



# Our work improves lives.



## At a glance

### SCOPE OF THE PROBLEM:

More than  
**1.9 MILLION NEW CASES  
& 600,000 DEATHS**  
(1,700 per day) estimated in 2022.

### THE ACS IMPACT:

Each year, ACS touches more than  
**55 MILLION LIVES.**

More than  
**\$400 MILLION INVESTED IN  
RESEARCH GRANTS**

ACS works in over  
**20,000 COMMUNITIES**  
across the nation each year.

The American Cancer Society is a leading cancer-fighting organization with a vision to end cancer as we know it, for everyone. We are improving the lives of people with cancer and their families as the only organization combating cancer through advocacy, research, and patient support, to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to prevent, detect, treat, and survive cancer.

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The goal is to cut the cancer death rate in half in the next 25 years — at least by 50 percent.

President Joe Biden



[cancer.org](https://cancer.org) | 1.800.227.2345

Since 1991, there has been a 33% decline in cancer mortality. We can directly track declines in the overall cancer death rate to investment in advocacy, discovery, and direct patient support.



Advocacy

Access to breakthroughs in cancer prevention, detection treatment, and survivorship in 50 states, Puerto Rico, and Guam

- **Funding increased cancer research** to drive innovation in cancer screening, diagnostics, and treatment.
- **Reducing the tobacco burden**, still a leading cause of preventable cancer death.
- **Working to close the Medicaid coverage gap** so everyone has an affordable insurance option.
- **Expanding access to biomarker testing** to ensure there is equitable access to advances in precision medicine.



Discovery

\$400 million in grants driving research breakthroughs in cancer prevention, detection, treatment, and survivorship

- **Since 1991, we've invested more than \$3 billion in cancer research**, contributing to 3.5 million fewer cancer deaths.
- **\$419 million invested in multi-year cancer research grants** at ~200 institutions funding advances that improve lives.
- **Diversity in Cancer Research program provides grants to HBCU medical schools** and supports cancer health equity research centers at minority-serving institutions.
- **Funding grant projects to eliminate health disparities**, with a focus on prevention, early detection, and access to care in marginalized communities.
- **ACS researchers pioneered breakthroughs in early detection and survivorship**, and we continue to release annual cancer incidence and mortality data for the nation.



Patient Support

Direct support and education for people with cancer, caregivers, and clinicians in 20,000+ communities

- **Helping people prevent cancers in the US and globally**, through evidence-based prevention programs of impact.
- **Establishing cancer screening guidelines** to help people catch cancer early, when it may be easier to treat.
- **Reducing barriers to quality care** by providing more than 300,000 free rides to appointments, more than 300,000 free nights of lodging when treatment is far from home, and offering patient navigation through individualized support to patients, families, and caregivers.
- **Providing information and support that has touched more than 53 million lives to date**, including a 24/7 cancer helpline, cancer.org website, and online peer support community for patients, caregivers, and survivors.
- **Created the National Consortium for Cancer Screening and Care** (ACS National Consortium), a collective national response to the COVID-19 pandemic's detrimental impact on cancer screening and care.

