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KOMEN PUGET SOUND AWARDS \$590,000 TO LOCAL BREAST HEALTH PROVIDERS

SEATTLE – Susan G. Komen Puget Sound has awarded \$590,000 to six local nonprofits working to end disparities in access to breast cancer screenings and breast health care. The 2019-20 funded partners are:

- **Latino Community Fund - \$35,000**
The Women's Health Outreach Program provides no-cost mammograms and health services to minority women in Seattle/King County who do not or cannot access them through mainstream clinical resources. Screenings and follow-ups target those on limited incomes, regardless of age, sexual orientation or gender identity.
- **South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency (SPIPA) - \$55,000**
The South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency Native Women's Wellness Program provides breast health outreach, education, screening and support to women in rural tribal communities in Southwest Washington who rarely or never have been screened for breast cancer.
- **Korean Women's Association - \$85,000**
The Patient Navigation Program will help 600 clients gain access to specially trained navigators to help them through the stages of screening, diagnosis, and treatment for breast cancer. Navigators help patients with their health benefits, transportation to the hospital, translators for doctor visits and anything else necessary to get through breast cancer.
- **International Community Health Services (ICHS) - \$105,000**
The Breast Health Outreach, Prevention, and Education (B-HOPE) program will provide breast health outreach, education and screening to low-income, limited English-speaking Non-Hispanic, African American, African descent, Asian, Native Hawaiian, and other Pacific Islander, Hispanic/Latino women in Seattle/King County.
- **Cancer Lifeline - \$125,000**
Through the Komen Patient Assistance Fund, Cancer Lifeline provides financial assistance and support for low-income patients while they are in treatment for breast cancer.
- **Washington State Department of Health (DOH) - \$185,000**
Funding to the Washington State Breast, Cervical, and Colon Health Program (BCCHP) will provide breast cancer screenings, lifesaving mammograms and diagnostics to more than 4,000 low-income, uninsured and underinsured women. It will also provide patient navigation for clients and assists diagnosed clients in transitioning onto the Medicaid Treatment Program.

Komen Puget Sound evaluates and selects grantees through an independent review process. The grants were presented at the organization's annual Impact Celebration at the Inglewood Golf Club on April 18.

Seventy-five percent of net funds raised through Komen Puget Sound and its events – such as the [More Than Pink Walk](#) this June 2 – provide for community grants and services such as free mammograms, patient navigation and breast cancer treatment support. The remaining 25 percent of funds go to [breast cancer research](#).

About Susan G. Komen® Puget Sound

Susan G. Komen Puget Sound was founded by local volunteers in 1993. Through the community's generosity, Komen Puget Sound has given more than \$33 million to fund breast cancer screenings, patient support and medical research to find a cure, helping tens of thousands of local, low-income women receive services critical to early detection and survival. To learn more about Komen Puget Sound, please visit www.komenpugetsound.org or follow us on Facebook (facebook.com/KomenPugetSound), Twitter ([@KomenPugetSound](https://twitter.com/KomenPugetSound)) or Instagram (instagram.com/komenpugetsound)



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