



National
Brain Tumor
Society

2021 Annual Report

Community here.
Breakthroughs ahead.™

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Dear NBTS Community,

In the second year of the pandemic, nothing stopped our vibrant brain tumor community from mobilizing to advance our mission. In a time of distance and physical separation, we came together, unrelenting, to advance our mission, raise funds, and spread awareness about this deadly disease.

Thanks to your support, we've tangibly propelled treatment-focused research forward into the next phase. NBTS brought together leading neuro-oncology and industry researchers, patients, advocates, and government officials to take action on the implications of the new 2021 World Health Organization's reclassification of brain tumors.

Together, we significantly increased federal funding for brain tumor research, which was only made possible because of advocates like you who tell your stories and convey to your elected officials that brain tumors are still a high priority.

Supporters like you made it possible for NBTS to help patients and families facing an unthinkable diagnosis and to foster community in a time of isolation. We helped patients, particularly those far from the top brain tumor centers, gain access to the best specialized care.

We spoke with many of you in 2021 about how we could strengthen our brand to reach more patients and caregivers, and to better communicate with you. Our hope is that these improvements will amplify our work together, enable more connection, and help make this next era one of profound progress.

And while we are excited about our new look, we want our dedicated fundraisers, donors, advocates, and friends to know that we remain the same welcoming and supportive community, and our mission's work will continue, unrelenting. Together, we will fuel the momentum needed to achieve breakthroughs in treatments and health care and deliver community here, now and always.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom P. Roloff".

Tom Roloff
Chair of the Board of Directors



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David F. Arons".

David F. Arons, JD
Chief Executive Officer

Vision

Conquering and curing brain tumors — once and for all.

Mission

National Brain Tumor Society unrelentingly invests in, mobilizes, and unites our community to discover a cure, deliver effective treatments, and advocate for patients and care partners.

Values

- Patients First
- Best-In-Class Science and Service to Our Community
- Strengthened by Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Relentlessly Results Driven
- Constructive, Candid, and Transparent
- Committed to Public Trust
- Collaborative and Inclusive
- Positive (Can-Do) Attitude



National Brain Tumor Society Gave My Mom Hope

by Zoey G.



My mom is more than just a mom. She is my best friend, my shoulder to cry on, and my go-to person. She is the most beautiful, outgoing, caring, understanding person in this world, and she has an impact on everyone she meets. On January 29, 2016, she was diagnosed with a brain tumor, which we later learned was a grade three anaplastic astrocytoma — brain cancer.

At seven, I was too young to understand how severe it was and what it really did to her brain and overall well-being. Today, at 15, I have learned so much, especially the importance of making memories and enjoying every day that we have together.

to my family and me. Not only did it give us a chance to be around people who understood what my mom and family were going through, it also surrounded my mom with an amazing, positive, and uplifting environment. It gave her what I think she truly needed: hope. Hope that she could push through — no matter how brain cancer had affected her or our family — with a purpose and a goal to help not only her own future but the future of others diagnosed with a brain tumor.

For my family and me, there is true enjoyment in fundraising. We raise funds for Team Holly Grace and what that means for my mom’s future: I now realize that any donation, big or small, can help lead to a cure and better treatment options, especially for those with a recurrence like my mom may face someday.

I will always have a special place in my heart for the National Brain Tumor Society and its Race For Hope-DC for helping my family through my mom’s diagnosis and giving our family hope that we will one day find a cure for brain cancer.



Some of our most cherished memories since my mom’s diagnosis have been participating in the Race For Hope-DC over the last six years. This event means more than words can describe



My Why

“My older sister was diagnosed with a primary brain tumor in 2000, five years prior to my own diagnosis. I am so honored and proud to be a volunteer with NBTS. I’ve participated at every Head to the Hill event to help our voices be heard, and I was even the New Jersey state advocacy lead for several years.

My greatest joy is being involved with the Race for Hope Philadelphia for the past 17 years. I’ve met and have so many friendships with others who are on the same journey as I am. I’ve lost many great people to this disease. It is because of them that I will continue to support NBTS in every way I am able.”

—KAREN A.



Defeat

We drive and influence best-in-class medical research to develop and deliver new innovative treatments and potential cures to brain tumor patients as quickly as possible.



Connect

We convene, educate, and unite the brain tumor community.



Change

We fuel the voice and power of the brain tumor community to advocate and influence public policy.



Progressing Toward Better Treatments

“We have identified a potentially effective new way of treating GBM with a safe, repurposed, FDA-approved drug and have determined the molecular mechanistic basis underlying it.”

