may include:

- Patient assistance with costs of medication, treatment services and associated needs.
- Breast cancer support programs as well as survivorship and prevention of reoccurrence.

Important Dates:

- *Request for Application Release Date:* Anticipated Monday, June 13, 2011 on website
- *In-Person Grant Training:* Wednesday, July 13, 2011 from 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Kenton, OH)
Tuesday, August 9, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (Perrysburg, OH)
- *Grant Teleconference:* Friday, September 16, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- *Request for Application Due Date:* Friday, October 14, 2011

To obtain a Request for Application packet:

- On-line: <http://www.komennwohio.org/grants/how-to-apply-for-funding/>
- Contact the Komen Northwest Ohio Affiliate office and a packet can be mailed.
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