# SARCOMA FOUNDATION OF AMERICA



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## Sarcoma Community Event Offers Food, Fun and a Chance Meet with Others Affected by the Disease

Family-Friendly Event Will Feature Appearance by NFL player John Franklin-Myers

**Houston, Texas** – June 1, 2023 - The Sarcoma Foundation of America (SFA), an organization dedicated to increasing research and awareness for sarcoma, and The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center will hold a Sarcoma Community Event on Sunday, June 11, 2023, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, at James Driver Park in Houston, Texas. The day's program will feature comments by sarcoma survivors, sarcoma physicians, and SFA staff. A BBQ picnic lunch will be provided as well as kids' activities including a face painter, balloon artist and bounce house.

The event's scheduled special guest will be SFA Ambassador John Franklin-Myers of the New York Jets who is also a Texas native. Myers has been a long-time supporter of SFA and has been affected by sarcoma as his grandfather died from the disease in 2011. Franklin-Meyers will sign autographs and be available for interviews.

Sarcoma is a rare cancer in adults (1% of all adult cancers), but rather prevalent in children (about 20% of all childhood cancers). At any one time, more than 50,000 patients and their families are struggling with sarcoma. More than 16,000 new cases are diagnosed each year and nearly 7,000 people die each year from sarcoma in the United States.

"We're so pleased to bring this special program to Houston," says SFA CEO Brandi Fraser. "It's a unique opportunity to bring together sarcoma patients, survivors, their friends and loved ones to create lasting connections and build awareness of the disease."

There is no cost for the event, but pre-registration is required for each person attending. Go to <a href="https://p2p.onecause.com/communityevent">https://p2p.onecause.com/communityevent</a> to register.

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# About the Sarcoma Foundation of America

The Sarcoma Foundation of America (SFA), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization, is an advocate for increased research to find new and better therapies with which to treat patients with sarcoma. The organization raises money to privately fund grants for sarcoma researchers and conducts education and advocacy efforts on behalf of sarcoma patients. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.curesarcoma.org">www.curesarcoma.org</a>.

#### **About Sarcoma**

Sarcoma is a rare cancer in adults (1 percent of all adult cancers) but rather prevalent in children (about 15% of all childhood cancers). At any one time, 50,000 patients and their families are struggling with sarcoma. Every year, nearly 17,000 new cases are diagnosed and more than 7,000 people die from the disease.