—PAUL MISCHEL, MD
Stanford University



Expanded GBM AGILE

With support from NBTS, the GBM AGILE clinical trial expanded to 30+ sites across 22 states and into Canada to evaluate three promising drugs for glioblastoma patients.



Discovered Widely-Available Drug May Benefit Glioblastoma Treatment

Based on data from NBTS’s Defeat GBM Research Collaborative and with support from the Sharpe family, Dr. Paul Mischel’s research (Stanford University) found that the common antidepressant drug Prozac shows the potential to be added to the standard treatment for glioblastoma.



Discovered a Common Diabetes Drug Holds Promise Against Rare Childhood Brain Tumor

With support from the CERN Foundation, a program of NBTS, Dr. Sriram Venneti (University of Michigan) and his lab discovered that the common diabetes drug metformin suppressed tumor growth in group A posterior fossa ependymoma laboratory models.



Innovating the Field of Neuro-oncology Research

“A few years ago, NBTS showed us the problem with the low accrual in clinical trials. This led to a joint effort... trying to figure out what we can do to improve trial accrual, looking at things like telemedicine. All of that seemed really hard at that time... and then COVID happened, and overnight the things that were difficult suddenly became routine. This disruption has allowed us to understand what works and what doesn’t work. Many of the things that we routinely did in the past are probably not that necessary. This is an opportunity for us to reimagine how we can do trials, to do things more efficiently so that we can help our patients better.”

—PATRICK WEN, MD
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute



Innovated Brain Tumor Clinical Trials

NBTS’s Research Roundtable program brought together experts, advocates, and representatives from industry and government to identify opportunities to improve access to trials based on lessons learned during the COVID era, culminating in a paper in the journal *Neuro-Oncology*.



Advanced Development of Pediatric Brain Tumor Clinical Trials

At NBTS’s Research Roundtable, pediatric brain tumor experts developed a plan to use historical data in new clinical trials.



Formed Partnership to Study Immunotherapy in Brain Tumors

NBTS partnered with the Parker Institute for Cancer Immunotherapy to explore the most promising scientific approaches to immunotherapy in brain tumors.



Advocating and Affecting Policy Change

“If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.’ This African proverb truly embodies how I feel each year at Head to the Hill. It is something about uniting — in person or virtually — sharing our stories, and amplifying our voices for the greater good of the brain tumor community. The journey to a cure is long, rocky, and unclear at times, but together we can and will go the distance!”

—BILLI E.



Increased Annual Federal Funding for Brain Tumor Research by More Than 70% Since 2013

Record Head to the Hill participation by volunteers in 2021 supported NBTS’s advocacy efforts, leading to an increase in federal funding for medical research. This milestone caps a decade of progress where Congress appropriated \$3.25 billion to programs that support research on brain and central nervous system tumors.



Stood Up for Brain Tumor Patients’ Financial Challenges

NBTS helped persuade the maker of Lomustine, a standard of care chemotherapy drug, to rejoin Medicare — ultimately ensuring the treatment remains affordable and accessible to a greater number of patients.



Urged Policymakers to Take Action

Between NBTS’s Head to the Hill advocacy event and the end of 2021, the Telehealth Modernization Act acquired 78 new co-sponsors in the House and 11 new co-sponsors in the Senate.



“Head To The Hill 2021 helped me connect not only with our elected members of Congress, it also provided me with a new circle of support. I will never stop advocating for my late sister Maureen and all those who are still hurting from this awful disease. Thank you, NBTS.”

—KATHARINE H.

410

Participants

A record-breaking number of participants attended NBTS's Head to the Hill, representing 46 states.

91

Advocates

Advocates from 33 states took part in 100+ meetings with legislators during the August recess.

3.25

Billion Dollars

NBTS advocates' efforts have resulted in \$3.25 billion in appropriations for programs that support brain tumor research over the past decade.



Addressed Key Issues with the White House

NBTS advocated key policies to the Biden Administration on brain tumor research and diversity priorities during several “listening sessions” by the National Institutes of Health and White House Office of Science and Technology Policy.



United and Honored the Brain Tumor Community

For the third consecutive year, Congress took bipartisan action to recognize Brain Tumor Awareness Month in May and Glioblastoma Awareness Day in July. NBTS advocates, corporate partners, and other brain tumor organizations joined together to raise the visibility of our cause.



Extended Funding to Unravel the Complexities of Adult and Pediatric Gliomas

NBTS persuaded the National Cancer Institute to increase funding by \$2 million in 2021. This effort aims to identify commonalities in these complex tumors that can serve as new therapeutic targets and the basis for future combinations of treatment.

