OUR ORGANIZATION

Since opening our doors in 2004, the Cancer Support Community of the Greater Lehigh Valley has provided a variety of programs and services for people affected by cancer. We've grown to deliver comprehensive psychosocial services in seven regional counties: Northampton, Lehigh, Berks, Carbon, Monroe and Schuylkill, as well as Warren, New Jersey. We are centrally located in Bethlehem, and also host off-site programs at other community organizations.

Our supportive and educational programs are an integral part of conventional medical treatment to help restore a sense of control, redefine hope, reduce stress and isolation, and educate participants to better manage their care during and after treatment.

All programs are free to participants, and we rely entirely on contributions from fundraising events and the generosity of foundations, corporations, and individual donors.





HERITAGE OF HOPE

If you have already included the Cancer Support Community in your Will or planned a gift in another form, please let us know so that we can appropriately include your name in the **Heritage of Hope** giving guild, and express our gratitude for your generosity. Contact the Executive Director at 610-861-7555 for additional information about bequeathing a special gift.

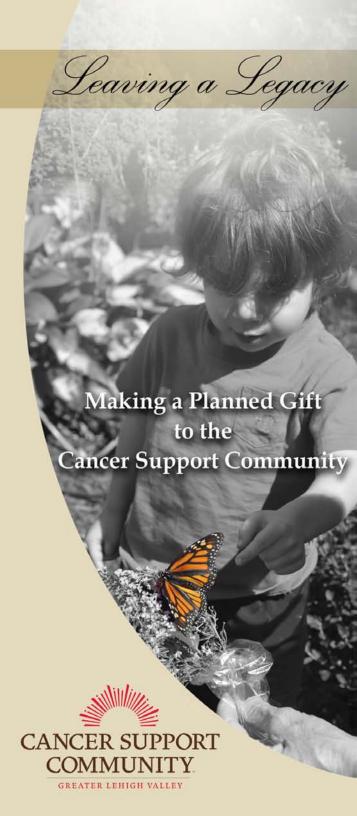
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A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the PA Dept. of State by calling 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.



So that no one faces cancer alone.®

OUR HISTORY

Founded in 1982 by Dr. Harold Benjamin in Santa Monica, California, the Cancer Support Community was initially called The Wellness Community. Its hallmarks remain - to provide support, education and hope through free programs in home-like settings. Among the early participants was the late comedienne Gilda Radner, whose friends established Gilda's Club on the east coast in her memory. In 2009, the two organizations merged into a 55-affiliate network to be named the Cancer Support Community. While affiliates benefit from the research of the headquarters as well as from each other's Best Practices, each is administratively and financially independent. Thus, all funds raised for the Cancer Support Community of the Greater Lehigh Valley stay in our region. The financial strength and secure future of our agency depends a great deal on the support we receive from individuals and businesses in our community.



We're planning ahead so that we can continue to meet the needs of current and future participants through their cancer journey.

Careful planning is the key to success. Through deferred or planned gifts, you can remember the people or places you consider important. In naming an agency to receive a planned gift of any size, you can make what you do today touch generations to come. Your legal or financial advisor can help you determine which type of gift is most beneficial to you, and to those you care about. Your planned gift will make a difference for years to come.







A planned gift is a way to determine during your lifetime where your assets will go - gifts to be given now or later.

In addition to making an outright contribution, one of the simplest ways to make a planned gift is through a bequest in a Will. Your legal or tax advisor can help you decide which of the three common ways of making a bequest best meets your wishes - a specific amount, a percentage of the estate, or the residue of the estate. Another easy way to plan a gift is to name an agency as the beneficiary of a savings account, life insurance policy, or retirement account. Planned giving benefits both your heirs and the Cancer Support Community by minimizing estate taxes, supporting our programs, and caring for your community. An outright bequest in a Will is one of the most convenient arrangements to leave a lasting legacy for an organization in which you believe. Your attorney or financial advisor can assist you as you plan, and can help you to make a gift for the future.

> "The capacity to care is the thing which gives life its deepest significance."

~ Pablo Casals, 20th Century Composer, Cellist



