Blood cancers have not gone away. The fact is, COVID-19 affects cancer patients at a much higher rate than non-cancer patients, and forecasts indicate that productivity in research will be impacted for at least the next three and a half years because of the pandemic. The Leukemia Research Foundation’s (LRF) mission of conquering all blood cancers is more important now than it’s ever been.

Despite COVID-19 impacting the final few months of the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2020, the LRF achieved another solid year of program delivery and financial growth. We are most grateful for your support and honored you have chosen the LRF as a beneficiary of your philanthropic efforts.

Some highlights of the year include:

- The LRF is proud to have awarded $1,266,000 in research grants to 13 New Investigators around the world (see sidebar). The LRF exclusively funds New Investigators allowing these innovative scientists to act on their ideas and try new procedures and experiments that can lead to significant breakthroughs.
- Nearly $200,000 was disbursed to patients in need to assist in paying their medical bills and medications, allowing them to focus on their treatment and care.
- The annual Town Hall Meeting was held in-person in January, 2020 attracting more than 230 registrants (a record number). Positive feedback from attendees indicated that 70% learned something they didn’t know about their disease and/or treatment and 99% would recommend the program to others.
- The LRF launched our branded Online Support Community in April. The Community, with over 4,000 members across four disease-specific groups, is where Community members gain support from other patients and caregivers living with the same diagnosis at a time when patients are at home and isolated.
- In May, Dr. Jayesh Mehta of the Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine answered questions virtually about treatment of hematologic malignancies, stem cell transplantation, and infection prevention precautions in immunocompromised patients (including COVID-19). More than 100 participated from 12 different states.
- The Multiple Myeloma Rounds series successfully completed its fifth year providing a forum for healthcare professionals to meet on a regular basis and address issues specific to the diagnosis and treatment of their multiple myeloma patients. Sessions this year took place in Atlanta, Chicago, Florida, NYC/New Jersey, and Seattle.
- Fundraising totals for the fiscal year eclipsed $2.6 million marking the second highest total in organization history and reflecting a 10% increase over the previous year.

Cancer is costly; physically, emotionally and financially. COVID-19 has made the pivotal role that research plays in addressing threats to our nation, our communities, and our families highly visible.

The LRF includes 21 volunteer chapters comprised of people who have lost a loved one or have been touched by the disease. Their remarkable support and dedication ensures that the LRF will continue to pursue the ultimate cures for all blood-related cancers – as we have since 1946.

We appreciate your support of our mission and all those we serve. Thank you!

Blake Brandwein
Board President

Kevin Radelet
Executive Director
The ABC 7 Gibbons 5K Run and 3K Walk was held virtually for the first time, giving participants a safe alternative to support our cause. Miriam Merad, M.D. Ph.D. of The Tisch Cancer Institute at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York, was selected to the National Academy of Sciences in 2020. Her research was funded by the Leukemia Research Foundation in 2006.

Revenue and Other Support

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Expense Allocation

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change in net assets  | 160,112    | 15,496     |
net assets (end of year) | 2,768,509  | 2,630,231  |

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