

## Friend for Life Cancer Support Network Annual Report 2018

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Friend for Life Cancer Support Network Board of Directors and Staff, 2018





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### **OUR MISSION**

**To help persons recently diagnosed with cancer and their loved ones navigate the path through diagnosis, treatment and recovery by pairing them with a trained survivor of a similar experience so they can face cancer with someone who's been there.** Friend for Life volunteers are cancer survivors and caregivers who are trained by healthcare professionals to prepare them to support others as they confront the emotional, psychological and practical uncertainties posed by a cancer diagnosis. We refer to our volunteers as Peer Navigators. Callers are matched with Peer Navigators by diagnosis and course of treatment and, to the extent possible, by age and gender. No other organization in the area offers this form of one-on-one support for all types of cancer. At the end of 2018, Friend for Life Peer Navigators numbered 362. An additional 190 survivors and caregivers are in the process of becoming Peer Navigators. They range in age from 20 to 96, with age at diagnosis ranging from 14 to 84 and represent survival of a wide range of cancer types.

### **PROGRAM SUCCESS**

During 2018, Friend for Life Cancer Support Network:

- responded to 1,593 requests for support

- Peer Navigators donated over 6,000 hours

- Peer Navigators spoke with over 900 students and their faculty mentors at the University of Louisville Schools of Medicine and Nursing, Galen College of Nursing, Bellarmine Nurse Practitioner Program, and University of Kentucky School of Medicine. Peer Navigators have shared the cancer patient perspective with over 6,000 future healthcare practitioners since 2007.

- partnered with other one-on-one cancer support organizations across the country in order to provide peer support for persons diagnosed with rare forms of cancer or recently-developed treatments

- trained 46 new Peer Navigators

### **PROGRAM GOALS**

Friend for Life seeks to...

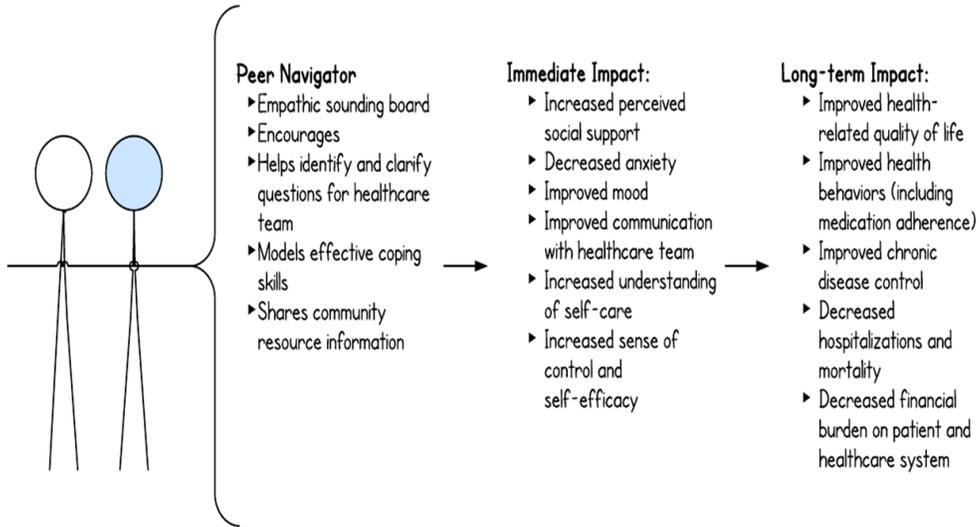
- continue to provide cost-free peer support to persons diagnosed with cancer and to their loved ones

- continue to provide quality training and ongoing support and education to volunteers

