



2012-2013 Annual Report



Highlights 2012-2013



Financial Assistance Program

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Created and distributed the first Colorado Ovarian Cancer Resource Guide.

Produced COCA's first Survivors Luncheon

celebrating and honoring survivors.

Increased health fair participation from 25 to 40

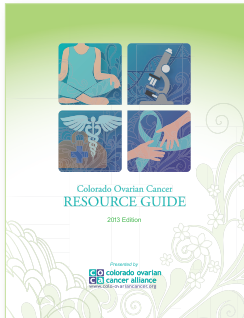
sites in 2013, reaching more

than 4,000 women with our message of awareness.

Distributed Comfort Kits to nearly 100 newly-diagnosed ovarian cancer patients throughout Colorado.

Hosted the 4th Annual Jodi's Race for Awareness

that attracted 2,500 participants and raised \$150,000 for COCA.



Diedre Kelley,
a Jodi's Race participant and
ovarian cancer survivor.

Our Inspiration

Last Saturday

I participated in the Jodi's run. My team was Woof Walkers. It was the first time I had participated in it and already look forward to next year. I had no idea how moving and inspiring and empowering the walk would be. Seeing the different women in teal shirts showed me: Black, white, Asian, young, old, cancer does not discriminate. Seeing another woman in teal, I felt a connection. I said silently: "I have stood in your shoes. We know each other. We are sisters."

Seven years ago, I was diagnosed with ovarian cancer. I had surgery and chemo. Though I was stage I, the doctors were wary about my outlook as I had an aggressive form (carcinosarcoma). So I barely allowed myself to fantasize about my future and here I am, seven years later, crossing the finish line with my two-year-old on my shoulders. Isn't it just unbelievable?

~Ji



Programs

COCA's programs and initiatives are possible because of donors like you:

Nicki's Circle Support Groups

are held each month and are offered free of charge in six locations to women and caregivers.



COCACares is one of the only financial assistance programs nationwide specifically for women in treatment for ovarian cancer (\$500 each month for up to six months).

Survivors Teaching Students: Saving Women's Lives® educates medical students at the University of Colorado about ovarian cancer symptoms, risk factors and the importance of early diagnosis. Through panel presentations, ovarian cancer survivors help future medical doctors recognize symptoms and treat the disease.

Comfort Kits provide information and items of support and comfort to women in Colorado who receive an ovarian cancer diagnosis.

"I cannot tell you how wonderful it was to receive a kit which included a blanket, socks, the resource guide filled with information and a handmade gift with a note saying I'm not alone – what I got was lots of love and hope. ~FB

Our Colorado Ovarian Cancer Resource Guide,

published in July 2013, is a 53-page directory that helps navigate women through their cancer journey.

We raise awareness through Jodi's Race, health fairs, our September Raise Awareness campaign, media coverage, television call-in shows and outreach to partner organizations.

COCA educates women, families, future doctors and health care providers about early detection of ovarian cancer through the Survivors Teaching Students: Saving Women's Lives® program and by distributing symptom cards.

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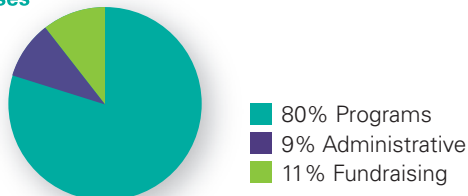
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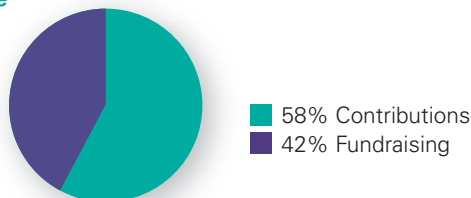
Clockwise from top: A yard sign kicks off September Raise Awareness campaign; Long-term survivor Naomi Lawrence and her team of supporters; Comfort Kits and beads at the Survivors Luncheon.

Financials

Expenses



Income



During FY 2012-13, donations from generous individuals accounted for 58% of revenues received. These donations, combined with funds raised through special events such as Jodi's Race for Awareness, enabled COCA to expand services and programs to women throughout Colorado.

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