Changing the landscape of cancer



LLS FUNDED 268 academic research grants around the world in 2016.



Last year, our Information Resource Center conducted

6,000 SEARCHES FOR CLINICAL TRIALS for blood cancer patients.









2016 annual report



President and Chairman's Message



The fight against cancer is at a unique moment in time. While it is never a good time to get cancer, it is a phenomenal time to be fighting it. The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) is on the frontlines. The combination of new genomic technology, an even deeper understanding of the biology of cancer and the output of new drugs from the pharmaceutical industry make this an extremely exciting time in the field of blood cancer research and treatment.

We saw remarkable progress in treatments for patients with myeloma, chronic lymphocytic leukemia and Hodgkin lymphoma in Fiscal Year 2016, and emerging approaches in immunotherapy and precision medicine continue to show great promise. We entered into new partnerships with biotechnology companies advancing promising new therapies for blood cancer patients, and we played an integral role in supporting Vice President Joe Biden's Cancer Moonshot. LLS is uniquely positioned to lead the charge to find cures and ensure access to treatments for patients with blood cancers.

In addition to our dedicated staff, none of this would be possible without the tens of thousands of volunteers across the country who work every day for patients. It's never been truer – we are a volunteer led, staff driven organization. And we are laser-focused on growth to drive revenue to fuel our mission.

Along with passionate individual and corporate donors, our fundraising campaigns are the driving force moving our mission forward. We are enhancing these iconic programs to capture the imagination of a new generation of donors and participants, and are tapping into the creativity and passion of countless volunteers to elevate awareness of our mission and enhance our ability to stand out in a crowded field of cancer charities and other nonprofits. LLS plays key role in the cancer arena through our ability to convene key stakeholders, including regulatory decision-makers, patients, researchers, top cancer centers, pharmaceutical companies, providers, payors and policy makers. We support breakthrough research and impactful policy initiatives, and provide meaningful patient support and education. LLS is better equipped than ever to make someday today for the 1.2 million people in the United States living with, or in remission from, a blood cancer.

Despite progress we still have much work to do to find cures and help patients access lifesaving treatments. With your continued support we will continue to move closer to cures, changing the landscape of cancer forever.

Louis J. DeGennaro, PhD President and CEO

James H. Davis, PhD, JD Chairman of the Board

Fundraising campaigns: The fuel making someday today

Volunteers fuel our mission: As a nonprofit, LLS relies on the generosity of individuals, corporations and foundations.



participants have raised funds through Team In Training marathons, triathlons, cycling & hiking events.









860 participants competed for the Man & Woman of the Year title in 2016.



Light The Night[®] Walk

Families and communities honored blood cancer survivors, as well as those lost to the diseases, by taking part in nearly 200 Light The Night Walks across North America in Fall 2015. Sponsors as well as friends, family and corporate teams raised more than \$61 million for blood cancer research. For the third year, actor and musician Charles Esten volunteered his time as the National Light The Night Walk honorary chair in recognition of the impact LLS research has had on pediatric cancer care.

Team In Training®

Team In Training (TNT), the world's largest and most successful endurance sports training program for charity, is raising the bar on its efforts to create a world without blood cancers. Thousands of "teammates" volunteered for TNT in Fiscal Year 2016 to inspire personal discovery and help turn training into treatments for blood cancer patients. Funds raised through this premier charity sports program help LLS lead the way in finding therapies that are saving lives today. Teammates can choose to run or walk a marathon or half marathon, swim, bike and run a triathlon, embark on a century bike ride (100 miles) or set out on a hiking adventure. They become part of a supportive team and benefit from high-caliber coaching that helps achieve fitness goals. The program raised \$33.7 million in Fiscal Year 2016, and has raised more than \$1.5 billion over the past 28 years.

Student Series™

In Fiscal Year 2016, volunteers in the combined Student Series: Pennies for Patients, Pasta for Pennies presented by Olive Garden, and Hop for Leukemia raised a total of \$26.5 million. Nearly 13 million students in 25,000 schools learned about service, leadership and philanthropy, and saw firsthand how their involvement made a difference in helping save the lives of blood cancer patients.

Man & Woman of the Year

The 2016 Man & Woman of the Year set another campaign record. For 10 weeks, in more than 80 cities across the country, 860 dedicated community leaders with more than 6,200 registered team members volunteered their time and energy to compete locally to win the prestigious national title of LLS's Man & Woman of the Year. Candidates raised \$38 million, surpassing last year's total by more than \$5 million.

