



**Wisconsin  
Cancer  
Collaborative**

# Kenosha Regional Meeting

May 18, 2026

# *Purpose of the Day*



MAKE CONNECTIONS



COLLABORATE



TAKE ACTION

# *Agenda*

- 9:00** Networking Breakfast
- 9:30** Welcome
- 9:45** Community Spotlight
- 10:00** Roundtable Discussion
- 10:45** Community Spotlight
- 11:00** Roundtable Discussion
- 12:00** Closing Remarks
- 12:15** Adjourn

# ***Become a Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative Member!***

- Online networking directory
- Monthly members-only newsletters
- Email alerts with new resources
- Free access to events
- Leadership opportunities
- Tools and resources to support your organization's efforts to implement the Wisconsin Cancer Plan 2020-2030
- Opportunities to collaborate with other Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative Members



## **Join Us!**

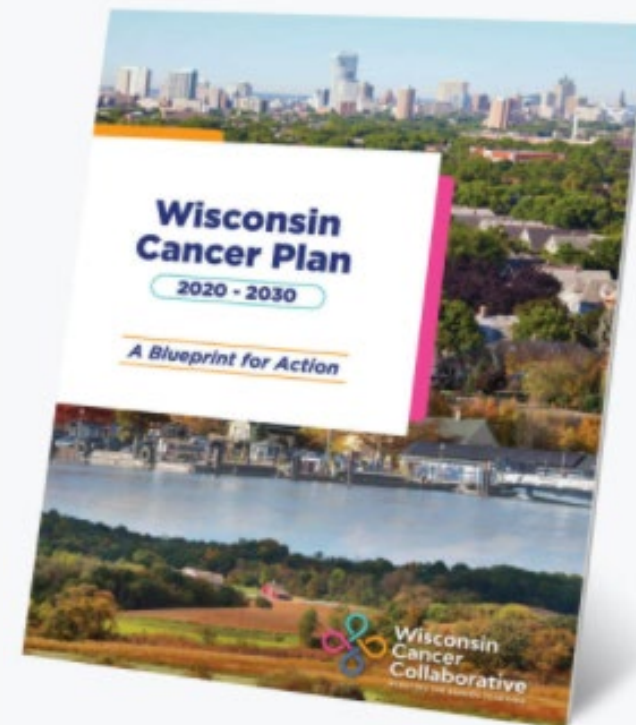
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<https://wicancer.org/join/>

# Wisconsin Cancer Plan 2020-2030

- Serves as a common framework and foundation for action for all working on cancer prevention and control in Wisconsin
- Designed to provide a vision of what needs to be done and the resources needed to reduce the burden of cancer in Wisconsin



[Wisconsin Cancer Plan  
2020-2030](#)

# Wisconsin Cancer Plan 2020-2030 Chapters

Chapter 1: Health Equity

Chapter 2: Risk Reduction

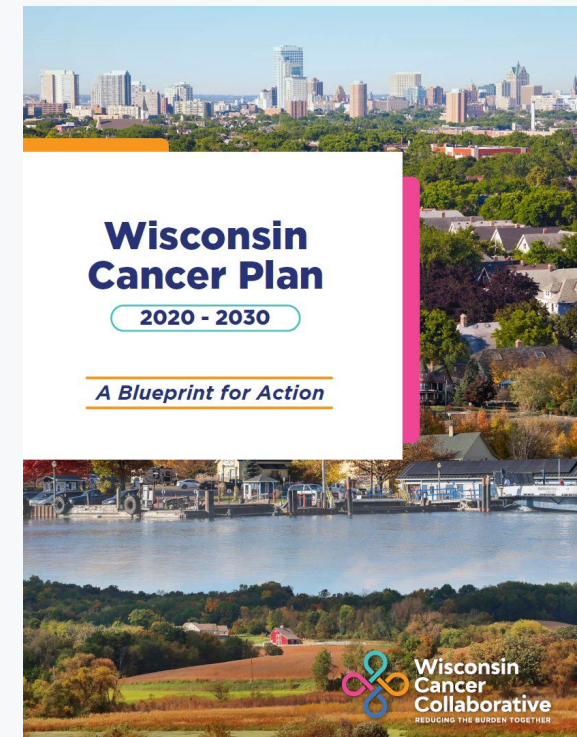
Chapter 3: Early Detection & Screening

Chapter 4: Treatment

Chapter 5: Survivorship

Chapter 6: End of Life

Chapter 7: Data



# County Cancer Profiles

## Printable 2025 County Cancer Profiles

View the printable PDF version of your County Cancer Profile. Select a county name from the drop-down menu below, and then click "View Profile."

Select a county ▼

[VIEW PROFILE](#)