Providing Support and Navigation



“I proudly support the National Brain Tumor Society because the work they do for the brain tumor community is unparalleled. I have benefited the most from their monthly Brain Tumor Support Conversations. I lost my husband to glioblastoma, and being able to talk to others who have gone through what I went through and receive the love and support from the group was very comforting.”

—LATRESA D.

“I’m so grateful to NBTS and to Tori Best for offering Meditation Mondays to this community. As the mother of a pediatric brain tumor survivor, I can attest to the fact that parents and caretakers experience overwhelming stress, even after the initial period of treatment. I consider the sessions to be a sort of sanctuary. I made a commitment to address my own health by practicing meditation, but it never really worked for me until I participated in these online meditation gatherings. Now I’m hooked!”

—MERYL S.



Provided Brain Tumor Community with Personalized Support

The NBTS patient navigation team continued to provide support to patients and families through its array of individualized, group, and educational services.



Created Educational Video Series for Brain Tumor Community

NBTS launched a new video program called *Informed in 30* to educate patients on cutting-edge treatment options.



Hosted Virtual Journaling Workshops

NBTS piloted a journaling workshop program facilitated by award-winning authors.

27

Percent

The number of hours spent by participants in Brain Tumor Support Conversations in 2021 increased by 27% year over year.

287

Participants

In its first full year of programming, Meditation Mondays helped members of the brain tumor community manage stress and anxiety.

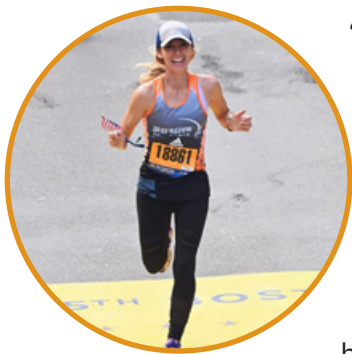
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Percent

The instances of direct support offered by our Personalized Support program increased by 72% year over year.



Fostering Connection



“This race is more than just 26.2 miles. It’s a chance to show up for this community that has surrounded us with love and support. It’s a chance to raise awareness and funds for much-needed research. It’s a chance for me to celebrate how far we have come in a year, how much we have battled, and how much love we have for this little family we have created.”

—SAMANTHA T.

“Team Kermit was back on the road for the 2021 National Brain Tumor Ride, our 10th anniversary ride. If anyone thought COVID would stand in our way, they had another thing coming. Riding and raising funds through the cloud of COVID only made us more resolved and stronger.”

—STEVEN B.



Launched First-Ever National Brain Tumor Walk and Ride

Thanks to the vision of our volunteers, NBTS held the first virtual National Brain Tumor Walk and National Brain Tumor Ride, connecting teams from across the country to raise funds, awareness, and support for our mission while honoring loved ones who have experienced this devastating disease.



Supported Community Events Across 32 States

NBTS supported 53 new community events in 2021, increasing the overall number of community fundraising activities by 20%.



Boosted Gray Nation Endurance Participation

Gray Nation Endurance athletes from 18 states generated a 72% increase in revenue by the program in 2021.

2021 Donor Honor Rolls

Signature Events

Top Fundraising Individuals

National Brain Tumor Walk and Race for Hope-DC: Rachel Rabinovitz | \$180,305

Fall Challenge: Miles for Milestones:

Brett Johnson | \$30,050

National Brain Tumor Ride: Bill Coffman | \$27,736

Sacramento Brain Freeze: Courtney Gessford | \$18,332



“After many years of participating in person, I was amazed, but not surprised, to see our community rallying through the pandemic to find new and creative ways to support each other. The enthusiasm shown by participants from around the country while they tracked their miles was contagious!”

—ERICA R.



Top Fundraising Teams

\$50k+

Rachel’s Racers | \$219,683

ReMARKable Strides | \$107,761

Team Oligo | \$51,164

\$25k+

Steve’s Survivors | \$44,075

David Cook’s Team for a Cure | \$37,998

Team Crissy | \$37,121

Allison’s NumbSkulls | \$35,629

Team Asher | \$34,216

Team Coffman | \$32,310

PHYTERS | \$30,785

Lisa’s Riders | \$26,783

Top 10 Recruiting Teams

David Cook’s Team for a Cure | 75 members

The Crazy Apes | 67 members

Rachel’s Racers | 60 members

Walk Like Will | 57 members

Kyle High Club | 53 members

Team Kermit | 48 members

Super Drew Nealley Team | 45 members

Zach Attack | 34 members

Medtronic Enabling Technologies R&D | 33 members

ML’s Milers | 33 members



“The pandemic didn’t stop Team Dunn Second to None from fundraising and safely honoring Mike Dunn for his 10th Brain Tumor Walk. For 2021, we raised over \$8,200 and hosted a wonderful outdoor celebration with our vaccinated family and friends in our backyard.”