Amanda Bush of Texas, daughter-in-law of Jeb Bush, and Jim Chrisman of Colorado, were the leading 2016 fundraisers, with \$489,417 and \$419,399 raised, respectively. Notably, Amanda Bush, who set a new record for the highest amount raised by a candidate, ran in memory of Robin Bush, the daughter of former President George H.W. Bush and First Lady Barbara Bush. Robin was just 3 years old when she died of leukemia in 1953.

This year's All Star Alumni winners were Tam Driscoll of Portland, OR, and Joseph Vicari of Detroit, MI, raising nearly \$400,000 combined.





Man & Woman of the Year National Winners

Amanda Bush of Texas and Jim Chrisman of Colorado

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Leukemia Cup Regatta

The Fiscal Year 2016 Leukemia Cup Regatta campaign grossed nearly \$3.9 million, a 5% increase over the prior fiscal year. More than 11,000 sailors, powerboaters and standup paddlers, and the general public volunteered in Leukemia Cup activities. Sailing legend Gary Jobson, a lymphoma survivor, continued his service as the national chair of the Leukemia Cup Regatta series, which consists of events throughout the United States and Canada. More than \$58 million has been raised through the Leukemia Cup Regatta series since its start 30 years ago at the Pine Harbor Yacht Club in Birmingham, AL (now Birmingham Sailing Club), when the area sailing community decided to hold a race in memory of Stan Wrobel, a local sailor who lost his life to leukemia.

Partnerships

United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW)

The UFCW has been a powerful voice for LLS for 33 years, with its members raising more than \$80 million for LLS in that time span. In Fiscal Year 2016 alone, the UFCW generated nearly \$2 million in the United States, and more than \$2.4 million in Canada, through a variety of fundraising efforts ranging from golf outings and banquets to auctions and dinners. Thousands of UFCW staff and members volunteered in this year's Light The Night Walk, and they contributed more than \$250,000 to that effort. In Canada, the extraordinary one-day "bottle drive" raised more than \$1.6 million.

Burlington

Burlington Stores partnered with LLS's Light The Night Walk campaign for the 14th consecutive year to help support blood cancer research and advance new treatments for cures. The off-price retailer – LLS's largest national partner – encouraged customers to donate to the cause at check-out and raised more than \$3.3 million. That brings Burlington's grand total collection since the partnership's inception to well over \$25 million.

Walgreens

LLS launched an innovative collaboration with Walgreens Specialty Pharmacy to create new approaches to support cancer patients in their communities, provide educational tools and resources for enhanced patient support and implement a pharmacist education and training program. Walgreens has been a longstanding supporter of LLS and will accelerate community engagement and corporate support for the Light The Night Walk.

runDisney

In January 2016 Team In Training and runDisney celebrated our 20th Anniversary at the *Walt Disney World*[®] Marathon in Orlando, FL. Our partnership over the past 20 years has resulted in more than 28,800 teammates participating and more than \$82.5 million raised at *Walt Disney World*[®] Marathon Weekend! When we tally the total mission impact at all runDisney events, it is over 34,000 teammates and more than \$98 million raised for LLS.

Bike the West

Since 1997 when we first packed up bikes in cardboard boxes to ship to South Lake Tahoe, more than 24,000 Team In Training cyclists have enjoyed America's Most Beautiful Bike Ride. June 2016 saw Team In Training and Bike the West celebrate our 20th year participating in this event and our fundraising total eclipse \$94 million raised for LLS.



UFCW

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Donor Development

Charitable donations fuel every aspect of the LLS mission. With direct gifts that totaled \$35.6 million, donors enthusiastically donated resources for research and patient programs. Highlights included a \$1 million gift from Drenda Vijuk in memory of her husband, Joe, a chronic myeloid leukemia patient. Also, the Harry T. Mangurian, Jr. Foundation made a second multi-million dollar commitment to acute myeloid leukemia (AML) research, ensuring its progression to the clinical trial phase. Other donors who directly supported LLS's Therapy Acceleration Program[®] (TAP), a strategic initiative to invest directly in biotechnology companies, were gratified by significantly increased survival data from a Phase 3 trial by TAP partner Celator Pharmaceuticals.

LLS gratefully acknowledges all donors who fund the mission and proudly lists gifts of \$10,000 or more within the pages of this report. We also honor the memories of thoughtful people who use lifetime assets to make their largest gifts through bequests or beneficiary designations in retirement plans. Nearly \$8 million was received in this manner during the year. Giving also includes our Blood Cancer Awareness Month activities and online fundraising.

