

ANNUAL IMPACT



REPORT



HELPING PATIENTS AND FAMILIES FIND HOPE, EDUCATION, AND SUPPORT.

While each year brings its own unique challenges and successes, the Northwest Sarcoma Foundation continues to be steadfast in its mission to be a haven for those facing sarcoma in the PNW.

	Programs	Details	Outcome
384 Grants	Jenna & Bob Ortblad HELP\$ Grants	Unrestricted funds for patients in treatment.	Financial support during treatment.
250 Packages	Care Packages	Packages for patients & those who have lost someone.	Items to provide support during treatment.
201 Views	Researcher Update Nights	Presentations on the latest Sarcoma research.	Education by researchers on the latest in layman's terms.
58 Views	Patient Education Nights	Presentations on relevant topics by experts.	Education on important aspects of the cancer journey.
73 Attendees	Casual Chat	Peer support group for Sarcoma patients.	Provide support and hope for and by those on a similar journey.
127 Registrants	Community Fun Events	Events to bring together the Sarcoma Community.	Bring together a community of support and hope .



“My favorite part was to know that this foundation exist to help bring a little bit of joy and support to patients at all levels. Truly felt sense of community!”

- Caregiver

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

2025 was a year defined by momentum, innovation, and renewed commitment to the sarcoma community. Guided by our motto to ensure that no one faces sarcoma alone, the Northwest Sarcoma Foundation embraced change while expanding the ways we educate, support, and connect those affected by this rare cancer.

We launched our *Dare to C.A.R.E. about the Rare* campaign to elevate sarcoma awareness across the Pacific Northwest. This initiative reinforced the importance of recognizing sarcoma early, advocating for specialized care, and standing together as a community in support of patients and families.



In 2025, we provided a record number of Help\$ patient support grants and care packages, offering direct financial relief and comfort to individuals navigating treatment. The need for this support continues to grow, and we anticipate an even greater demand in the coming year, underscoring both the impact and importance of this program.

As we close 2025 and prepare to mark 30 years of service, we do so with gratitude, determination, and hope. Together, we are changing the sarcoma story, one patient, one provider, and one community at a time.

Spring Highlight

Executive Director, Jo McNeal, attended the Sarcoma Patient Advocacy Global Network conference. It was the first time the conference was held in the US. Over 10 different countries were represented in an effort to collaborate for sarcoma across the globe.

Summer Highlight

Through a grant provided by OHSU, we brought together over 50 Help\$ Grant sarcoma patients and survivors on a boat cruise. Learning and sharing with our sarcoma community.

Autumn Highlight

Portland Dragonslayer Fantasy Dash & Strut saw an increase in attendees, surpassing prior to COVID numbers.

Winter Highlight

Glass artist, Minhi England, shared her talents again this winter to create a NWSF navy blue globe ornament. 25 people from across the U.S. and abroad ordered these one-of-a-kind pieces.



2025 Annual Sarcoma Patient Advocacy Global Network conference. Representing over 10 countries focused on sarcoma advocacy.



NW Sarcoma Foundation received 2 trademarks in 2025. The dragon tail yellow ribbon and "Dare to C.A.R.E. about the Rare."

2026 Research Grant Recipient



Dr. Jianguo Huang
Providence Health & Services - Oregon
Epigenetic Drug Screening in BAP1-Driven Sarcomas

\$10,000



2026 Research Awardee -Dr. Jianguo Huang
Providence Health & Services - Oregon
Since 2011 over \$390K awarded in Research Grants

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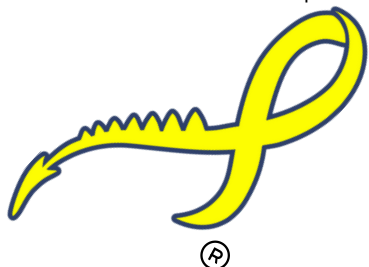
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