—CHERYL D.

“The NBTS Fall Challenge fell on my birthday. Two of my best friends from college flew in from the Northwest to join me in walking for Joe. They had both spent time with Joe after he was diagnosed and saw his fight. What sustains us after a loss is that kind of support.”

—MARY ANN L.

2021 Donor Honor Rolls

Community Fundraising Events

Top Fundraising Efforts

\$50k+

Team Billy:
\$85,406

Fight for the Brain Happy Hour:
\$54,586

Mobile Primary Brain Cancer
Research Golf Tournament:
\$54,149

Madison Brain Tumor 5K:
\$53,314

\$25k+

Jones'n for a Cure Golf
Tournament:
\$34,000

\$10k+

P&D Student Choreography
Project:
\$23,691

Adam's Annual Brain Fest:
\$20,937

Mimosa March To Cure Brain
Cancer:
\$17,512

1st Annual Tom Goff Memorial
Golf Tournament:
\$15,300

Virtual Bob Burns Memorial 5K:
\$15,000

Run 4 Dray:
\$15,000

Michael Cassidy
Shamrock 'N' Run:
\$11,000

Wander to Wonder on Water:
\$10,952

100th Video Fundraiser
Against Brain Tumors:
\$10,843

Alston Construction Brain Tumor
Awareness Month Fundraising:
\$10,024

GBM Foundation Events :
\$10,000

Joggin' 4 the Noggin:
\$10,000



“Hosting Joggin’ 4 the Noggin 5K Run/Walk has been a humbling experience. It allows our family to remember our loved ones and also offers hope to those recently or yet to be diagnosed.”

—STEPH J.



“It is important for me to host a fundraiser every year for NBTS. I am very blessed to be a survivor. Spreading awareness and raising funds helps make it possible for other people to say they are survivors!”

—ALYSSA A.

2021 Donor Honor Rolls

Gray Nation Endurance

Top Fundraising Individuals

\$20k+

Kristen Sherlock
TCS New York City
Marathon
\$92,917

Brian Lewis
50/31 Challenge
\$29,797

\$10k+

Samantha Tavino
Boston Marathon
\$13,856

Christa Policella
TCS New York City
Marathon
\$13,678

\$5k+

Mark McGann
TCS New York City
Marathon
\$9,227

Matt Stober and
the Istari Oncology
Team Tobacco Road
Marathon
\$8,969

Denise Nolan
ASICS Falmouth
Road Race
\$8,407

Jeff Kalil
Paddle for Progress
Canoe Expedition
\$7,250

Michael Policella
TCS New York City
Marathon
\$6,141

Sean Whitney
TCS New York City
Marathon
\$6,039

Scott Superko
TCS New York City
Marathon
\$5,650

Mallory Boron
TCS New York City
Marathon
\$5,456

Mary Farrington
ASICS Falmouth
Road Race
\$5,415

Nina Silberman
TCS New York City
Marathon
\$5,208



“The NYC crowds were absolutely amazing and to see the city back was so awesome and emotional. The cheering crowds truly carry you through, especially those last miles! We were also grateful to have had an opportunity to support the National Brain Tumor Society and loved meeting our teammates who have all been touched by this disease. We are so thankful for the support from so many.”

—CAREN T.

“When I told Justin I’d be running my first marathon for him, he was so excited. But what he and I were most excited about was seeing him cross the finish line with me. Once that became a goal, he practiced his walking as much as possible. With a prognosis as grim as his from the start, I still wasn’t prepared to say goodbye, and it was by far the hardest thing I’ve ever had to do. However, this group and this run have become even more important to me since losing him. I cannot wait to cross the finish line for him and everyone else who is affected by this terrible cancer.”

—SAMMI S.



“When my mother died on June 14, I figured she was gone forever. But this event has made me feel like she was still present in my life, in some strange way. Turns out, I crossed the finish line exactly six hours and fourteen minutes after I had started. Her finish date and my finish time were the same three digits, 6/14. Make of it what you will, but that resonates with me. I feel like this year’s race truly belongs to her.”

—DAN L.

