Make strides to end breast cancer.

Students for Strides!

One in three women will hear the words “You have cancer” in her lifetime, which means nearly every student has a woman in his/her life fighting the disease. Breast cancer affects our mothers, sisters, aunts, grandmothers, teachers and coaches. Encourage your schools to fight back against breast cancer by joining your American Cancer Society in Making Strides Against Breast Cancer!

There are opportunities for everyone to get involved! Whether it is a student organization (e.g. NHS, Key Club), teachers, athletic teams and coaches, PTA, other school staff or the whole student body. Crucial Catch and Coaches vs. Cancer offer unique opportunities for all sports to fight back against a disease that affects so many while increasing awareness and promoting healthy living. Students and facility can also choose to form Making Strides teams and host in-school fundraising activities.

Making Strides events are always in need of volunteers, both at the event and during the weeks leading up to it. To get involved, and learn more about these opportunities, call 248.663.3494 or email HowellMIStrides@cancer.org.

Donations can be made payable to the American Cancer Society and mailed to:
American Cancer Society, Attn: MSABC Howell, 20450 Civic Center Dr, Southfield, MI 48076

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Calendar of Events

MSABC of Howell Kick-Off
Wednesday, August 13 at 6:30 p.m.
Howell Opera House

MSABC of Howell Walk
Saturday, October 11 at 9 a.m.
Howell Court House

Connect With Us

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Know a company looking to engage their employees?

Partner with the American Cancer Society and strengthen your company’s morale while enhancing your company image. Nine out of ten employees feel more pride and loyalty when they see their company committed to the cause. Strides sponsors engage their employees in breast cancer awareness while raising funds for programs and research. Through their experience, employees learn strategies to reduce their cancer risk and improve their overall health.

If you think your company might be interested in learning more, email HowellMIstrides@cancer.org or call Amanda Van Sant at 248.663.3494. The 2014 Sponsorship Brochure is also available for download at MakingStridesWalk.org/HowellMI.

Do You Know Your ACS History?

Who doesn’t love a pop quiz?! See how much you know about the American Cancer Society's 100 year history. (answers are below)

1. In 1936, the _____ _____ _____ was formed. They took to the streets to educate people about cancer and raise money to save lives.
2. ACS’s work has lead to major medical advances like chemotherapy, the _____ test, and the _____.
3. ACS has funded ___ Nobel Prize winning researchers.
4. Today, ___ in 3 people diagnosed with cancer are surviving.
5. We celebrate ___ more birthdays every day that would have other been lost.
6. ACS launched the first 24/7 cancer information call center in ____. Today, nearly _____ people facing cancer call 1.800.227.2345 each year.

Answers: 1. Women’s Field Army; 2. pap test & the mammography; 3. 47; 4. 2; 5. 400; 6. 1997.1 million

Volunteer Profile: Alyceia Kimbrough

They discovered she, (my mother), carried the BRCA1 gene, so even though she is a breast cancer survivor, we can never truly feel the disease is gone since that gene is coursing through our family. When we heard the BRCA1 news, she sent me information provided by the American Cancer Society on nearby places I could go to get an affordable screening. Even though I was only 26, because of my family history, I began having yearly screenings earlier than is usually recommended. And I had a little scare of my own last year when the doctor found a lump. A needle biopsy came back as inconclusive, but luckily a further mammogram gave me an “all clear.” I am diligent with my annual screenings and diligent about raising awareness and funds for breast cancer research.