"While we have the gift of life, it seems to me that the only tragedy is to allow part of us to die - whether it is our spirit, our creativity, or our glorious uniqueness."

- Gilda Radner



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Gilda's Club Kansas City Annual Impact Report 2022



Community is Stronger Than Cancer®

Dear Friends of Gilda's Club Kansas City,

I am proud to report another year of growth for Gilda's Club Kansas City in 2022. Thank you for helping us to provide education, support and hope to more than 3,000 cancer patients and their families throughout our community.

Your commitment to our vision and generosity made this phenomenal growth possible. You allowed us to not only serve more people, but to also serve them in more meaningful ways. We have added programs geared to late teens and young adults, programs that address the unique healthcare needs of the LGBTQ+ communities, programs conducted in Spanish, and programs for those with limited resources.

We believe that no one should face cancer alone. Through community support, we continue to offer our educational workshops, healthy lifestyle classes, short-term counseling and support groups, and resource/referral services to individuals from any health system - free of charge. This not only ensures we serve everyone in our community, but also helps to avoid contributing to the potential financial toxicity of a cancer diagnosis.

Gilda Radner, our namesake, said, "Life is about not knowing, having to change, taking the moment and making the best of it, without knowing what's going to happen next." It is because of your generosity we were able to make the best of 2022 adapting and expanding our cancer support services to the greater Kansas City community. Thank you!

With gratitude,

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Siobhan McLaughlin Lesley
Executive Director



Thank you!





Auction for a Cause 2022!



Our Mission:

Gilda's Club Kansas City uplifts and strengthens people impacted by cancer by providing support, fostering compassionate communities, and breaking down barriers to care.

Our Vision:

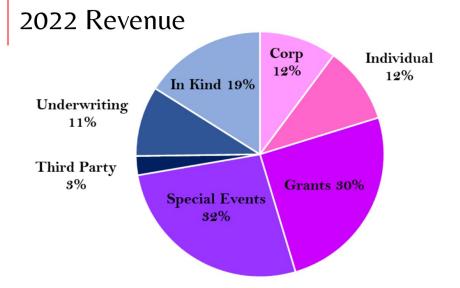
Everyone impacted by cancer receives the support they want and need throughout their experience

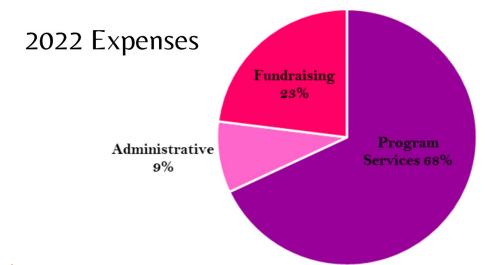
2022 Program Outcomes:

- 98% reported having more access to information about cancer, treatment, and side effect management.
- 91% reported feeling more connected with others who share similar experiences.
- 93% reported having better communication with their family and/or friends.
- 96% reported feeling more empowered to manage their diagnosis successfully (or that of a loved one).
- 97% reported feeling more prepared to discuss cancer with their medical providers.
- 98% are satisfied overall with the GCKC programming.

We also use CancerSupportSource (CSS) a validated psychometric distress screener, with both internal and external validity and reliability that determines overall level of distress for our participants. Results for 2022 resulted in a 2.01 point drop (on a 0-4 point scale, with 0 representing "no distress" and 4 representing "very seriously distressed").

Your Investment at Work





Total Revenue: \$625,858

Total Expenses: \$566,676

*Based on pre-audit financials. Please check gildasclubkc.org for finalized figures.

National Cancer Survivors Day 2022!





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We hosted 119 educational workshops & healthy lifestyle classes!



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