2021 Donor Honor Rolls

Corporate Partners

\$100k+

Novocure

\$50k+

Bayer Pharmaceuticals

Zallie-Somerset Family of Shoprite Stores

Black Diamond Therapeutics

Bristol-Myers Squibb

Genentech

Karyopharm Therapeutics

Le-Vel Brands

Servier Pharmaceuticals

\$25k+

Chimerix

City Wide Facility Solutions

Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP

Glass Solutions Foundation

Kintara Therapeutics

Northern Bank & Trust Charitable Foundation

Prelude Therapeutics

Stryker Corporation

University of Maryland – Neurosurgery

Valero Energy

\$10k+

CoStar Group

Crosby Hop Farm, LLC

DNatrix

Integra Foundation

Kazia Therapeutics

Massachusetts General Hospital

Mimivax

Penn Medicine

Raymond James Financial, Inc.

SBLI

SodaStream

Somerset Stores, LLC

Showalter Construction Company, Inc

Stanford Health Care

TP ICAP

Foundation Partners

\$100k+

Goldhirsh-Yellin Foundation

Robert Lloyd Corkin Charitable Foundation

The Stringer Foundation

\$50k+

Robert I. Schattner Foundation

The Sontag Foundation

\$25k+

GLK Foundation

Rebecca Engle Memorial Fund

\$10k+

David S. Stone Foundation

GBM Foundation

James and Deborah Burrows Foundation

John and Maria Laffin Trust

Stahl Family Charitable Foundation

Students Supporting Brain Tumor Research



“The Zallie-Somerset Family was proud to host another round-up for the National Brain Tumor Society in all of our 11 stores again this past May. We value our partnership with the NBTS. With over \$500,000 raised to date, we cannot thank our customers enough for the generous donations.”

—GIULIANA Z.



“Students Supporting Brain Tumor Research, the largest student-run nonprofit in Arizona, is proud to contribute to NBTS so that our funds can support outstanding research both nationally and internationally.”

—STUDENTS SUPPORTING BRAIN TUMOR RESEARCH

2021 Donor Honor Rolls

Individual Donors

Visionary Society \$250,000+ cumulative giving since 2008

Anonymous (2)
Ashley and Alan Dabbieri
Bob and Deborah Newman Sharpe
The Claeys Family
Susan and Jeff Davis
Judi Rotenberg Ross Zuker and Edward Zuker
Michael and Dawn Nathanson and Family
Sally and Steven Lamb
Stephen and Ellen Conley
The Corkin Family
The Hamill Family
The Hankin Family Charitable Foundation
The Sadler Family

Circle of Change (\$25,000+)

Bob and Deborah Newman Sharpe
The Claeys Family
Stephen and Ellen Conley
Susan and Jeff Davis
Mary and Richard Abbey
Richard and Rachael Wells
Sally and Steven Lamb
The Sadler Family
The Hankin Family Charitable Foundation
William Fogg

Circle of Progress (\$10,000 – \$24,999)

Aaron and Kelly Theberge
Amy and Steven Halvorsen
Andrew Cader
Charles Van Eekeren
Christopher Brown
Daniel Ryan
Darren Redmayne
Diana and Matthew Gordon
Donald Snow
Douglas Lebda
Elaine and Marvin Rosenberg
Jennifer Griffin
Jim Cooper
Joseph Regan
Judi Rotenberg Ross Zuker and Edward Zuker
Margaret Bromund
Michael and Dawn Nathanson and Family
Nicole Godinho
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Richard Ross
Ryan and Margaret Lang
Sandra and Mark Kramer
Sarah Durham and Craig Winer
Stephanie James
Terri and James Cheezan
Theresa Bishop
Theresa Day
Tiffani Fry
Vincent and Jennifer Browning
Yin Becker

Circle of Courage (\$5,000 – \$9,999)

Alan Harris
Barbara Fiore
Barbara Triolo
Beth Alpern and Walter Kuhn
Brian Bennett
Bruce Craig
Carly Matz
Carol Caviston
Carol Zimmerman
Catherine Hay
Chris Cumella
Chris Suplick
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Daniel Waller
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Janet Lewis
Jeremy Jacobs
Jeremy Rabinovitz
John and Mary Fowler
John Frishkopf
John Travis
Joohee Sul

Jordan Hirsch
Joseph Amato
Joseph Dinicola
Karen and Joseph Perricone
Katherine Carrier
Kathy Shreiner
Kim and Jay Nadler
Kurt Kessler
Larry Oxenberg
Laura Loeb and Howard Morse
Leah Recht
Lee Robinson
Lido Ramadan
Lisa and Chris Peabody
Liz and Brett Salmi
Louise Cox
Mark Treacy
Mehul Sanghani
The Corkin Family
Michelle Morris-Phy