**County Cancer Profiles Link:**

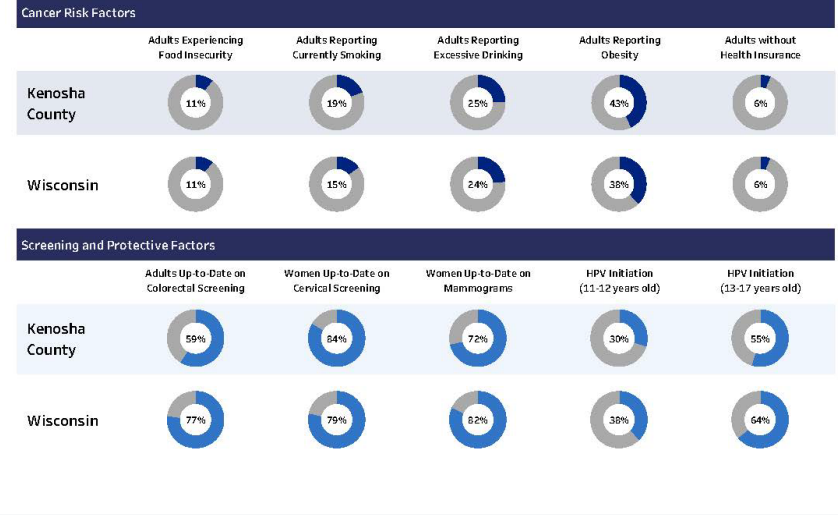
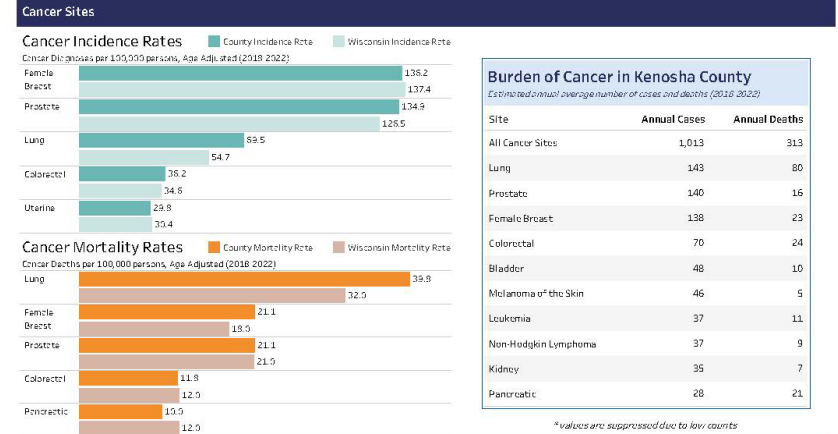


## New County Profiles with 2025 Data



### Cancer in Kenosha County

County Population 157,469  
 Estimated Annual Cases 1,013  
 Estimated Annual Deaths 313



# Look What We've Been Up To!

## Issue Brief

REDUCING THE BURDEN TOGETHER

### Radon in Wisconsin: Testing, Mitigation, and the Link to Lung Cancer

Allison Antoine, MPH, CHES,<sup>1</sup> Kim Dawson, MPH,<sup>2</sup> Amanda Koch, MPH,<sup>2</sup>  
Katie Lepak, MS,<sup>1</sup> and Olivia Steidl, MPH<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative and <sup>2</sup>Wisconsin Department of Health Services Radon Program

#### Introduction

Radon is a colorless, odorless, radioactive gas that comes from the natural breakdown of uranium in soil, rock, and water.<sup>1</sup> During this process, the soil beneath and around a home or other building can be the source for radon intrusion into the indoor air, mainly via entry through cracks and spaces in the basement and foundation.<sup>2</sup> As uranium is naturally broken down, radon can also be found in groundwater, although the risk of exposure via groundwater in Wisconsin is generally much less than radon gas in indoor air. As a natural component of the Earth's crust and atmosphere, radon is found all over Wisconsin and the world.

#### Key Takeaways

- Radon exposure is the leading cause of lung cancer among people who have never smoked and the second leading cause for people who have a history of smoking.
- There are opportunities to support improved radon testing, mitigation, and quality data collection to reduce exposure and decrease lung cancer risk.
- While there are radon protections in early child care settings, there is an opportunity for continued protection for students in K-12 schools to ensure that all students have limited radon exposure in their learning environments.

#### Radon's Link to Lung Cancer

As radon decays, it breaks down into radioactive particles that can be inhaled. Once these particles enter your lungs, they can further damage the DNA in lung epithelial cells. Prolonged exposure to these DNA-damaging particles may lead to lung cancer. The association between radon exposure and lung cancer has been demonstrated throughout the literature in numerous cohort studies of miners over many decades, dating back to the 1960s.<sup>3</sup>

Test, Fix, Save a Life. Learn more at [epa.gov/radon](http://epa.gov/radon).

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## COLORECTAL CANCER IN WISCONSIN

A REPORT BY THE WISCONSIN CANCER COLLABORATIVE

Winter 2026

## CANCER IN WISCONSIN

THE SECOND LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH

### 39,750

people are diagnosed with cancer each year.

#### YOU CAN DECREASE YOUR CANCER RISK BY:

Reducing access, use, and exposure to commercial tobacco products

Limiting alcohol consumption

Engaging in healthy eating and active lifestyles

Receiving cancer prevention vaccines

Receiving recommended cancer screenings

Reducing ultraviolet ray exposures

### 50%

of all cancer deaths are preventable.

#### FIVE MOST COMMON INVASIVE CANCERS\* IN WISCONSIN:

- 1 Prostate
- 2 Female Breast
- 3 Lung & Bronchus
- 4 Colorectal
- 5 Melanoma

#### FIVE LEADING CAUSES OF CANCER DEATH IN WISCONSIN:

- 1 Lung & Bronchus
- 2 Prostate
- 3 Female Breast
- 4 Pancreatic
- 5 Colorectal

#### AVAILABLE CANCER SCREENINGS:

- Breast
- Cervical
- Colorectal
- Lung
- Prostate

Talk to your healthcare provider about which cancer screenings are right for you.

\*Invasive cancer excludes basal and squamous cell carcinomas of the skin except when they occur on the skin of the genital region, head and neck, and in the central nervous system, and in situ cancer except uterine and bladder. Urinary bladder cancer includes invasive and in situ.

Scan for infographic references and more resources.