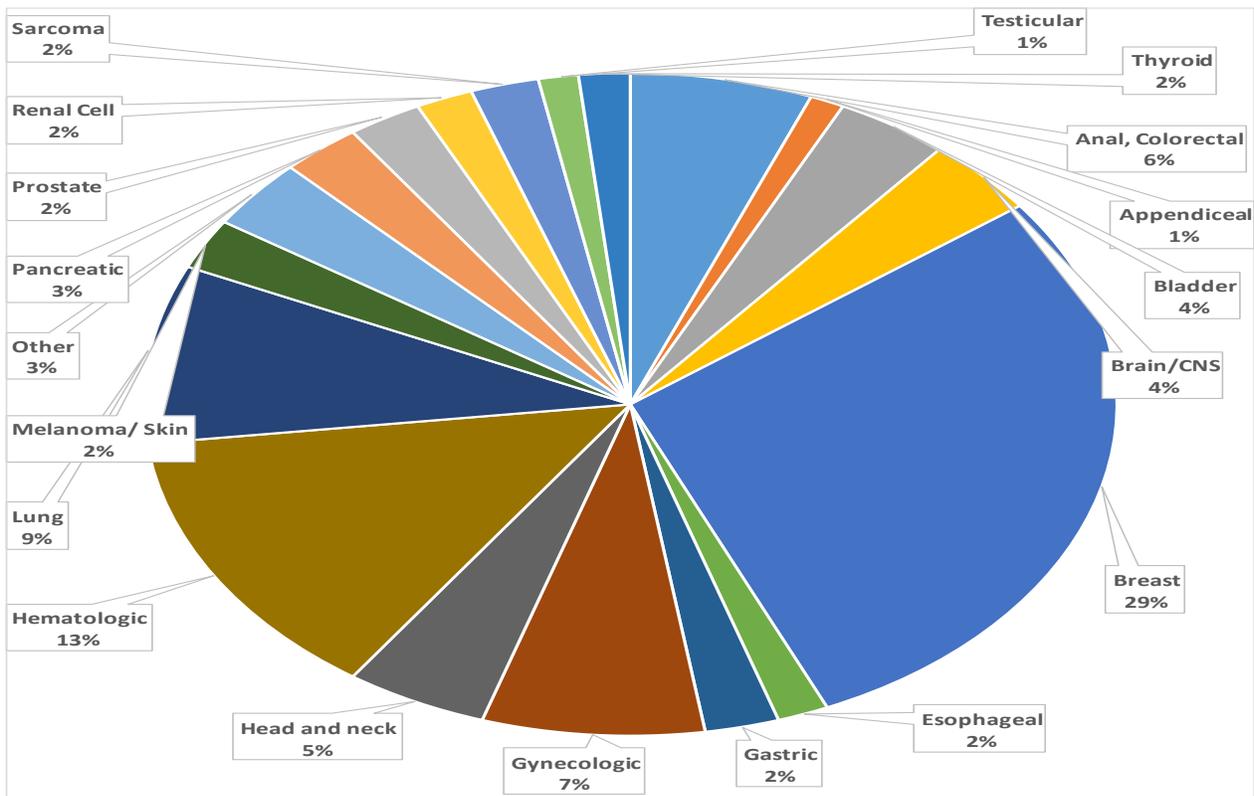
- enhance outreach to minority and underserved populations

- expand and improve infrastructure to keep up with advances in cancer knowledge and treatment, and increased numbers of survivors

# PEER NAVIGATOR MODEL



## Requests to Friend for Life by Cancer Type, 2018\*



\*Additional details available upon request

**Financial Report  
May 1, 2018– April 30, 2019**

**Support and Revenues**

Grants	\$20,750
Direct Public Support:	\$50,018
Fundraising	\$42,927
<b>Total Revenues:</b>	<b>\$105,469</b>

**Expenses**

Program Expenses	\$90,730
Administrative	\$5,041
Fundraising	\$5,040
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$100,811</b>

**Net Assets, Beginning of Fiscal Year:** **\$36,327**

**Net Assets, April 30, 2019:** **\$40,985**

A copy of our Form 990 is available by request or on Guidestar

**Grants Received FY 2018-2019**

Genentech, Inc.  
KY Breast Cancer Research & Education  
Trust Fund  
The Lexington Cancer Foundation  
The Loretto Literary and Benevolent  
Institution

**Sponsors & Major\* Donors**

Norton Healthcare  
RFX Technologies  
Cornerstone Legacies Foundation  
Sam Swope Family Foundation  
R.K. Cullinan Foundation  
Jecker and Edelen Agency  
St. Edward Parish  
Ben Armstrong  
Kyle Bianconcini  
Karen Donahue  
Carla Hermann  
Scott and Barbara Jones  
Arthur R. Kasey  
John and Judy Kasey  
Mark and Barb Lechner  
Nancy C. Reynolds

**Fundraising Events & Activities**

Dining at The Village Anchor & Le Moo  
Give for Good Louisville  
Kentucky Gives Day  
12th Annual *An Evening with Friends:  
Celebrating 30 Years*  
  
Amazon Smile  
Facebook  
Kroger Cares

\*\$500 and over

**Friend for Life Board of Directors 2018-19**

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