Mike and Anne Smith
Milind Parekh
Myrna Dubin
Nadia Ramadan
Patti Tsai-Steiner
Rachel Kaufman
Rachel Samitt
Rebecca Best
Rebekah Fischer
Rich Handler
Rob and Debra Burger
Russell Jellig
Sandra Hundley
Sarah Payton
Sean Mcintyre
Shoko Okado
Tim and Brigid Scannell
Vin Roberti
Wendy Lamb
Yunxiao Zhu

“My entire world shifted in 2006 when my son Mark was diagnosed with an anaplastic astrocytoma. I have been honored to work with NBTS not only with the Race for Hope Philadelphia, but I have also participated in Head to the Hill for the last eight years. I have met so many amazing fighters, survivors, and angels along this journey. I believe this group of passionate people will one day find a cure for brain tumors.”

—SANDY K.



2021 Donor Honor Rolls

Board of Ambassadors

Members of the Board of Ambassadors serve through volunteering leadership, expertise, and philanthropic support to NBTS.

Aaron and Kelly Theberge
Chris Suplick
Deborah and Lindsay LaRoche
Diana and Matthew Gordon
Susan and Jeff Davis
Jim Clarahan
Jim Graul
Julie and Michael Durbin
Lido Ramadan
Mariana César de Sá
Meghan Whaley
Michael Corkin
Michael Nathanson
Ricardo César de Sá
Stephen C. Conley

Catalyst Circle

Members of the Catalyst Circle have made leadership gifts in support of the Nathanson Family Catalyst Fund for Brain Tumor Research. www.NathansonFund.org.

Amy Null and Andrew Budson
Andrew Merken
Jeanie and Jim Kirkiles
Judi and Edward Zucker
Martin Bicknell Household
Julie and Michael Durbin
Michael and Dawn Nathanson
The Corkin Family
Michael Goss
Ronald Rubin
Sarah Durham and Craig Winer
The Sadler Family
Lowenstein Sandler LLP
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Shikiar Family Foundation



Left: Steve Sadler and Sarah Durham in between board chair Tom Roloff and CEO David Arons; right: Michael Nathanson and David Arons

2021 Active Voting Board Members

Erica Birke

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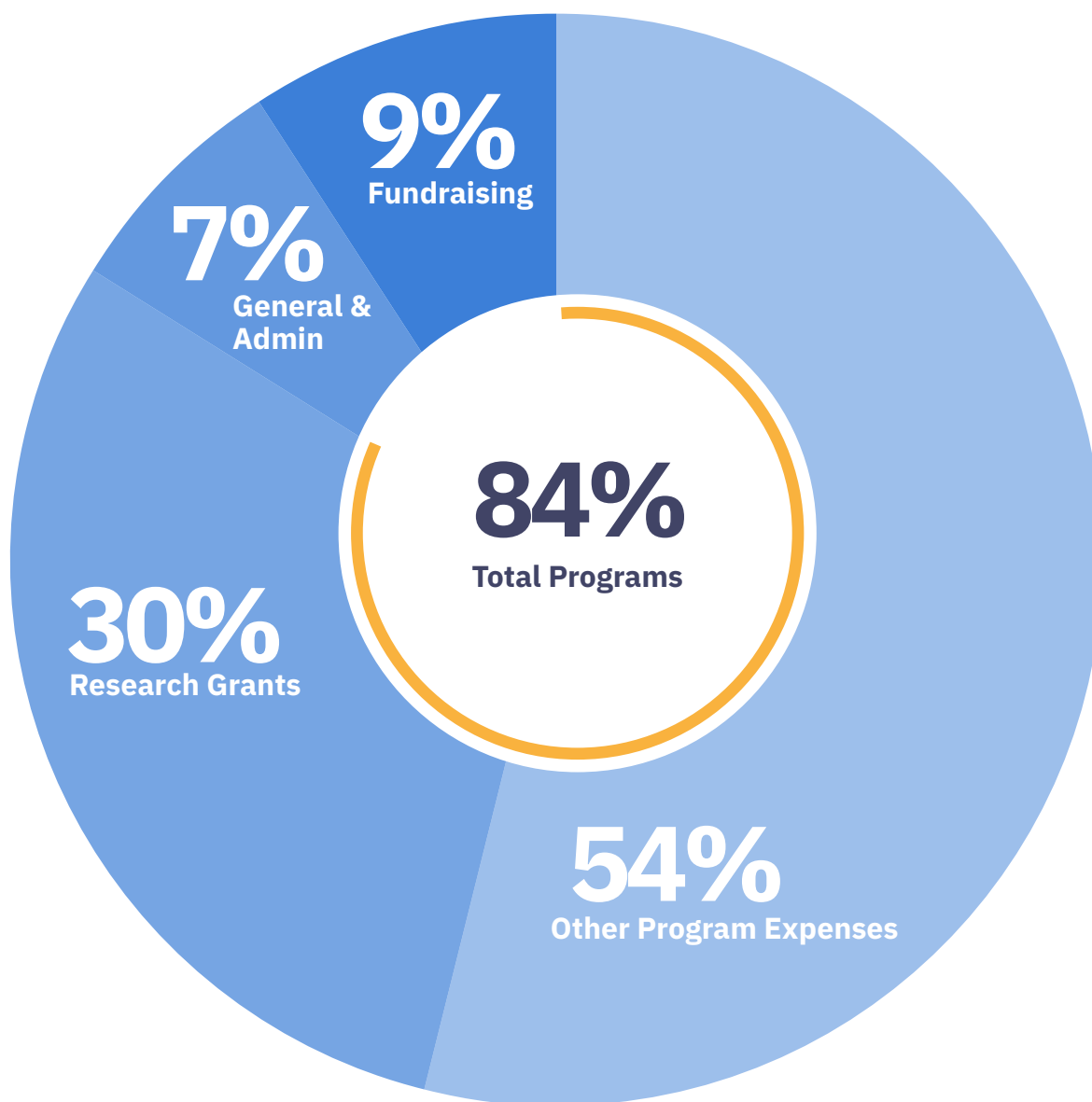
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Joohee Sul, MD