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# Community Spotlight

**Brittany Phillips, BSN, RN, OCN**  
**Cancer Nurse Navigator**  
Aurora Cancer Care - Kenosha



# Advocate Aurora: Kenosha Cancer Care

Brittany Phillips RN, BSN, OCN  
Oncology Nurse Navigator

# Cancer Prevention and Risk Assessment:

- ▶ Hereditary Cancer Prevention and Management Center
- ▶ Genetic Counseling and Testing
- ▶ Breast Cancer Risk Assessment
- ▶ High risk breast clinics
- ▶ Lung cancer screening

# Aurora Cancer Care: Wisconsin Region

- ▶ Comprised of 18 cancer clinics
- ▶ 44 Medical Oncologists
- ▶ 36 Advanced Practice Providers
- ▶ 39 Oncology Nurse Navigators
- ▶ Radiation Oncologists along with radiation oncology team
- ▶ Specialized Surgeons dedicated to oncology surgeries: Breast, GYN, Thoracic, Complex surgical oncology, Colorectal, Urology, Liver Transplant
- ▶ Collaborates with multiple different areas to manage patient care: Interventional Radiology (Y-90, port insertions, biopsies, ect.), Women's Imaging, PCP offices and a varies of specialty departments

# Multidisciplinary Care:

- ▶ Aurora Cancer Care offers multiple specialty clinics for particular cancer diagnoses; offering prospective treatment planning and recommendations lead by medical experts with access to advanced technology resources.
- ▶ This model of care provides unparalleled support to physicians and their patients with a cancer diagnosis.
- ▶ Weekly Cancer Case Conferences based on diagnosis: multidisciplinary conference that discusses patient cases for treatment plan decisions: includes pathologist, interventional radiologist, surgeons, medical oncologists, radiation oncologists, research coordinator, genetic counselor, oncology nurse navigators, cancer rehab PT
- ▶ Precision Medicine Clinic: Cases are reviewed along with testing results (Foundation One) to determine specific targeted medications for patients

# Supportive Services for Patients:



- ▶ Integrative Cancer Care: Acupuncture, Aromatherapy, Massage Therapy, Reiki, Art Therapy
- ▶ Dietitians, social workers, cancer supportive counselors, research nurses
- ▶ Patient advocacy through Oncology Nurse Navigators
- ▶ Kenosha Multidisciplinary Clinics: Breast and Lung includes surgeon, medical oncologist and radiation oncologist along with nurse navigator meets with patient at designated appointment to make a cancer treatment plan for patient
- ▶ Survivorship Services offered to patients: Survivorship visit with APC at clinic

# Supportive Services for Patients:

- ▶ Free wig program for patients on chemotherapy treatment that will lose their hair
- ▶ Cancer support groups/workshops for cancer patients, as well as tailored to specific cancer patients
- ▶ Examples of groups and workshops offered: breast cancer support group, AYA vibes supportive group, sexual health & cancer care workshop
- ▶ Food and gas cards when available, along with grants when applicable
- ▶ Food pantry available to patients at Racine, Kenosha and Sinai clinics to help with food insecurity in the community



# Food Pantry at Racine Clinic:

(Yovanka Kienzle, ONN, Brittany Phillips, ONN, and Liz Duchac, RD)

# Post treatment/ Survivorship:

- ▶ Oncology Nurse Navigators teach patients about:
  - Follow-up testing
  - Long-term side effects
  - Signs and symptoms of cancer returning
  - Wellness
- ▶ Assist with patient/physician communication
- ▶ Help form questions about follow-up and wellness
- ▶ Reassess level of distress, provide emotional support and make appropriate referrals to support services
- ▶ Discuss available Aurora Health Care and community resources and services:
  - Survivorship Services
  - Integrative Medicine
  - Sexual Health
- ▶ Discuss Advanced Directives



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# Roundtable Discussion

# Community Spotlight



**Keeshia Jones**

**President**

Southeast Wisconsin Affiliate Chapter of Sisters Network® Inc.



**Debra Nevels, MSHCM**

**Program Director of Community Outreach & Engagement**

Medical College of Wisconsin



**Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative Regional Meeting  
Kenosha Civil War Museum  
Monday, May 18th, 2026**

***“Building Partnerships for Community Impact”***

**Keeshia Jones, Patient Advocate  
President, Sisters Network Southeast Wisconsin**

**Deb Nevels, Program Director, Community Outreach &  
Engagement, MCW Cancer Center**



## Our Mission

Sisters Network® Inc. is committed to increasing local and national attention to the devastating impact that breast cancer has in the Black community.

## Our Vision

To transform Black breast cancer outcomes by fostering a collective movement to drive lasting systemic change toward health equity, access, education and peer support through our strong sisterhood network.



A NATIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN BREAST CANCER SURVIVORSHIP ORGANIZATION

celebrating  
**30 YEARS**  
THE NATIONAL LEADER  
AND PIONEER IN THE BLACK  
BREAST CANCER MOVEMENT  
— EST. 1994 —

### OUR HISTORY

Sisters Network® Inc. (SNI), is founded in by Karen Eubanks Jackson, 31-year four-time breast cancer survivor, a pioneer in the black breast cancer movement, National Breast Cancer Advocate and Speaker. Jackson is also and author of her memoir, *In the Company of My Sisters: My Story, My Truth*.

Founded in 1994, Sisters Network® Inc. is the oldest and **largest** national black breast cancer survivorship organization in the United States. SNI is the leading voice and the only national black-led survivorship organization with **“boots on the ground”** with **over 25+ survivor-run affiliate chapters located in major U.S. cities**. The organization is governed by an elected national Board of Directors, provided medical guidance by a national Medical Advisory Board.



