DEAR FRIENDS,

More than 1.7 million new cancer cases will be diagnosed in 2019 in the United States and more than 600,000 Americans are expected to die of cancer this year. These numbers underline the immediate need and show the urgent need for investments and programs aimed at fighting this deadly disease.

The American-Italian Cancer Foundation (AICF) continues to support cancer research by awarding post-doctoral fellowships to the best and brightest young investigators who perform groundbreaking research in the fields of cancer biology and treatment at the top cancer centers across the country. In FY 2018/19, your generosity supported 13 fellows working at Columbia University, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Massachusetts General Hospital, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of California, Weill Cornell Medical Center, Yale University, and others.

AICF also promotes breast cancer early detection, which dramatically reduces cancer mortality rates. Through its Mobile, No-cost, Breast Cancer Screening Program, AICF provides screening services to New York City’s most vulnerable populations: low-income, medically-under-served, ethnically and linguistically marginalized women. This year, your contributions have enabled AICF to screen over 4,000 underprivileged women, of which over 1,000 required additional testing and were provided with information and referrals to low-cost diagnostic and treatment facilities. This year we also celebrated the manufacturing of a brand new mammogram bus which will improve AICF’s capacity to serve New York City women in need.

Lastly, AICF was honored to present the 2018 Prize for Scientific Excellence in Medicine, sponsored by the Alexander Bodini Foundation, to two prominent scientists: Nancy E. Davidson, MD and Alberto Mantovani, MD in recognition of their remarkable careers and scientific endeavors. All of this has been possible because of your great generosity. Thank you for your unwavering support and commitment to our organization. You make a profound difference in AICF and in the lives of the people we serve.

Sincerely,

Daniele D. Bodini
Chairman

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IMPACT BY NUMBERS

SCREENING PROGRAM

- 4,041 women screened
- 63% of patients were uninsured or underinsured
- 561 women had their first mammogram ever
- 1,076 women provided with post-screening support
- 12 cases of cancer detected
- 41% of patients had a primary language other than English
- 167 community partnerships in NYC

PATIENT RACE:
- 35% Latino
- 31% African American
- 18% Caucasian
- 9% Asian
- 7% Other

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

- 13 fellowships
- 6 types of cancer researched
- $520,000 in fellowship awards
- Research performed across the U.S.

FINANCIALS

- Total support & revenue: $2,337,298
- Total expenses: $1,714,900
- 4 months of reserve funds added this year
- $259,614 raised to purchase a new mammogram bus

SUPPORTING WOMEN IN SCIENCE
- 7 female awardees

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM RACE:
- 35% Latino
- 31% African American
- 18% Caucasian
- 9% Asian
- 7% Other

SPONSORS & REVENUE

- Individual donors & corporations 64%
- Government 23%
- Private foundations 6%
- Corporations 7%
- Other 7%

EXPENSES

- Breast Cancer Screening Program 49%
- Breast Cancer Education + Award 37%
- Fellowship Program 12%
- Management + General 7%

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS IN NYC

- 41% of patients had a primary language other than English
- 63% of patients were uninsured or underinsured

MADE POSSIBLE BY THE NY STATE NONPROFIT INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM
In 1987, AICF took the bold step of launching the Mobile, No-cost Breast Cancer Screening Program in response to an increasing community need for accessible breast cancer screening services in medically underserved neighborhoods.

The mission of AICF’s Program is to decrease mortality from breast cancer among vulnerable populations by eliminating the economic, linguistic and cultural barriers to screening. To accomplish this goal, AICF’s Mammogram Bus travels the five boroughs of New York City, five days a week, year around to provide no-cost mammograms, clinical breast exams and breast health education to those most in need. To-date, over 107,000 economically disadvantaged women have received comprehensive breast cancer screening services on AICF’s Bus. In addition, over 16,000 women received patient navigation services to ensure timely diagnosis and treatment.

AICF partners with trusted community groups and civic leaders throughout New York City to increase accessibility to regular screening and reduce the distrust of the health care system that many women feel.

OUR PROGRAMS

MOBILE, NO-COST BREAST CANCER SCREENING PROGRAM

Thank you for the great service you provide for all—especially those of us who would otherwise have no means to get these screenings. The staff is patient and helpful. Love the new bus!

—Cathy

AICF gave me the key to move forward in my career.

—Sheila Spada

2018-2019 INTERNATIONAL POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The International Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship Program provides financial support for bright Italian scientists who pursue post-doctoral research and advanced training in collaboration with mentors at major cancer centers in the United States.

To-date, AICF has effectively launched the careers of 329 young scientists who have been awarded 480 fellowships since the Program’s inception in 1983.

Post-doctoral research fellowships are a critical component in advancing cancer research, as they support talented young scientists with innovative project ideas at a time in their careers when funding from other sources is less certain. An AICF fellowship is awarded for a one-year period. All applications are reviewed by AICF’s Scientific Advisory Board Executive Committee.
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On Wednesday, November 7, 2018, the American-Italian Cancer Foundation held its 38th Annual Benefit Dinner & Auctions at the Pierre Hotel in New York City.

The event was attended by nearly 250 guests, who helped raise more than $1.5 million for AICF’s programs.

The Alessandro Di Montezemolo Lifetime Achievement Award was received by Letizia Moratti, Chairman of the Management Board UBI, President of the E4Impact Foundation, and Co-Founder of the San Patrignano Foundation. Sergio Dampà served the Benefit Chair.

AICF’s Prize for Scientific Excellence in Medicine was presented to Nancy E. Davidson, MD and Alberto Mantovani, MD.

Thank you to all of our generous donors and sponsors for making the event a great success!