Blood Cancer Awareness Month

LLS launched a comprehensive marketing and communications campaign in September 2015 for Blood Cancer Awareness Month. The effort involved printed materials, website pages, digital and social media, email support and public relations across national and local markets, and was further boosted by a "Turn it Red" campaign wherein more than 40 landmarks across the nation and internationally turned their lights red throughout the month.

Online Fundraising

Online fundraising continues to increase in importance to LLS, and is driven largely by our digital marketing efforts. Specifically, we take advantage of sophisticated digital targeting capabilities to recruit participants to join our fundraising campaigns, support them in their own fundraising efforts, keep them engaged and informed post-event, and encourage their ongoing participation.

We also use these channels to drive direct donations, particularly during seasonally driven opportunities such as Blood Cancer Awareness Month (September), Giving Tuesday (first Tuesday post-Thanksgiving) and December when all charitable giving peaks.





TURN IT RED

The 35 W Bridge in Minneapolis, MN. Photo courtesy of KaiserClix.

Research that is changing the landscape of cancer

The LLS research agenda is focused on finding cures and driving research in areas of unmet medical need.





LLS HAS INVESTED **S** BILLION

in research to advance cancer treatments and cures.

Research Spending

LLS's total research funding for Fiscal Year 2016 was \$49.3 million across academic grants and the Therapy Acceleration Program (TAP). The majority of our research commitments are multi-year and reflected below is the fiscal spending.

Academic Grants

LLS's academic research grant funding in Fiscal Year 2016 was \$40.3 million, with 268 grants funded during the year. LLS announced a commitment to invest \$28.6 million in new multi-year grants, with the first year of those grants supported by the Fiscal Year 2016 budget for \$11.49 million. In addition to seeking cures and better treatments for patients, cancer researchers play critical roles with LLS, volunteering their time on boards to review research applications for grants and serving as panelists for our research symposia and educational programs.

Therapy Acceleration Program

LLS supported 22 projects through its Therapy Acceleration Program (TAP), a strategic initiative through which we build business alliances and collaborations with biotechnology companies and academic researchers to speed the development of new therapies and diagnostics. In Fiscal Year 2016 \$9.3 million was invested in new and on-going TAP commitments. Several of our TAP partners celebrated significant milestones in Fiscal Year 2016.

Stemline Therapeutics

TAP partner Stemline Therapeutics reported promising results in 2016 for a therapy to treat a rare blood cancer, blastic plasmacytoid dendritic cell neoplasm, which has no approved standard of care. Stemline reported during the American Society of Clinical Oncology meeting that 89% of patients in a clinical trial had an overall response to its drug, SL-401. The drug, which targets the CD123 protein present on a wide range of blood cancers, is also being tested in AML and multiple myeloma (MM).

Celator Pharmaceuticals

LLS's TAP partner Celator Pharmaceuticals (recently acquired by Jazz Pharmaceuticals) announced positive data in Fiscal Year 2016 for its investigational therapy CPX-351 (Vyxeos[™]) from an LLS-supported Phase 3 clinical trial. Celator's innovative formulation of two standard chemotherapy drugs performed significantly better than the standard therapy, including a statistically significant improvement in overall survival in the clinical trial for newly diagnosed patients, age 60-75, with high-risk (secondary) AML. Based on the outcome of the trial, a new drug application is anticipated some time in Fiscal Year 2017. If approved by the FDA, this would mark the first time that LLS's direct investment in a biotechnology company has enabled a newly approved therapy to reach thousands of patients, a significant achievement for LLS's venture philanthropy initiative.



Jerry Adams, PhD

Walter & Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research, Melbourne, Australia, leads an LLS Specialized Center of Research whose work contributed to approval of venetoclax for patients with a highrisk subset of chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL).

Valor Biotherapeutics

In Fiscal Year 2016 LLS's TAP partner Valor Biotherapeutics initiated its first-in-human, Phase 1 clinical study of IGN002, a novel investigational treatment for non-Hodgkin lymphoma (NHL). IGN002 is a therapy combining an antibody and a cytotoxic agent to target the CD20 protein in lymphoma patients. LLS has been supporting Valor's pre-clinical development and manufacturing of the drug over the past two years.

