This report represents CANCER CONNECTION OF NORTHWEST OHIO’s responses to Charting Impact, a joint project of BBB Wise Giving Alliance, GuideStar USA Inc, and Independent Sector. Charting Impact uses five simple yet powerful questions to encourage strategic thinking and help organizations share concise information about their plans and progress toward impact.

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Mission:
The mission of Cancer Connection of Northwest Ohio, Inc. is to journey hand-in-hand with those who are afflicted with cancer by connecting individuals and their families to vital resources, providing hands-on support, and creating programs that meet the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of cancer patients and their families in our community; serving all cancers and all ages.
1. What are we aiming to accomplish?
At Cancer Connection of Northwest Ohio, Inc., we believe it is important to take care of the whole person. We envision cancer patients and their families receiving readily available support and resources that go beyond fighting the disease itself; aid that focuses on taking care of the hearts and minds of those individuals impacted by cancer. Our long term goal is to take this concept to other cities and assist in the creation of similar organizations that will fill the needs of those communities.

2. What are our strategies for making this happen?
Since forming in December, 2008 we have helped hundreds of people through their cancer journey. We continue to research the unmet needs of cancer patients and their families in our community and strive to create the additional programs that fulfill those needs. We do not compete with any programs already in place; instead we partner with local businesses and other organizations in order to ensure that all of those affected by cancer are served.

3. What are our organization's capabilities for doing this?
We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that was created because of a personal cancer experience. Having realized a need in the community for additional support on behalf of cancer patients and families, this organization was founded in December of 2008. We are comprised of Volunteers and Board Members who are passionate about assisting others in our community.

4. How will we know if we're making progress?
"My husband had cancer and was such a fighter. Unfortunately, he passed away October, 2011. We found Jean from Cancer Connection to be such a caring soul who truly cared about her clients. She met with Tom and I on many occasions to see what she could do to help us. She and Cancer Connection were a valuable resource for us. If it wouldn't have been for Jean and her resources, I don't know what we would've done. She helped us to talk to the right people about supplies, billing, and much more. It was comforting to know she was a phone call away and sometimes all we needed was someone to listen and she was there. Jean along with the other volunteers at Cancer Connection of Northwest Ohio were and still are a life line for those going through some of the most difficult times in their lives. I am (and so was my husband) so grateful for Jean and Cancer Connection." Mary "Thank God they were there." Simon "After speaking with Jean I knew I would be taken care of and guided in the right direction. Cancer Connection helped me to find a place to stay during my radiation treatments. I cannot stress enough how truly grateful I was for their generosity and kindness." Christine "Jean Schoen is my angel." Claudette "When cancer struck I didn't know where to turn. A friend told me about Cancer Connection so I called. In no time Jean Schoen came to my house and educated me on the many programs available to me. God Bless Cancer Connection of Northwest Ohio." Ron "What a great service you provide." Karen "Cancer Connection has been there for me when I was in need and when I wanted someone to talk to." Senell "What you are doing is incredible and we are happy to be a part of it." Doris "Cancer Connection's help was greatly appreciated. You have a great thing going. Maybe someday people won't need services for cancer." Paulla

5. What have and haven't we accomplished so far?
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