

2015 NENY Grants Awarded

List of 2015 Current Community Grant Recipients

A Request for Applications with priorities from our 2011 Community Profile was distributed last fall. The grant applications received were reviewed, rated and ranked by an independent review panel made up of breast cancer survivors and health care professionals and then approved for funding by the Komen Northeastern New York Affiliate Board. Komen Northeastern New York awards grants to the following programs. Please note that Susan G. Komen is not a direct service provider:

Albany County

Camp Bravehearts, Inc.-*Oncology Camp for Women*- \$5,000- Survivorship, Education- Enables women living with breast cancer an opportunity to share life experiences with others in similar circumstances through weekend retreats, one-day programs and events; targets women who are underserved, minorities, the young and residents of rural counties with high incidence or mortality rates of breast cancer.

St. Peter's Hospital- *STAR Survivorship Program*- \$8,000- Survivorship, Education- Will implement the Capital Region's first Survivorship, Training and Rehab (STAR) Program which includes training staff in the latest cancer rehabilitation care and implementing evidence based methods that have been proven to help cancer survivors optimally heal and function. The survivorship program will help survivors physically and emotionally heal from the side effects of treatments and will focus on African American Patients.

Montgomery County

To Life!-*Educational Outreach to Underrepresented Minorities*- \$8,000- Education- To provide breast health workshops, and individual outreach in the community, along with breast health mentors/navigators to work within existing community networks; especially directed towards African American and Hispanic women where the need is the greatest. Partnerships with Centro Civico in Amsterdam will help cross existing cultural barriers.

CRAAB!-*CRAAB! CARES (Care Access, Risk Reduction, Education and Support)*- \$17,900- Education, Treatment Support, Survivorship – To educate young women and underserved populations about breast cancer screening and preventative measures in addition to new healthcare access options under the affordable care act. Funding will also provide Yoga and Strength/Metabolism fitness classes to breast cancer survivors in Albany and Montgomery Counties. (Mid-year grant, grant period ends June 2015)

Schenectady County

YWCA of Schenectady-*Encore: Take Charge of Your Health*- \$10,000- Education- Outreach to minority women residing in Schenectady County for breast health services that are medically underinsured or uninsured and have low incomes. The program goal is to provide group and individual educational sessions on early prevention and detection of breast cancer—outreach will take place at area churches, community centers, domestic violence and homeless shelters.

Clinton County

Community Link Mobile Health-*Women's Breast Screening and Health Education*- \$10,000- Screening, Education- To reduce barriers to breast screening and education using a mobile clinic for education, clinical breast exams and referrals for mammograms for women with no-insurance and/or low income in rural Northern New York.

Warren County

Glens Falls Hospital- *Transportation for Screenings*- \$ 4,500- Screening- Program seeks to increase screening rates for women in Washington County by providing transportation services through collaborations within Washington County. They will identify women in need of screening mammography services and offer transportation assistance by scheduling free transportation services through the Washington County EOC.

Small grants for educational projects and scientific conferences were also reviewed throughout the past year and approved for funding by the Komen NENY Board of Directors. Komen Northeastern New York awarded small grants to the following programs:

Medical College of Wisconsin- *Conference Grant*- \$5,000- 8th Annual Translational Oncology Research Symposium. This 1.5-day CME-certified conference partnered experts in clinical oncology and basic cancer research in Fall of 2014 in Albany, NY to enhance understanding and collaboration between physicians and cancer researchers. This conference supported: (1) the identification of practical recommendations for immediate implementation of scientific findings into clinical practice and (2) cancer research that has as its ultimate goal to improve patient care.

Albany Medical College- *Conference Grant*- \$2,200- Capital Region Cancer Research New Frontiers Symposium 2014: New Strategies and Technologies in Cancer Research. The Capital Region Cancer Research group (CRCR) presented a one-day symposium to bring together researchers in the New York Capital Region who work on various aspects of cancer.