Corie Yutkin

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2021 National Brain Tumor Society Financials



National Brain Tumor Society unrelentingly invests in, mobilizes, and unites our community to discover a cure, deliver effective treatments, and advocate for patients and caregivers. We advance our mission through three interconnected, programmatic strategies: Defeat, Connect, and Change. Eighty-four percent of funds raised by NBTS goes directly to advancing our programs.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	2021	2020
Assets		
Cash	\$10,256,352	\$8,059,747
Employee Retention credit receivable	783,108	—
Investments	1,181,368	1,487,595
Pledges Rec	569,167	256,700
Prepays	124,681	184,531
Long-term assets	173,632	44,569
Total	\$13,088,308	\$10,033,142

Liabilities

AP & Accrued	\$310,687	\$242,579
Research Grants Payable	700,000	500,000
Other Long-Term Liabilities	691,052	735,452
Total	\$1,701,739	\$1,478,031

Net Assets

W/O Donor Restrictions	6,730,462	3,431,389
W/ Donor Restrictions	4,656,107	5,123,722
Total	\$11,386,569	8,555,111

Total Liabilities & Net Assets

\$13,088,308	\$10,033,142
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	2021	2020
Revenue		
Events	\$5,042,005	\$4,498,244
Grants/Contributions	4,616,250	3,673,064
Employee Retention credit	783,108	—
Bequests	601,973	665,657
Donated goods & services	21,394	40,489
Other	46,779	68,697
Total	\$11,111,509	\$8,946,151

Operating Expenses

Personnel	\$4,247,282	\$4,180,836
Research grants	2,720,431	968,121
Special Events	313,463	387,055
Professional Services	525,468	434,823
Travel	11,520	41,445
Systems and IT	425,861	422,378
Other	723,753	738,273
Total	\$8,967,778	\$7,172,931

Change in Net Assets from Ops

\$2,143,731	\$1,773,220
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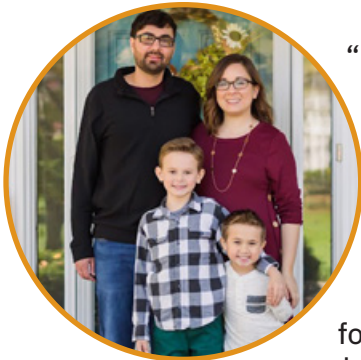
Endowment & Other revenue	\$687,727	\$17,591
Change in Net Assets	\$2,831,458	\$1,790,811



National Brain Tumor Society takes great pride in our financial efficiency and accountability, and we work to maximize the value of every dollar we receive. The GuideStar Platinum Seal of Transparency is the highest level of recognition offered by the organization. As this designation demonstrates, we are committed to transparent communication and responsible stewardship of donor investment.



Community here.



“Head to the Hill was an opportunity to share my voice and feel heard as a caregiver to my spouse living with glioblastoma. I was able to share our story, advocate for relevant issues,

and express gratitude and concern to our lawmakers. For a

challenging disease that leaves us as patients and caregivers feeling out of control, I felt empowered by the NBTS team to advocate for our needs and those of the brain tumor community.”

