

**someday
is today™**



**LEUKEMIA &
LYMPHOMA
SOCIETY®**

fighting blood cancers

Our Mission:

Cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families

Research

LLS invested **\$49.3 million** in research in fiscal year 2016 to advance life-saving research. Our research investment of over **\$1 billion** since our founding has played a critical role in advancing therapies for blood cancer patients, including targeted and immunotherapies.

Education & Support

While we fund research and advances for cures, we need to be able to get those breakthroughs to patients as quickly as possible. LLS's Policy and Advocacy Team is dedicated to removing the barriers to access and cures.

Patient Support

We are the leading source of free, highly specialized blood cancer information, education, and support. Our Information Resource Center has responded to more than 26,000 inquiries, and LLS provided more than **\$65 million** to patients in fiscal year 2016.

LLS at work



Every 3 minutes

someone is diagnosed with a blood cancer. Every 9 minutes, someone dies from a blood cancer. Leukemia is one of the leading cause of cancer deaths in children and young adults under the age of 20.



An estimated 1.3 million people

in the United States are living with, or are in remission from, blood cancers.



1 RESEARCH

Since 1949, LLS has supported remarkable scientists whose work has led to breakthrough advances in blood cancer treatments. To date, LLS has invested more than \$1 billion in cutting-edge research, funding nearly all of today's most promising advances, and bringing us closer to cures.

We have invested more than
\$1 Billion
in cancer research since 1949.

4,000
research projects
have been supported
since 1949.

300
research projects are
being supported at any
given time.

Currently funding research at nearly
100 medical institutions
across the globe.

\$50-\$70 Million
has been invested annually over the past decade.



2 EDUCATION & SUPPORT

As the leading source of free blood cancer information, education and support for patients, survivors, families and healthcare professionals, LLS helps patients navigate their cancer treatments and ensures they have access to quality, affordable and coordinated care.

Nearly
2,000
inquiries per month
come in to LLS's
Information
Specialists from
people seeking
support.

More than
\$323 million
distributed in
co-pay financial
assistance

supported
more than
74,600
patients since
inception.

More than
1,000
clinical trial searches
were conducted for
patients in 2016.

More than
600,000
educational booklets about specific
diseases were distributed last year.

More than
700
connections were
made in 2016
between patients
and volunteers diag-
nosed with the same
disease through
LLS's Patti Robinson
Kaufmann First
Connection Program.

More than
4,000
patients and caregivers over the
past year joined LLS Community,
an online social network that
provides education and support.

Nearly
200
family support
groups across the
United States.



3 ADVOCACY

Through our nationwide grassroots network of 104,000 volunteers, LLS advocates for policies at the state and federal level, and is committed to removing barriers to care for blood cancer patients.

Advanced laws in **43** states and Washington, D.C., to ensure patients taking oral medications at home receive equitable coverage to patients treated in a clinic.

Helped pass the **21st Century Cures Act**
into law, ensuring reform that will enable the FDA to speed the review and approval of new therapies.

More than
30,000
letters were sent to
members of Congress.

100s
of calls were
made to House
leaders.

13,000
advocates contributed
to the passage of 21st
Century Cures Act.



Advocated to ensure
proposed federal health-
care legislation provides
stable, quality, affordable
coverage to the thou-
sands of blood cancer
patients impacted.

More than
19,000
letters sent and hundreds
of calls made to members
of Congress.



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We've seen
an average
decline of
20 percent
in blood
cancer
death rates
since the
1990s.



Since the
1960s,
survival rates
for many
blood cancer
patients have
doubled,
tripled
or even
quadrupled.

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