To amplify awareness and education that there is breast cancer crisis in the Black community.



Provide the support and sisterhood through our extensive 25+ survivor-run affiliate chapters in major U.S. cities.



Mobilize and provide advocacy training to our affiliate network of survivors and ambassadors to take action and advocate for change on the state and federal level to help save our Sisters' lives.



To improve black women's access to mammogram screenings, quality care and access to resources and information.

**KAREN E. JACKSON**  
Founder/CEO



# Our Mission & Creed

## *National Creed*

In Unity there is

*Strength*

In Strength there is

*Power*

In Power there is

*Change* © KEJ, 1995

## *Mission*

Sisters Network® Inc. is committed to increasing local and national attention to the devastating impact that breast cancer has in the African American community.





# BLACK WOMEN AND BREAST CANCER FACTS AND FIGURES

Breast Cancer is the most fatal health issue for Black Women.

Black Women have a **31%** breast cancer mortality rate—the highest of any U.S. racial or ethnic group. (Breast Cancer Prevention Partners)

Black Women are **42%** more likely to die of breast cancer. (Breast Cancer Prevention Partners)

Black Women **FEAR** a cancer diagnosis and often **AVOID** screening. (NIH)

**5-YEAR** Survival is 81% for Black Women vs 91% for White Women. (ACS)

Breast cancer is the most **COMMON CANCER** among Black Women. (ACS)

Black Women **UNDER 35** get breast cancer at two times the rate of White Women and die at three times the rate. (ACS)

Black Women have a 2.3 times higher odds of being diagnosed with Triple-Negative Breast cancer. Among women who were diagnosed with breast cancer, those diagnosed at late stages were 69% more likely to have triple-negative cancer than other types.

The odds of advanced (stage III/IV) disease versus stage I disease among Black Women were almost **4 TIMES** those of White Women. (NIH)

Black Women account for **12.5%** of all new breast cancer cases and **15.5%** of all breast cancer deaths. (ACS)

# Sisters Network Southeast Wisconsin Affiliate Chapter

VOL. 14, NO. 5 JANUARY 2022

The RACINE MIRROR

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## Sisters Network® of Southeastern Wisconsin

The Sisters Network of Southeastern Wisconsin was inaugurated in January 2021, in partnership with Sisters Network® Inc. National Office. The members provide direct support to African American breast cancer survivors in the local community and present innovative education and outreach programs to encourage African American women to make breast health a priority.

To obtain more information about upcoming meetings, programs and events email the Southeast Wisconsin Sisters Network® Affiliate Chapter at [sewisconsin@sistersnetworkinc.org](mailto:sewisconsin@sistersnetworkinc.org) or call 262.488.7465 (PINK).



While the incidence of breast cancer among African American women is close to that of White women, the death rate from breast cancer is higher among African American women.

As a sisterhood of African American breast cancer survivors – we know that self-awareness, screening, and early detection is our best protection against breast cancer!

For us our pink and black attire is not a fashion statement it's personal!

Our network of African American sister survivors and co-survivors is on a mission to further reach and serve the masses!

We are committed to the Sisters Network® creed – In Unity there is Strength. In Strength there is Power. In Power there is Change!

We are committed to using our time, our voices, our talents, and our treasures to affect a positive change, to stop the silence, and to spread the word that self-awareness, screening, and early detection is our best protection!

We honor the legacy of Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. with our commitment to service!

## Quick Facts

- *Established January 2021*
- *Focused on Kenosha, Racine, and Milwaukee Counties & Northern Illinois*
- *First-time chapter in Kenosha and Racine*
- *Breast cancer survivors hold office; others are associate members & volunteers*
- *Currently 55 members*
- *Monthly Meetings – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month at 5:30*
- *Members include survivors, caretakers, nurses, doctors, educators & other supporters*



***Sisters Network Of Southeast Wisconsin  
Executive Team***



***Keeshia Jones  
President***



***Lynell Cunningham  
Vice-President***



***Stella Jones  
Secretary***



***Adelene Greene  
Treasurer***



***Monique Morris  
Assistant Treasurer***



***Sherisa Benson  
Membership Chair***



***Jennifer White  
Chaplain***

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# Committee Membership



- **Health & Education:**
  - Educational Webinars & Presentations
  - Breast Cancer Resources
  - SHE Day Health & Resource Fair
- **Membership & Outreach:**
  - New Members Orientation
  - Care Packages, Cards (Birthday/Sympathy)
  - Survivors Meet-Ups
- **Pink Ribbon Initiative:**
  - Faith Based Outreach Events
  - In-Person Ministry Events
- **PR & Fundraising:**
  - Sponsorship & Fundraising Outreach
  - Strength in Her Stride Walks
  - Pink Chair Affair Survivorship Celebration
  - Pink Quarterly

# Chapter Outreach Goals



## Support

### Support women diagnosed with breast cancer

- Conduct monthly support meetings & telephone check-ins, home visits
- Provide information and personal care items to newly diagnosed patients and survivors
- Provide financial resources for medical & living expenses from National and/or Chapter resources

## Educate

### Provide breast awareness resources to local community

- Distribute resources & information at community Health Fairs & Workshops
- Provide quarterly educational Webinars on breast cancer awareness
- S.H.E. Day (Sisters Health Empowered Wellness & Resource Fair)
- PINK Chair Affair (Fundraiser Luncheon to Celebrate Survivors & Supporters)

## Outreach

### Provide National Outreach programs to local community

- Stop the Silence Walk to raise funds for financial assistance program
- Pink Ribbon Initiative – create connections with faith partners to share information
- BCAP – Share information with community about financial assistance and free mammograms