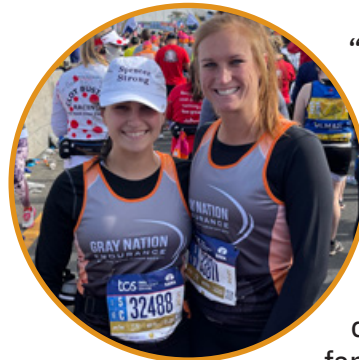
—KATIE M.



“I am a caregiver to my husband of 48 years — the last three we have been fighting glioblastoma. This is a journey that no one should travel alone. Thanks to the National Brain Tumor Society, no one has to. During the Brain Tumor Support

Conversations calls, a combination of caregivers and people with brain tumors from across the globe share in their emotional milestones and sometimes daunting setbacks. National Brain Tumor Society offers hope. You can find clinical trials, research, patient assistance, events, and so much more on their website, and it is my go-to for all my information.”

—LORIE R.



“In Nov. 2019, my boyfriend was diagnosed with an anaplastic astrocytoma, and it has been nothing short of incredible to watch him kick this tumor’s butt! I wanted to do something to honor him, and at the same time, raise awareness and funds for new research that can help lead to new discoveries involving brain tumors. He amazes me every single day with his discipline, determination, and strength, all while caring for family and friends even more than himself. I wanted to do this to show him my strength and that anything is possible when you put your mind to it.”

—KRISTEN S.



“Head to the Hill connects me with every part of the brain tumor community: those who make decisions about where research dollars are spent and those of us who are living with tumors. It is an emotional, powerful event that gives me hope and life!”

—BRETT J.



“I am not a survivor, but am surviving with a brain tumor. The brain tumor community carries an incredible sadness, and for many reasons I hate being a part of it. However, I choose to be hopeful that treatments will improve during my lifetime. I am

grateful to NBTS and the rest of the community for sharing in this profound hope and for pushing the status quo aside in order to make progress. These past few years have been so hard and isolating for everyone. I am proud that despite COVID, we were able to come together and raise money to support research for better treatments so in the future there will be fewer grieving families, and more surviving patients, like me.”

—ALEXANDRA B.



“As a parent of a young child battling a brain tumor, I find it impossible to make sense of why something like this happens. But the more you learn, and the longer you’re on the journey, the more you want to help make a difference. NBTS has made it so easy to help. I consider NBTS to be more than an advocate — the people there are truly partners in our family’s journey.”

—JIM M.

“I just remember looking around the hotel lobby and seeing other people with craniotomy scars, and it was the first time I had ever experienced that — feeling like I’m at home. This is my community. These are my people.”

— ADAM H.

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Breakthroughs ahead.

At the end of 2021, NBTS ran a #BreakthroughsAhead campaign to raise critical funds to pave the way toward a cure and better quality of life for patients and their loved ones. NBTS received a record-breaking number of year-end gifts because of your generosity.

“When mum passed away, we held a celebration of life service. Instead of flowers, we asked family and friends to donate money to research treatments and a potential cure for GBM. The decision to support the National Brain Tumor Society came after weeks of researching different organizations around the world. During our short yet painful battle with GBM, it was difficult to find a place that not only offered us practical and emotional support but was also leading the fight to find a cure for GBM. NBTS, we know now, offers all of this.”

— MARIANA AND RICARDO C.



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When you support NBTS, you have an immediate impact on the important work underway to conquer and cure brain tumors — once and for all.



“I became a member of the board of the National Brain Tumor Society because I support their quest for cures and, in the process, changing our patients’ lives through outreach and advocacy. Every day, I’m working towards breakthroughs as a medical neuro-oncologist and researcher because my patients inspire and motivate me. Our patients cannot wait. Answers cannot wait. We need them now.”

— DR. EVA GALANIS, MAYO CLINIC

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“We love being a part of events like Race For Hope-DC, which our family has been doing every year since 2003 to be close to the community, to raise money for research, and to raise money to support brain tumor efforts across the country. It means a lot to me to now be on the staff of the National Brain Tumor Society because this is something I’ve been doing since I was really, really little. Some of my earliest memories are of doing the bike ride up in Boston or doing the 5K in Washington, D.C., and seeing the sea of people who understood the experience I had as a little kid.”

— ELI G.

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“I want to see my son get married. I want to see my daughter get married. I want to see our oldest daughter graduate college. From the second I was diagnosed, that’s been my biggest fear. I find it so important to try to find a cure.”

—Holly G.



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