



## SFA Spotlight - November 2017

**Welcome to our newsletter!** Please be on the lookout for this newsletter every month as a way to keep you more involved and engaged with information important to the SFA community.

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### 2017 Race to Cure Sarcoma™ Season Comes to a Close

The 2017 Race to Cure Sarcoma™ season has come to an end. The race year finished on high note with a phenomenal slate of events in Richmond, Chicago, Nashville and New Jersey.



**Richmond** was one of four new races in 2017. More than 200 people attended the race and helped to raise nearly \$18,000 towards sarcoma research. Prior to the race kick-off, participants were inspired by talks from local sarcoma survivors as well as Dr. Sosipatros Boikos, head of the VCU Massey Cancer Center's Sarcoma Program.



**Chicago** had an impressive turnout in its return as a part of the Race to Cure Sarcoma™ series. Despite the cold and wet weather, more than 400 participants raised over \$85,000 for the second year in a row.




**Nashville** came in strong for a first year race, surpassing \$50,000 raised for sarcoma research nationally and locally through the Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center. Participants and supporters enjoyed local foods, live music from native Nashville musicians, and heartfelt stories from survivors, patients and caregivers.



New Jersey wrapped up the 2017 race season as our final first-year race. Just under 200 participants raised more than \$42,000! Family and friends heard from local sarcoma survivors and caregivers who bravely shared their stories. The morning wrapped up with prizes for the top individual fundraiser, top team fundraiser and the largest team.

The SFA would like to extend one last giant THANK YOU to all of this year's race participants, donors, sponsors and supporters. These races depend on the support of our sarcoma community and we truly appreciate everything you've done to make them a success. We look forward to seeing you all again for the 2018 season!

## Be a Part of Giving Tuesday



**Black Friday. Cyber Monday.**

**#GIVINGTUESDAY™**

**November 28, 2017**

[www.curesarcoma.org/donate-year-end/](http://www.curesarcoma.org/donate-year-end/)

There are two days for scoring hot holiday deals - Black Friday and Cyber Monday. Did you know there is also a day set aside to give back? Please join us on Giving



Tuesday (Tuesday, November 28) to be a part of this global day of giving. You can support our mission by making your gift at <https://www.curesarcoma.org/donate-year-end/>.

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## Teen Comedy Contest for the #CureSarcoma Cause

*Post by Sara Jade Alan, a sarcoma survivor and author.*

On the evening of November 17, at Smoky Hill High School, Colorado's first-ever Teen Comedy Contest was held. In a cafeteria transformed by talented teen techies into a theater space complete with stage lighting, over fifty students from six high school improv troupes around the Denver metro area gathered together. They brought their energy, excitement, and chops for making-stuff-up-on-the-spot, all to benefit a great cause...and to compete for improv glory.



Read more at <https://www.curesarcoma.org/teen-comedy-contest-curesarcoma-cause/>.

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## SFA Research Grants

# Sarcoma Foundation of America Sarcoma Research Grant Program

The Sarcoma Foundation of America (SFA) is now accepting research grant proposals. Grants of \$50,000, allowing up to 10 percent indirect costs, are available to cover equipment and supplies in support of research on the etiology, molecular biology, pathogenesis, diagnosis, and treatment of human sarcomas.

**The SFA will only accept applications that focus on the following areas of research:**

- \* Omic characterization of sarcomas and definition of novel targets
- \* Omic patterns of sensitivity and resistance to existing agents
- \* Systemic therapy combinations
- \* Immunotherapy

The SFA raises funds to support basic research focused on discovering and developing new and effective therapies to treat and eradicate sarcoma.



Application deadline is January 31, 2018.

For details and guidelines, please visit  
[www.curesarcoma.org/research/apply-for-a-grant/](http://www.curesarcoma.org/research/apply-for-a-grant/).

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## Get Involved!

### Upcoming Events

**Saturday, January 27:**

[A CATpella Festival to Belt Out Cancer,  
Arlington, MA](#)

**Saturday, January 27:**

[Houston Patient Education Conference, "Ask the Experts"](#)



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