# Sisters Network Community Partners



- ABCD: After Breast Cancer Diagnosis
- [American Cancer Society](#)
- [American Cancer Society – Cancer Action Network](#)
- Breast Assure
- Chi Eta Phi Nursing Sorority
- Genentech
- Greenway Herbal & Healing, LLC
- [John J. & Ruth F. Kloss Foundation](#)
- Leaders of Kenosha
- [Medical College of Wisconsin Cancer Center](#)
- Nurses Affecting Change
- Professional Women’s Network for Service
- Racine/Kenosha Black Nurses Association
- SHE Thrives
- Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority
- The Pink Table Talk
- Urban League of Racine/Kenosha
- Wisconsin Breast Cancer Coalition
- Wisconsin Well Woman Program

# Building Partnerships for Community Impact

## SHE Day Health & Wellness Resource Fair - Kenosha:

- Free event for over 120 attendees annually
- Provided Cancer Awareness Resources during Health Fair to all attendees
- Provided access to Clinical Breast Exams through Nurses Affecting Change assisting over 90 ladies during 4 year period

## Sisters Network Southeast Wisconsin Virtual Webinars:

- Hosted over 15 Virtual webinars on topics such as:
  - Breast Cancer Risks, Family History, Nutrition, Advocacy
- Provided medical health professionals to share clinical expertise & presentations



## Strength In Her Stride Breast Cancer Awareness Walks - Kenosha & Racine:


- Provided Cancer Awareness & Education during event
- Over 75 attendees annually representing survivors, caregivers, community

## Pink Chair Affair Brunch & Survivorship Celebration Kenosha & Racine:

- Provided Support to Honor Survivors & Members with lunch, educational resources & speaker presentations; recognition for Community Supporters

1. >80% of MCWCC patients live 

2. High cancer mortality, risks, and health disparities

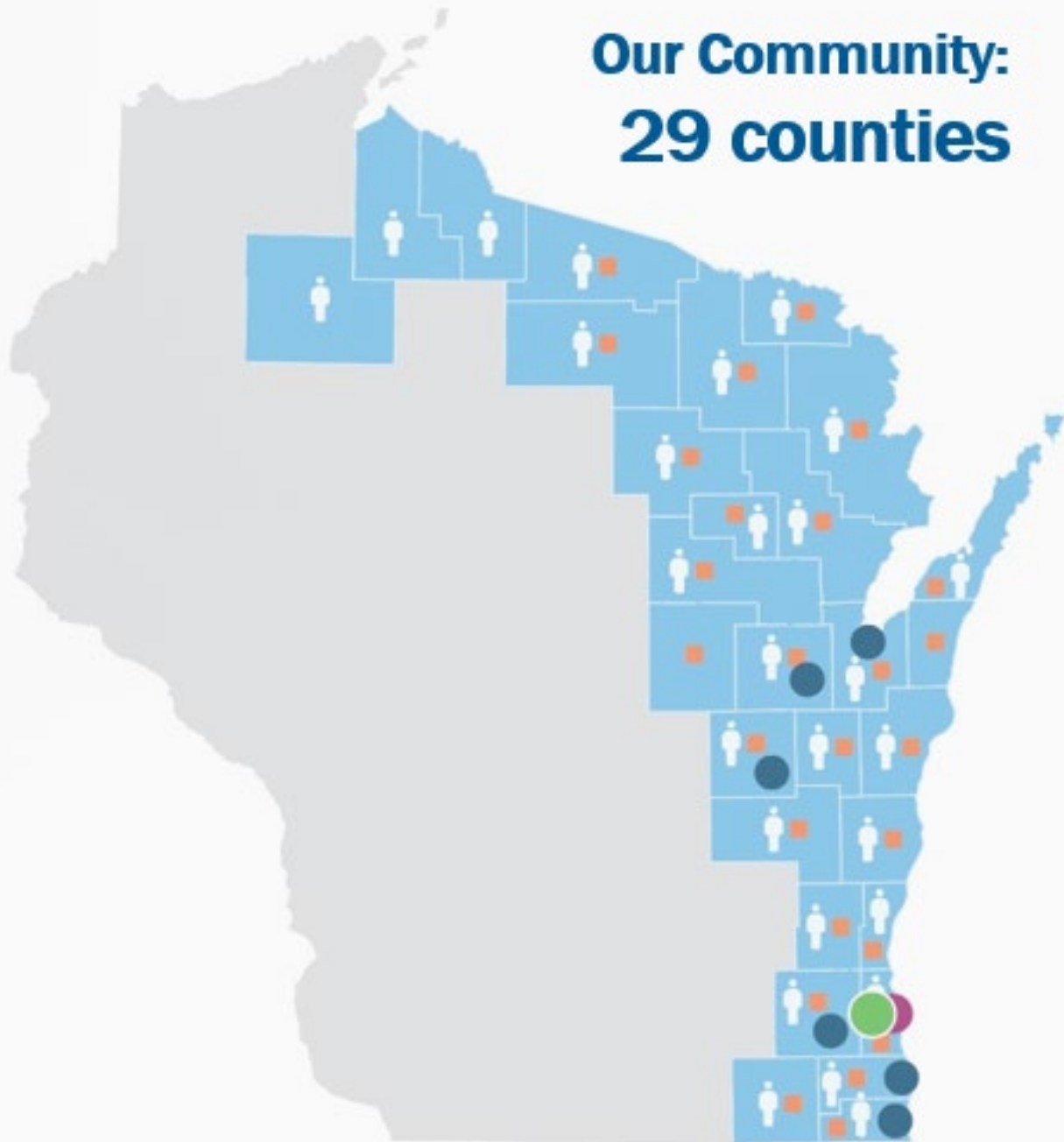
3. Demonstrated role in addressing the cancer burden through outreach, screening, trial access, and/or research 

