

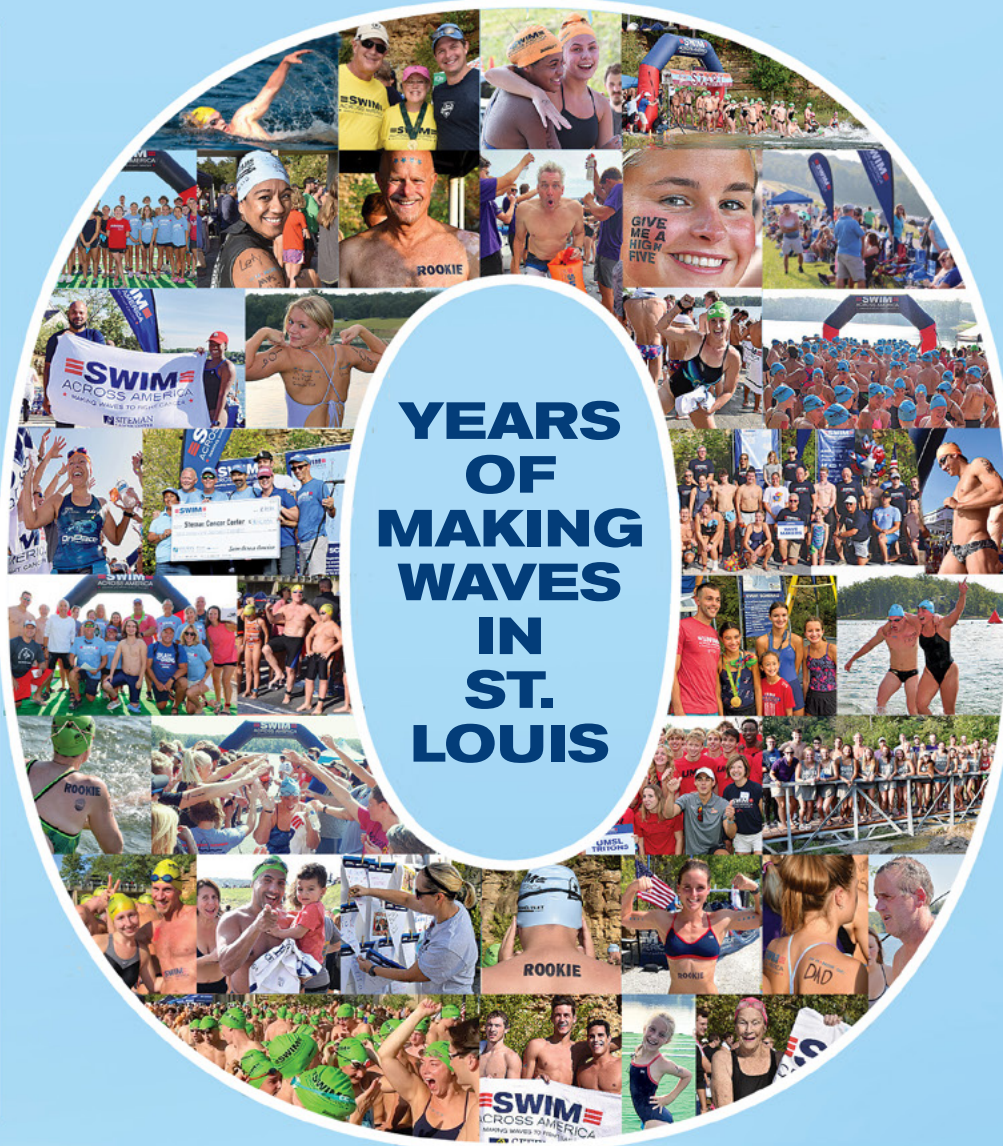
SWIM ACROSS AMERICA

★ MAKING WAVES TO FIGHT CANCER ★

SITEMAN
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SWIM ACROSS AMERICA ST. LOUIS 10th ANNUAL EVENT
SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2025





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Since 2016, Swim Across America St. Louis has raised almost **\$2 MILLION** in the fight against cancer.



★ Swim Across America St. Louis is a **local, all-volunteer organization** that raises money to fund cutting edge research and clinical trials at Siteman Cancer Center. SAA's scientific advisory committee of renowned cancer MDs and PHDs help us select projects and researchers who are the pioneers to curing cancer, and provide seed money to the projects that present the best opportunities for a breakthrough.

★ Our beneficiaries have reported that for **every \$1** they receive from SAA, they are able to secure **\$3 in new funding** they might not otherwise have received. Locally, the SAA-funded clinical trial at

Siteman for pancreatic cancer patients resulted in approval of an **additional \$2.8 million** in direct and indirect funds.

★ **The funds raised here stay here. 100% of each SAA grant** must be applied to the approved clinical trial or research project.

★ **Nationally, Swim Across America has raised more than \$110 million** for cancer research and clinical trials at the nation's top cancer research institutions and played a major role in clinical funding of all four FDA approved immunotherapy drugs.



Olympian guests are part of the SAA experience. Above, two-time Gold Medalist Ryan Held visits with patients, doctors and staff at Siteman Cancer Center as part of a SAA-St. Louis event weekend.



