

SFA Spotlight - October 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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Race to Cure Sarcoma[™] Denver

A heartfelt thank you goes out to the participants, supporters, and volunteers who came together for another amazing Race to Cure Sarcoma[™] Denver! More than 600 people came out in support of our efforts to find a cure in our time. For the second year in a row, more than \$100,000 was raised for sarcoma research! Proceeds from the Race to Cure Sarcoma[™] Denver support sarcoma research both nationally, through the Sarcoma Foundation of America, and locally through the

efforts at the University of Colorado Cancer Center.

STL CureSarcoma 6K Run/Walk

The 4th annual STL Cure Sarcoma 6K Run/Walk took place on Sunday, October 8 at Creve Coeur Park in Maryland Heights, MO. With an amazing turnout of over 2,000 attendees, the event was a huge success. Participants were able to take part in a number of activities such as face painting, basket raffles and even a car smash!



This year's race raised more than \$165,000! Half of the money raised will fund sarcoma research locally at the Siteman Cancer Center with the other half used to fund research through the Sarcoma Foundation of America's national research grant program. A huge thank you to the STL Cure Sarcoma Committee for all of the hard work, effort, and time they put into this event.

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/.

For more information, please visit <u>https://www.curesarcoma.org/research/apply-for-a-grant/</u>.

Support SFA Through the Combined Federal Campaign



The 2017 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is now underway! Federal employees and retirees can pledge to support the Sarcoma Foundation of America in our mission to find the cure for sarcoma. Please choose CFC #57785 to designate SFA as your beneficiary. Please contact your workplace for more information on how you can participate.

Patient Education Conference Presentations Now Available Online



Videos from two of the 2017 Patient Education Conferences are now available online. Check out the presentations on topics like immunotherapy, clinical trials, and survivorship given by experts from the Duke Cancer Center and the Oregon Health and Science University on the Sarcoma Foundation of America's <u>website</u>.

There are two more opportunities to hear directly from experts and to connect with other patients and caregivers. Patient Education Conferences are still to be held in <u>Salt Lake City, UT</u>, in November and in <u>Miami, FL</u>, in December.

To access the presentations or to register for an upcoming Patient Education Conference, visit <u>https://www.curesarcoma.org/sarcoma-education-conferences/.</u>

Double Your Donation Through a Matching Gift



Many employers will match your charitable contribution. Gifts from employees' spouses and retirees may also qualify. This is an incredible way to DOUBLE (or possibly TRIPLE) your gift to the Sarcoma Foundation of America!

Even if you donated months ago, many companies allow employees to submit match requests for one year following the date of the donation. <u>Click here</u> to see if your company participates.

Sixth Annual Car Show for a Cure



Thank you to the Schnapp family and all of the volunteers who made the 6th Annual Car Show for a Cure a huge success! This year's event raised more than \$12,000. The Car Show for a Cure is held each year in memory of Derek Schnapp. For more information, please visit <u>http://www.carshow4acure.com/</u>.

Meet the SFA: Kristal Bryant



Kristal Bryant has been the Administrative Assistant for the SFA since April of this year. She enjoys serving as an advocate to the sarcoma community and being able to lend an ear for those going through difficult circumstances. "While I may not have answers, I feel that I make a difference in their day just by listening."

Fun fact: Kristal enjoys spending time with her husband and three amazing children and enjoys taking pictures of EVERYTHING!



Get Involved!

Upcoming Events

Friday, November 17: <u>Teen Comedy Contest for Sarcoma Awareness</u>, <u>Aurora, CO</u>

Saturday, November 18: Salt Lake City, UT, Patient Education Conference

Saturday, December 2: Miami, FL, Patient Education Conference

Interested in hosting an event in your area? Contact us at <u>events@curesarcoma.org</u>.

Looking for volunteer opportunities or other ways to get involved? Contact us at <u>getinvolved@curesarcoma.org</u>.



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