**3.4M** reside in Catchment Area

<b>2,847,484</b> White	84% of CA	59% of WI White
<b>353,499</b> AA/Black	10% of CA	85% of WI AA/Black
<b>57,213</b> AI/AN	1.7% of CA	74% of WI AI/AN
<b>335,432</b> Hispanic	10% of CA	74% of WI Hispanic
<b>765,523</b> Rural	22% of CA	40% of WI Rural

**7** of the most populous cities (●), Milwaukee (●); MCWCC (●)

# Our Community: 29 counties



## COE programming is built on partnership, education, and action, with initiatives that:

- **Listen and Learn** – Collaborate with community leaders, organizations, and residents to understand local cancer burdens, barriers, and strengths.
- **Educate and Empower** – Provide culturally tailored education and outreach to promote cancer prevention, early detection, and healthy lifestyle behaviors.
- **Connect and Navigate** – Help individuals access screening, treatment, clinical trials, and survivorship resources.
- **Inform and Collaborate** – Work closely with researchers to shape studies that address real-world challenges and ensure findings are shared back with the community.
- **Advocate and Lead** – Support policies and partnerships that advance equity in cancer care, prevention, and outcomes.

# Focus Groups

## Insight

Across all focus groups, participants articulated a unified vision for cancer engagement that is:

- Relationship-driven
- Community-centered
- Plain-language
- Navigation-supported
- Survivorship-focused
- Equity-oriented
- Partnership-based

There is strong consensus that improving cancer outcomes requires moving beyond awareness toward sustained, trusted, and coordinated systems of support rooted in community realities.

# Strength In Her Stride Walks (Kenosha & Racine)



Are You Ready To Walk For A Cause?

Racine Edition  
September 7th  
**BREAST  
CANCER  
Awareness**  
RUN - WALK - HAVE FUN

Registration & Check In: 8:00 A.M. Greetings & Warm Up: 8:30 A.M. Walk Begins: 9:00 A.M.  
Saturday, September 7th, 2024  
Lake Michigan Pathway  
Beginning At The Splashpad  
114 Sixth Street, Racine WI 53403  
Don't Delay And Register Today Via Eventbrite - Online Registration Closes September 6th



# SHE Day (Sisters Health Empowered)

**SISTERS HEALTH EMPOWERMENT DAY**  
FREE EVENT PROMOTING WOMEN'S HEALTH & WELLNESS

**SATURDAY MAY 14, 2022**  
9:30AM TO 1:00PM

**Gateway Technical College**  
Madrigano Center - Haribo Hall  
3520 30th Avenue - Kenosha, WI

9:30am to 11:00am: Community Health Resource Fair  
11:00am to 1:00pm: Program

Enjoy refreshments, networking, door prizes and a prize for the group with most guests present!

**MEET OUR EMCEE & GUEST SPEAKERS**



**Dr. Sonya Cooks, DNP, RN, CNE**  
Nursing Faculty  
Gateway Technical College  
Mistress of Ceremony



**Robin Gatties, MBA, MSN, RN**  
Assistant Professor, School of Nursing, Milwaukee School of Engineering  
Speaking 11:20am



**Dr. Dominique Pritchett, PhD, LCSW**  
Owner & Licensed Therapist  
Beloved Wellness Center  
Speaking 11:55am



**Gale Johnson, MPA**  
Director, WI Well Woman Program, WI Department of Health Services  
Speaking 12:55pm

Register Online Via Eventbrite. Email or Phone  
Eventbrite: Search for S.H.E. Day 2022  
sewisconsin@sistersnetworkinc.org | (262) 488-7465

**SHE DAY 2024**  
"Sisters Health Empowered"  
"I Am My Sister's Keeper"

9:30am - 1:00pm

**Meet Your SHE DAY Speakers!**

**SHE DAY 2023**  
"Sisters Health Empowered"  
Saturday, May 20th, 2023  
9:30 am - 1:00 pm  
Gateway Technical College  
3520 30th Avenue, Kenosha, WI

Join us for a free women's health event promoting breast cancer awareness & community wellness resources.

9:30am - 11:00am - Health & Resource Fair  
11:00am - 1:00pm Speakers & Survivor's Panel  
Refreshments & Door Prizes



**Adrienne Cobb, MD, MS**  
Surgical Oncology Professor  
Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin



**Dana Johnson**  
Founder - The Pinktablets Podcast,  
Wisconsin Breast Cancer Coalition Board &  
National Breast Cancer Coalition Team Leader

Use link below to register or search Eventbrite for SHE Day:  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/she-day-2023-sisters-health-empowerment-day-registration-61893079767>

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Questions? Please Contact Us:

**SHE Day 2025**  
Sisters Health Empowered  
"Together We Thrive"  
Saturday, June 28th, 2025 9:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.  
Gateway Technical College  
3520 30th Avenue, Kenosha WI

Promoting Wellness and Breast Health Across the Care Continuum:  
Risk Management, Screening and Treatment

