American Cancer Society

Virginia

PARTNERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

Services that Support Patients

- In 2022, ACS invested **$355,000** in transportation and lodging grants for Virginia health system partners to help patients and caregivers access cancer treatment.
- Through ACS' partnership with Extended Stay America, **22** Virginia patients received free or reduced rate hotel rooms.
- ACS' Road to Recovery program provided **47** patients with **528** free rides to treatment.
- A three-year, **$300,000** patient navigation capacity-building grant was awarded to Massey Cancer Center.
- In 2022, ACS made **$15,000** available to Virginia's state coalition efforts for use in catalyzing a cancer screening strategy from the state's cancer plan and provided one year of technical assistance.
- ACS' Lung Cancer Biomarker ECHO tele-mentoring program engaged **4** health systems across the state for an 8-month series to optimize lung cancer biomarker testing in non-small cell lung cancer patients.

Advocacy so Change Becomes Reality

- ACS CAN garnered nearly 50 bipartisan House and more than 25 Senate co-sponsors of the DIVERSE Trials Act, which would help increase diverse participation in cancer clinical trials by addressing cost barriers associated with trial participation.
- ACS CAN successfully advocated to include provisions in the Inflation Reduction Act to increase access to affordable care for cancer patients and survivors. An estimated 13 million people benefited from the provisions.

Research that Reaches People

- Over the last 20 years, the American Cancer Society has funded **45** grants totaling **$23.2 million** in Virginia.
- Currently, ACS is funding **16** grants totaling **$9.5 million** in Virginia.
- Katherine Tossas, PhD, Massey Cancer Center, Virginia Commonwealth University, is an ACS IRG sub-award recipient and was named a 2022 AACR NextGen Star.

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