Kiadis Pharma

LLS initiated a new partnership with Kiadis Pharma through an equity investment into the development of ATIR101[™], an innovative T-cell immunotherapy for blood cancers. This partnership was further strengthened by a second equity investment in July. This TAP investment supports Kiadis' second ongoing Phase 2 trial in leukemia patients, and will be continued into a Phase 3 pivotal study. ATIR101 is a therapy, for adult AML and acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) patients undergoing a stem cell transplantation procedure using donor cells from a half-matched donor who is related to the patient. Stem cell transplantation is one of the most effective curative treatments for blood cancer patients, but it comes with great risk of life-threatening infection and graft versus host disease (GVHD). Kiadis Pharma's ATIR101[™] shows promise in fighting these infections by boosting the patient's immune system while also reducing GVHD.

Beat AML

More than 20,000 patients a year are diagnosed with AML and 10,000 will die annually. LLS continued to lead the offensive against AML in Fiscal Year 2016. We convened an unprecedented collaboration of academic researchers, pharmaceutical companies, a genomic provider, and the Food & Drug Administration to lay the groundwork for a multi-site, multi-treatment arm AML Master Trial. We are set to begin enrolling patients in Fiscal Year 2017. The groundbreaking Beat AML Master Trial will employ advanced genomic technology to enable a precision medicine approach. The goal is to rapidly identify patients' genetic mutations so the patient can be directed to the appropriate trial testing a novel targeted therapy most likely to be effective for their genetic profile. The trial is expected to improve outcomes for AML patients as there has been no change in the standard of care for this patient population in 40 years.



Beat AML

Drs. John Byrd, The Ohio State University; Ross Levine, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center; and Brian Druker, Oregon Health & Science University Knight Cancer Institute, all helping LLS lead the Beat AML initiative.

American Society of Hematology

The 57th American Society of Hematology (ASH) Annual Meeting brought tens of thousands of researchers to Orlando to present data from thousands of clinical trials, with encouraging results for cutting-edge approaches to targeted therapy and immunotherapy. Chimeric antigen receptor therapy (CAR-T), one of a number of methods under development to harness the body's immune system to kill cancer cells, continued to garner attention.

LLS-funded researchers were well-represented at the meeting. Researchers from University of Pennsylvania, where LLS has been supporting a CAR-T program for two decades, presented encouraging results in various studies for patients with lymphoma, ALL and CLL.

CLL afflicts approximately 19,000 new patients per year in the United States. Over the past three years, LLS investment in new research and therapies for CLL has dramatically paid off. Our investment helped advance new therapies approved by the FDA in 2016 for CLL treatment, including ibrutinib and venetoclax. In particular, in 2016, an LLS Specialized Center of Research (SCOR) team, headed by Thomas Kipps, MD, PhD, at University of California San Diego presented data at the ASH meeting showing ibrutinib was superior to a standard chemotherapy in treating CLL patients. These findings contributed to the FDA approval of ibrutinib is a first-line treatment for newly diagnosed CLL patients in place of chemotherapy. In addition, The Ohio State University blood cancer scientist John Byrd, MD, whose work LLS has supported for almost two decades, presented several new CLL studies at the ASH meeting. His LLS-supported work led to the original approval of ibrutinib for CLL in 2014. At the ASH meeting he presented data on another investigational drug that targets BTK, the same protein that is targeted by ibrutinib, and appears to be even more effective.

Another study by an LLS SCOR team at the Walter & Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research (WEHI) in Australia showed that 92% of the study's relapsed CLL patients responded to venetoclax, which targets the BCL-2 protein in cancer cells. BCL-2 controls the life or death of a cell. Venetoclax was FDA approved later in Fiscal Year 2016 for a subset of patients with a high-risk form of CLL. Since 2002, LLS has supported more than \$15 million in research leading to the development of this drug through its collaborative SCOR program.



ASH Symposium

Panelists for LLS's Pre-ASH Satellite Symposium: "Molecularly Targeted Therapies for Hematologic Malignancies."

LLS's Satellite Symposium

LLS sponsored a satellite symposium in Orlando in advance of the ASH meeting titled "Molecularly Targeted Therapies for Hematologic Malignancies."

Five prominent blood cancer experts volunteered their time as panelists, highlighting efforts to develop precisely targeted therapies that go after the tumor cells while sparing the healthy cells. More than 600 attendees learned the latest advances in AML, T-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (T-ALL), CLL and MM.