**Panel Moderator:**  **Dr. Sandra Miller, Underwood, R.N., Ph.D., FAAN**  
Professor, UW System

**Panel Moderator:**  **Dr. Aronita Williams**  
Chief Medical Officer  
Milwaukee Health Services, Inc.

**Panel Moderator:**  **Dr. Shante Chavis, Loretta**  
Family Medicine & Weight Loss

Supporting In-Sickness & Health: A Husband's Caregiver Journey

**Panel Moderator:**  **Darnell Greene**  
U.S. Army Retired LTC

**Panel Moderator:**  **Richard Morris**  
(Wife: Shante) 2 year Survivor

**Panel Moderator:**  **School Dorman**  
(Wife: Shante) 2 year Survivor

**Panel Moderator:**  **Michael Smith**  
(Wife: Diane) 1 year Survivor

**Sponsorship Provided By:**  
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**Survivor's Panel**  
"Sister's Keeper"



# Pink Chair Affair



  
 Sisters Network of Southeast Wisconsin  
*3rd Annual Pink Chair Affair Brunch*  
*Showing Your Hatitude Flair!*

Two Tickets Include:

- A delicious Brunch buffet!
- Hot Chocolate Station!
- Live Music!
- Breast Cancer Awareness Celebration




1st Annual Pink Chair Affair



# My Sister's CARE Packages & Sisters in Support Financial Assistance Fund

With the help of grant funding from local donors, community support & partner organizations, we offer free care packages and financial assistance programs to help support breast cancer patients.

Patients can apply for our Sisters In Support Financial assistance fund to help with medical and living expenses.

We send My Sister's CARE boxes to help support women in our local communities receiving radiation and chemotherapy treatment. Some items included:

- ❖ Cozy Socks & Blankets
- ❖ Fragrance free - Soaps, Lotions and Deodorants
- ❖ Journals & Adult coloring books
- ❖ Water Bottles
- ❖ Hats and Scarves
- ❖ Coloring Books
- ❖ Gift Cards



ASSISTANCE WITH



Housing



Medical



Transportation



Utility Bills

★ Over 50 Care Packages  
★ 15 Assistance Grants  
for \$500 or more

# Sisters Helping Sisters Grant



## 2025 IMPACT REPORT



**PROGRAM OVERVIEW:** Sisters Helping Sisters (SHS) is a micro-grant program to provide grant funds to SNI local affiliate chapters for breast health programming. All chapters are eligible to apply through a competitive application process. Over 25 affiliate chapters submitted applications.

### 2025 SISTERS HELPING SISTERS AFFILIATE CHAPTER GRANTEES:

- Sisters Network Inc. NE Florida Affiliate Chapter (Jacksonville, FL)
- Sisters Network Inc. Orlando Affiliate Chapter (Orlando, FL)
- Sisters Network Inc. West Central Florida Affiliate Chapter (Tampa, FL)
- Sisters Network Inc. Leesburg Affiliate Chapter (Leesburg, GA)
- Sisters Network Inc. Triangle Affiliate Chapter (Durham, NC)
- Sisters Network Inc. Greensboro Affiliate Chapter (Greensboro, NC)
- Sisters Network Inc. Central Virginia Affiliate Chapter (Richmond, VA)
- Sisters Network Inc. SE Wisconsin Affiliate Chapter (Kenosha, WI)

Program Period: March - November 2025

### OVERALL IMPACT FROM SISTERS HELPING SISTERS:

<b>Direct Impact:</b> <b>1,383</b> Total Attendees	<b>Medical Experts:</b> Over <b>10</b> Medical Experts Participated	<b>Age Demographics</b> Women and Men Ages <b>25-75</b>
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### MEDICAL EXPERTS

- Deena Wahba, MMSc, LCGC
- Cathy Shoemaker, RN, BSN, OCN
- Dr. April Washington, RN, FNP, MD
- Dr. Adrienne Cobb, MCW
- Dr. Sharee Chance-Lawson, DO
- Dr. Sandra Millon-Underwood, R.N., Ph.D
- Katherine Reeder-Hayes, MD
- Kyndall N. Truett, BS, ACSM-CPT, CET
- Dr. Ryan Gabriel, MD
- Arnethea Sutton, PhD

### PARTICIPATING MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS & UNIVERSITIES

- Baycare Health System
- Exodus Recovery, Inc.
- Georgia Pines Community Service Board
- Drexel Town Square Health Center
- College of Nursing at the University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee
- University of North Carolina
- Orlando Health Hospital
- VCU/MCV Massey Cancer Center

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### SHS GRANTEE BREAST HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS/EVENTS:



**SNI Chapter: Tampa Bay Affiliate Chapter (Tampa, FL)**

**Event: "Walk in the Pink Awareness Walk"**

**Goal/Purpose:** Fostered community and sisterhood by offering participants the opportunity to connect, support one another, and promote wellness while walking together along the scenic trails at Lowry Park.

**Date:** September 27, 2025

**Attendees:** 185 (In-person)

**SNI Chapter: Southwest Georgia Affiliate Chapter (Leesburg, GA)**

**Event: "Because She Matters- Survivor Brunch & Tea"**

**Goal/Purpose:** Educate breast cancer survivors and patients by emphasizing the importance of resilience and emotional well-being after diagnosis. The event focused on practical strategies to support and balance mental health during survivorship, helping attendees navigate life beyond treatment.

**Date:** October 11, 2025

**Attendees:** 75 (In-person)

**SNI Chapter: Triangle Affiliate Chapter (Durham, NC)**

**Event: "20th Annual Tea For Two Pink Awareness Campaign"**

**Goal/Purpose:** Educate and engage women across faith-based, community service, and healthcare communities about the importance of breast health. The event focused on increasing

Arnethea Sutton, PhD is an assistant professor in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Sciences at VCU/MCV Massey Cancer Center. She explained the different types of clinical trial, how they work and how we can find the trial that is right for you.

