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RISING UP IN ADVERSE TIMES

CEO, Andrew Asato



As this pandemic continues to grip our country, we want to keep you informed of our work across Oregon and SW Washington. More than ever, our breast cancer community is reeling from the pandemic physically, emotionally, and financially. It is clear that breast cancer does not stop during these times, so neither can we!

Yes, the current shut down to slow the spread of COVID-19 has impacted us significantly. Our Breast Cancer Issues Conference is to be rescheduled and the Lunch for the Cure will now be on October 7.

In the midst of major change, we do find hope as we look forward to the annual MORE THAN PINK Walk (formerly known as Race for the Cure), which will be going fully virtual on August 23, 2020. We are eager and excited for registration to open May 15.

Warmly,

[Read the full letter here!](#)

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Did you know?

Our [Breast Care Hotline](#) 1-877 GO KOMEN (1-877-465-6636) provides free, professional support, in English or Spanish, to anyone with breast cancer questions or concerns, including those related to the pandemic and breast cancer.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Health at Home: Facebook Live Series: May 13, 2020

[Please join us here on Wednesday](#) for our 7th Facebook Live “Health at Home” event! Susan G. Komen Oregon and SW Washington CEO, Andrew Asato, Director of Programs, Cindy Fletcher, and our guest, Cherie Gabbert, will be discussing “Treatment Access During the Coronavirus Pandemic.”



Day of Giving: May 14, 2020

More than ever, breast cancer patients are scared and urgently need our support right now. [Your donation will provide](#) transportation or gas for a patient to get to treatment, or pay for other necessities. Let’s make sure patients never have to choose between feeding their families and getting the care they need.

Komen is rising up to raise \$100,000 for the [Treatment Access Program](#). One partner, Les Schwab Tire Centers, is challenging the community to join them. Les Schwab will match every donation up to \$15,000 for Komen’s emergency COVID-19 fundraising challenge for the Treatment Access Program. [Donate today online](#) or text “dayofkomen” to (503) 461-2294.



MORE THAN PINK Walk: August 23, 2020

Walk or run and fundraise for a loved one affected by breast cancer. Let’s rise up to save lives together through the [MORE THAN PINK Walk on August 23](#). **Nothing is more important than your health and well-being, which is why we’re going VIRTUAL!** Register to join us on May 15 at [KomenOregon.org](#)!



Kick for Komen: September 19, 2020

The Komen Oregon & SW Washington Ambassador Board is hosting the Annual Kick for Komen footgolf tournament in September. Footgolf is a combination of soccer and golf and a whole lot of fun! Grab your friends, co-workers, and family members for this one-of-a-kind event and [register your team today!](#)



Lunch for the Cure: October 7, 2020

Lunch for the Cure brings together business and community leaders who recognize the importance of investing in saving lives and ending breast cancer. [Enjoy libations, a raffle, wine wall, and then, listen to an inspirational story](#) from our keynote speaker during lunch!

Our keynote speaker, Tai Harden-Moore, will share her cancer journey which began during law school in 2011 and at age 31 with two children under the age of six. What happens in her journey will amaze you.



Breast Cancer Issues Conference: TO BE RESCHEDULED

Thank you for your patience as we reconfirm speakers for a rescheduled 2020 [Breast Cancer Issues Conference!](#) We will update you as soon as details are finalized.

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KOMEN TEAM HIGHLIGHT



Thank you to the following retired members of our Board of Directors:

Sue McGrath, CPA - Vision Capital Management
 Brandon Skinner - Riverside Payments
 Rev. Dr. T. Allen Bethel - Albina Ministerial Alliance
 Charlene Zidell - Zidell Companies

Please help us welcome the newest members of our [Board of Directors](#):

Lisa O'Malley - North Star Restaurants Inc.
 Bori Gilchrist - Anaplan
 Kelly L. Michael, MBA - Kaiser Permanente Northwest
 Sharon Gary-Smith - Community Activist

MISSION



Community Program Spotlight – Treatment Access Program

In response to the needs of those going through breast cancer treatment during the pandemic, we have adjusted the parameters of our [Treatment Access Program](#). You now qualify if you (1) are in treatment for breast cancer, regardless of how far you have to travel; (2) live or receive treatment in Oregon or Clark, Cowlitz, or Skamania Counties in Washington, and (3) are at or below 250% of the Federal Poverty Level. If this is you, talk with your oncology clinic about applying.



Metastatic Breast Cancer

While we have had to cancel our May [MBC Dinner Series](#) dinner, we are trying to provide an avenue for those of you living with metastatic breast cancer to connect with one another. If you'd like to join us on Tuesdays at 11 am and/or Thursdays at 7pm for virtual Sip Sessions or Happy Hours, respectively, email programs@komenoregon.org for the link / more information.

Other Komen affiliates across the country are also conducting MBC events. [Learn more about Komen's work](#), nationally, in the MBC community, as well as find MBC Impact Series dates, many of which are now available virtually.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Summer Internships

We are seeking enthusiastic interns for this summer. Roles include marketing and communications, event coordination, and more. Please visit KomenOregon.org or contact Lexi Oppelt at loppelt@komenoregon.org or 503-546-7430 for more information.

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WAYS TO GIVE



[Tax Refund Giving](#)

Support breast cancer patients across Oregon and SW Washington. Please consider using a portion of your tax refund to make a gift that can truly help save a life.



[Toni Mountain Fund for Treatment Access](#)

Support gas, transportation, lodging, and food for patients in treatment.



[The Joe and Jane Gray Family Fund for Advanced Breast Cancer Research](#)

Support local and national research for advanced breast cancer.



[Create a Fundraiser](#)

Kickstart your DIY fundraiser on our new user-friendly webpage! Utilize many new tools and fun ideas to help you raise money for local breast cancer services and programs! [Get started here!](#)



[Cornerstone Membership \(Monthly Giving\)](#)

Become a champion among our family of supporters. A small gift each month goes a long way to impact a life.



[Giving Circle - Friends of Komen](#)

Receive unique opportunities to learn more about various programs and services, which support people affected by breast cancer.



[Planned Giving](#)

Learn the different charitable gift options available to you. We will work with you to find a plan that lets you provide for both your family and support Komen Oregon and SW Washington.

COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING EVENTS



Community Fundraiser Spotlight - Clothing 4 Cancer

50% of profits will be donated to Susan G. Komen Oregon and SW Washington. Their mission: keep clothing out of landfills; help fight breast cancer. [Find a bin near you!](#)



Terra Nova Nurseries - Ongoing

[Terra Nova Nurseries](#) donates \$.025 for each pink Echinacea sold named "Hope" to Susan G. Komen Oregon and SW Washington.



Amazon Smile - Ongoing

[AmazonSmile](#) is an excellent way to make your online shopping feel extra good! [Click HERE](#), add Susan G. Komen Oregon and SW Washington to your supported charity, and start shopping today!



USA Softball of Portland (Saving Second Base) - Ongoing

Don't let cancer steal 2nd base! [Click HERE](#) to see upcoming events and join in the fun. Games raise money for the four pillars of our work: research, care, community, and action.