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SAA-ST. LOUIS IMPACT REPORT



SWIM ACROSS AMERICA
2024 GRANT
\$250,000

OUR LOCAL BENEFICIARY
 **SITEMAN**
CANCER CENTER
SUPPORTED SINCE 2016

SAA-ST. LOUIS
HAS RAISED OVER
\$1.6 MILLION
TO FIGHT CANCER
SINCE 2016

RESEARCH EMPHASIS



PROSTATE
CANCER



BREAST
CANCER



PANCREATIC
CANCER



BLOOD
CANCERS



LYMPHOMA

GRANT RECIPIENTS



Melissa Reimers, MD
PROJECT GOAL:
To evaluate the safety and efficacy of therapies in reducing tumor burden in high-risk localized prostate cancer patients before radical prostatectomy.



Nusayba A. Bagegni, MD
PROJECT GOAL:
Phase II study to further research prospective trials for breast cancer patients to validate the clinical utility of PAM50 subtyping and personalized treatment selection in ER+/HER2-BC, particularly for Black patients.



Neha Mehta-Shah, MD
PROJECT GOAL: Phase I
Study for patients with Cutaneous T-cell lymphomas (CTCL) to understand the mechanisms of response and resistance to EZH2 Inhibitor CPI-0209 (Tulmimetostat) and provide insight into future combined therapies.



Imran Zoberi, MD
PROJECT GOAL:
To reduce the number of required post-lumpectomy radiation treatments for breast cancer patients by determining whether just one treatment of Accelerated Partial Breast Irradiation is as safe and effective as the five-treatment standard of care.



Mark Schroeder, MD
PROJECT GOAL:
To explore whether blood cancer patients who receive blood or marrow transplants experience less Graft versus Host Disease when given baricitinib.



RESEARCH MILESTONE! Dr. David DeNardo received philanthropic funding from Swim Across America - St. Louis in 2020. The project goal was to test whether a novel combination therapy in PDAC patients will prime the patient's immune system to attack cancer cells and drive tumor protective immunity during and after pancreas cancer surgery.

Early findings from Dr. DeNardo's Swim Across America study were promising and positioned him to expand his research with a \$2.8 million grant from the National Cancer Institute at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). [Click to read about Dr. DeNardo's NIH grant.](#)

"Without the funding from Swim Across America, the NIH grant simply would not have happened," Dr. DeNardo said. "Reviewers of the NIH grant directly commented that the progress on this SAA trial was a strength in our application."



500+
PARTICIPANTS



100+
VOLUNTEERS



THOUSANDS
OF GENEROUS
DONATIONS



30+
TEAMS



10
OLYMPIAN
GUESTS



COUNTLESS
LIVES SAVED THANKS TO
SWIM ACROSS AMERICA



10th ANNUAL ST. LOUIS OPEN WATER EVENT
SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2025 ★ INNSBROOK RESORT

PARTNERSHIP PACKAGES

PREMIUM LEVELS:

PRESENTING PARTNER \$20,000 ▪ PLATINUM PARTNER \$10,000

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

FOR SPONSORING OLYMPIANS AND SPECIAL EVENTS RELATED TO THE SWIM

GOLD PARTNER \$5,000

- ★ 2 invitations to private event with Olympians
- ★ 3 entry codes for the Open Water Swim
- ★ 2 invitations to private event at Siteman Cancer Center
- ★ Dedicated space (table/tent) at event
- ★ Logo printed on back of t-shirts
- ★ Signage/recognition at event
- ★ Promotion on SAA St. Louis website and SAA St. Louis social media sites
- ★ 5 Swim Across America St. Louis t-shirts

SILVER PARTNER \$2,500

- ★ 2 invitations to private event at Siteman Cancer Center
- ★ 2 entry codes for the Open Water Swim
- ★ Logo printed on back of t-shirts
- ★ Signage/recognition at event
- ★ Promotion on SAA St. Louis website and all SAA St. Louis social media sites
- ★ 5 Swim Across America St. Louis T-shirts

BRONZE PARTNER \$1,000

- ★ Logo printed on back of t-shirts
- ★ Signage/recognition at event
- ★ Promotion on SAA St. Louis social media sites
- ★ 5 Swim Across America St. Louis T-shirts

TO DISCUSS PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

email saastl@swimacrossamerica.org or call **618-401-7216**



Our goal is to have partnerships underwrite 100% of event expenses, so that all participant fundraising from the swim will support immunotherapy clinical trials and research at Siteman Cancer Center.

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SWIM ACROSS AMERICA–ST. LOUIS 2025 PARTNERSHIP FORM

Company _____

Contact Person _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Authorized Signature _____

SELECT YOUR PARTNERSHIP LEVEL

- GOLD PARTNER \$5,000
- SILVER PARTNER \$2,500
- BRONZE PARTNER \$1,000

For Platinum (\$10,000) or Presenting (\$20,000) level partnerships, or special partnership opportunities, please contact kathy@swimacrossamerica.org or call 618-401-7216.

Please return the completed form with check made payable to “Swim Across America” and mail to:
Swim Across America, PO Box 490 O’Fallon, IL 62269.

For signage and marketing, please email your firm logo in a high-resolution TIF or EPS file to billw@swimacrossamerica.org.

For more information, contact kathy@swimacrossamerica.org or call 618-401-7216.

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