

Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical Center Foundation

2025 Philanthropy Impact Report Oncology

HOPE, HEALING, AND A COMMUNITY THAT STANDS TOGETHER

A cancer diagnosis can stop time. In a single conversation, life changes and fear sets in. Families search for steadiness in the unknown.

At Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical Center’s (LHAAMC) Geaton and JoAnn DeCesaris Cancer Institute, no one walks that journey alone.

Patients facing cancer receive more than advanced treatment. They are surrounded by expertise, compassion, and a community committed to walking beside them from diagnosis through recovery and beyond.

A SURVIVORSHIP PROGRAM SUSTAINED BY YOU

Going through treatment is a powerful milestone. But for many survivors, it is also the beginning of a new chapter that can feel overwhelming.

Thanks to supporters of Fish For A Cure, the Cancer Survivorship Program at the Geaton and JoAnn DeCesaris Cancer Institute is fully funded through philanthropy.

In 2025, more than 2,000 survivors received counseling, navigation, and wellness resources through this program. The 2025 Fish For A Cure Tournament, Paul C. Dettor Captain’s Challenge, and Shore Party raised a record-breaking \$1.2 million to sustain these essential services.



Winners of the 2025 Fish For A Cure Legends League, Reel Counsel raised a total of \$217,413.

2025 BY THE NUMBERS

County of Residence	LHAAMC surgeries with primary diagnosis of malignancy	LHAAMC Chemotherapy - Unique Patients	AAMC Radiation Oncology - Unique Patients
Anne Arundel County	980	205	1,073
Prince George’s County	406	101	242
Queen Anne’s County	150	30	118
Talbot County	47	4	12
Grand Total	1,583	340	1,445

MORE THAN A WIG. RESTORING CONFIDENCE AND DIGNITY.

Hair loss can deeply affect a patient’s confidence and identity during treatment.

Through our partnership with Eastern Shore-based EBeauty, LHAAMC has opened a private boutique offering free wigs, personalized fittings, and compassionate styling support.

Thanks to the generosity of EBeauty founder and LHAAMC Foundation Board Member Carolyn Keller, LHAAMC has a dedicated space that helps restore the dignity of our patients looking to face each day with confidence.

This space is about restoring dignity and empowering patients to face each day with confidence.

“It’s so special that we can help you get fitted for a wig so that you’re ready for that first night when you wake up and see your hair on your pillow, you can put on your wig and face the day and continue your fight with cancer.”

— Susanne Tameris, Vice President of Oncology Service Line, Luminis Health

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Cancer survivor Connie Connors, surrounded by her care team, rings the bell after finishing her treatment becoming the first to ring it.

MOMENTS THAT MARK NEW BEGINNINGS

Sometimes hope takes the shape of a simple sound.

A new tradition has begun at Luminis Health Plastic Surgery. One of LHAAMC's breast reconstruction patients donated a silver bell for others to ring after completing surgery.

Cancer survivor Connie Connors finished her treatment the same day the bell arrived, becoming the first to ring it. Surrounded by her care team, she marked the end of treatment and the beginning of a new chapter.

It is philanthropy that makes care better in so many ways and that create moments like these, reminding patients they are celebrated for their strength.

INVESTING IN THE PEOPLE WHO CARE

Exceptional cancer care relies on highly skilled, compassionate professionals. Thanks to the generosity of Carolyn Core, scholarships are helping build the next generation of oncology caregivers. Patients are already benefiting from this investment, with a newly trained Radiation Therapist and two mammography technicians now serving on our team.

COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CARE CLOSE TO HOME

Your generosity strengthens the full spectrum of oncology services at LHAAMC, ensuring patients receive coordinated, multidisciplinary care without leaving our community. Behind every treatment plan is a team collaborating across specialties, delivering exceptional care close to home.

EXTENDING COMPASSION BEYOND TREATMENT

Katherine's Light Foundation provided a named bench in the Healing Garden and a \$10,000 gift to the patient assistance fund so families facing cancer receive comfort and practical support when they need it most.

The Stef Ripple Foundation, established in memory of Stefanie Ashdowne, who bravely battled Stage IV ovarian cancer, made a generous gift of \$6,000 to support the Ovarian Patient Support Fund at LHAAMC's Geaton and JoAnn DeCesaris Cancer Institute.

Community partnerships are key in enabling us to ease the financial burden of treatment so patients can focus on healing.

THANK YOU FOR STANDING WITH OUR PATIENTS

Every treatment delivered. Every survivor supported. Every bell rang in celebration.

Your partnership makes it possible for hope to take root and healing to begin. Thank you for supporting our patients and families through one of life's most difficult journeys.