



Alberta Cancer Foundation Quick Facts

The Alberta Cancer Foundation

- Is the charitable foundation for the Cross Cancer Institute in Edmonton, the Tom Baker Cancer Centre in Calgary and 15 other cancer centres across the province
- Represents more than 200,000 donors committed to progress towards a cancer-free future
- Is Alberta's largest cancer charity investing \$29.2M donor dollars in cancer research, prevention and care programs last year.
- Sixty-six per cent of donations to the Alberta Cancer Foundation were directed towards cancer programs in the 2010/11 fiscal year.

Participant and donor impact on research through the Alberta Cancer Foundation

- Donors to the Alberta Cancer Foundation are the largest non-government source of cancer research funding in the province.
- 12 cancer research chairs were established with support from donors to the Alberta Cancer Foundation, including the Weekend to End Women's Cancer Chair in Calgary and the Sawin-Baldwin Chair in Gynecologic Oncology in Edmonton. International recruitment is underway for top research talent to fill these two chairs.
- Donors to the Alberta Cancer Foundation provide major equipment and infrastructure funding to the Cross Cancer Institute and Tom Baker Cancer Centre.
- Donor support funds the infrastructure for clinical trials research province-wide.
- Donor support launched Canada's first long-term epidemiology study, the Tomorrow Project, following 50,000 healthy Alberta volunteers to learn more about who gets cancer and why.

Participant and donor impact on screening through the Alberta Cancer Foundation

- 25,000 women in 100 rural Alberta communities will access digital mammography screening this year on mobile digital mammography units funded with \$11M raised through the Shoppers Drug Mart Weekend to End Women's Cancers.
- Donor support from the Alberta Cancer Foundation also makes it possible for thousands of Albertans and their family doctors to get reminder letters of the need for breast cancer, colorectal and cervical screening.

Participant and donor impact on patient support through the Alberta Cancer Foundation

- Donors ensure more than 500 patients and families in critical need receive short-term financial assistance each year through the Alberta Cancer Foundation's financial assistance program.

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- Thousands of patients each year access psychosocial and spiritual resources at the Tom Baker Cancer Centre and Cross Cancer Institute thanks to Alberta Cancer Foundation donor support.
- Donors to the Alberta Cancer Foundation made it possible to advance the purchase of state-of-the-art radiation therapy machines to provide faster, more accurate therapy to patients at the Tom Baker Cancer Centre and Cross Cancer Institute.
- Donors support Alberta Cancer Foundation-funded conferences and clinical meetings where medical professionals share knowledge and sharpen clinical skills.

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