Brehanda Lewis-Cull, MS, LPC is a solo practitioner and owner of First Choice Counseling Service. She challenged us with "Sistas, What's on Your Plate?"

**Date:** October 18, 2025

**Attendees:** 82 (In-person)

**SNI Chapter: SE Wisconsin Affiliate Chapter (Kenosha, WI)**

**Event: "Pink Ribbon Sunday"**

**Goal/Purpose:** Sisters Network Southeast WI hosted a total of 3 Pink Ribbon Sunday events at local churches which included Survivors sharing their breast cancer journeys in addition to a local medical professional giving a presentation on Breast Cancer Signs and Treatments. After the presentation there was an opportunity for a Q&A session with the Dr. & Survivors. At each event, refreshments were served in addition to a giveaway bag full of resources. We also had a Sisters Network resource table full of materials and membership applications. Nurses in attendance gave clinical breast exams after the worship service.

**Date:** 10/12/25; 10/18/25; 10/26/25

**Attendees:** 210 (In-person combined total)

# Upcoming Events



Saturday, June 20th, 2026, 9:30am-11am

Kenosha Emerging Leaders Academy, Kenosha, WI

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# Online Resources



## QUESTIONS TO ASK

### TIPS TO MAKE YOUR VISIT WITH THE PHYSICIAN A SUCCESS:

Bring this list of questions, a pen and paper to write down the answers. Also bring copies of your pathology report.

Bring a family member or member of Sisters Network® Inc. to accompany you for support.

Don't be afraid to tell your physician you don't understand the information shared with you regarding your treatment options.

### ASK QUESTIONS!

#### SURGICAL ONCOLOGIST

- ✗ What can I expect with surgery?
- ✗ What type of surgery will I have? Mastectomy or lumpectomy?
- ✗ Sentinel Lymph Node Dissection-Is there information available on the procedure?
- ✗ What do you recommend for minimizing the risk of complications from surgery?
- ✗ Where will my surgery be done?
- ✗ What type of help or care will I need at home post-surgery?
- ✗ After my surgery, what kind of follow up care will I receive?
- ✗ Will I need radiation before or after the surgery?
- ✗ Can breast reconstruction be performed at the time of surgery or later?
- ✗ What type of test will I require prior to surgery?

#### MEDICAL ONCOLOGIST

- ✗ What stage is my breast cancer?
- ✗ Am I node negative or node positive?
- ✗ How does my nodal status affect my risk for recurrence?
- ✗ Will I need systemic therapies (Chemotherapy, hormonal treatment, and novel targeted therapy) and which are appropriate for my stage of cancer?
- ✗ How will my systemic therapy be administered?
- ✗ What are the possible side effects of the systemic therapy that is appropriate for me?
- ✗ How does my menopausal status play a role in treatment?
- ✗ Are there any other medical issues I should know about that could affect my breast cancer treatment? (Pregnancy, premenopause, etc.)
- ✗ What type of test will I require prior to chemotherapy?

#### RADIATION ONCOLOGIST

- ✗ Do I need radiation?
- ✗ How will my radiation be given? (What method will be used?)
- ✗ What do you recommend for managing the side effects of radiation therapy?
- ✗ After I finish radiation, what kind of follow-up care will I receive?
- ✗ How many treatments will I receive?
- ✗ Any long-term effects?

#### PATHOLOGY REPORT (Tumor Testing)

- ✗ What kinds of tests will be done on my tumor?
- ✗ How will the test results affect my treatment options?
- ✗ Is my breast cancer hormone receptor positive (estrogen and/or progesterone receptor positive)? Will this affect my treatment options?
- ✗ Please explain my Pathology Report?

#### CHEMOTHERAPY

- ✗ Do you recommend chemotherapy and why?
- ✗ What type of chemotherapy do you recommend and why?
- ✗ Are there any other chemotherapy options that may be right for me?
- ✗ How will the chemotherapy be given?
- ✗ How many chemotherapy treatments will I receive?
- ✗ What are the side effects of chemotherapy? Will these side effects last a long time?
- ✗ What do you recommend for managing the side effects of chemotherapy?
- ✗ After I finish chemotherapy, what kind of follow-up care will I receive?
- ✗ Any long-term effects?

#### HORMONAL TREATMENT

- ✗ Do you recommend hormonal treatment and why?
- ✗ What type of hormonal treatment is best for me and why?
- ✗ Are there other hormonal treatment options that may be right for me?
- ✗ When will I start the hormonal treatment and how long will I need to take the hormonal treatment?
- ✗ How will the hormonal treatment be given?
- ✗ What are the side effects of hormonal treatment? Will these side effects last a long time?
- ✗ What do you recommend for managing the side effects of hormonal therapy?
- ✗ Will I need follow-up care after hormonal treatment? For how long?



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#### Hosting a breast health event?

Please download and print copies of information about Sisters Network Inc. and other important breast cancer awareness information.

- [SNI General Brochure](#)
- [SNI Affiliate Chapters](#)
- [Black Women Facts & Figures – 2025](#)
- [Check Your Girls](#)
- [What to Ask Your Doctor](#)
- [Signs & Symptoms](#)
- [Importance of Clinical Trials](#)
- [Black Genetic Counselor Directory](#)
- [Get Social](#)
- [Stop the Silence Poem](#)
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❖ ***Please contact us for more information:***

***If you are recently diagnosed and have questions***

***If you are a survivor and need support***

***If you want to help support or volunteer***

*Thank you!*



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# *2026 Kenosha Regional Meeting Survey*

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**(Scan using your camera on your phone)**

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**Please look out for an email  
in June!**

**Your feedback is very important to us!**

# Thank You

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