A Special Roundtable Discussion

LLS brought together a world-renowned panel of thought leaders from research, clinical practice, policymaking, the pharmaceutical industry and patient advocacy to discuss the latest advances in blood cancer research and treatment, cost of care and patient advocacy and policy. The signature event, titled "Blood Cancers: Standards of Care, Gateways to Cancer Cures," was held in New York City and addressed collaboration, access to treatments, venture philanthropy, precision medicine and AML, targeted therapies and the promise of immunotherapy.

Supporting the Moonshot

LLS is actively supporting Vice President Biden's Cancer Moonshot initiative in an effort to accelerate cancer cures.

Dr. DeGennaro was one of many leaders representing the cancer community in Biden's daylong National Cancer Moonshot Summit at Howard University in Washington, D.C., on June 29. The group discussed new ideas and collaborations, and Dr. DeGennaro led a breakout session, "Advancing Research Discoveries and Catalyzing Scientific Breakthroughs."

Simultaneously, LLS hosted the "LLS Cancer Moonshot Town Hall," a national webcast to more than 900 participants, to show how the organization's work is aligned with that of the Moonshot initiative.

Dr. DeGennaro also joined an expert panel at the annual Milken Institute Global Conference, "Promise of the Cancer Moonshot," to share LLS's perspective about what needs to be done to move this effort forward.



LLS Roundtable

Panelists at LLS Roundtable: "Blood Cancers: Standards of Care, Gateways to Cancer Cures."

Last year alone LLS invested



IN CUTTING-EDGE RESEARCH.

Research Advances Highlighted in Media Tour

The American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) meeting took place in Chicago June 3-7. As the world's largest cancer conference, it affords an opportunity for researchers from around the world to share their latest data from cancer clinical trials. To kick off the meeting, LLS President and CEO Louis J. DeGennaro was joined by Gail Roboz, MD, Professor of Medicine, Weill Cornell Medicine/New York Presbyterian Hospital, for a satellite media tour in New York City, to address the latest research news coming out of the annual ASCO meeting. They participated in interviews with 25 TV and radio stations across the country. Dr. DeGennaro discussed LLS's role in advancing new and better treatments and ensuring access, and Dr. Roboz shared her experience as an expert in AML.

Patient and Professional Education

In 2016, LLS's Patient Access department delivered 10 live disease-focused webinars nationally, with more than 3,200 participants. Our patient and professional videos and virtual lectures have been downloaded more than 20,000 times, and more than 600,000 disease and support booklets were distributed.

Additionally, LLS chapters hosted 168 local community-based education programs for patients, caregivers and healthcare professionals, and five local interactive grand rounds for physicians. A symposium focused on clinical trials and CAR-T therapy was held at the annual Oncology Nursing Society conference with more than 600 attendees.



Media Tour

LLS CEO and President Louis J. DeGennaro joined researcher Gail Roboz, MD, of Weill Cornell Medicine/NY Presbyterian Hospital, for a satellite media tour to discuss cancer advances from the American Society of Clinical Oncology annual meeting.

Working to ensure access to care for all blood cancer patients

The goal of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society is to reach patients soon after diagnosis to provide support, disease and treatment information, and access to quality care. LLS continues to be a leader in the delivery of blood cancer education and in enhancing patient access to treatments.







Information Resource Center

Callers to LLS's Information Resource Center (IRC) speak one-on-one with master's degree level healthcare professionals who help them deal with the challenges of a blood cancer diagnosis. Information specialists offer accurate, current disease treatment and support information, and they guide patients through the psychosocial and financial challenges of blood cancer treatment and survivorship. More than 26,000 inquiries were handled by the IRC in Fiscal Year 2016. The IRC's clinical trial navigator assisted 167 patients with complex clinical trial searches, and 49% enrolled in a trial. Information specialists can be reached at (800) 955-4572 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. ET Monday through Friday.

Patti Robinson Kaufmann First Connection Program

The *Patti Robinson Kaufmann First Connection Program* helps newly diagnosed patients cope with their disease by matching them with trained volunteers who have also been touched firsthand by a blood cancer. The peer-to-peer program successfully matched more than 700 patients with volunteers in Fiscal Year 2016.

Co-Pay Assistance

LLS's Co-Pay Assistance Program helps eligible blood cancer patients pay for their prescription drug co-pays and health insurance premiums. LLS provided more than \$40 million to patients in Fiscal Year 2016 through this program.

LLS Community Launch

LLS's mission includes searching for the best outcomes for patients and in that regard has committed to building a national database of all blood cancer patients to compare and contrast treatment experiences. Toward that endeavor, the first phase of this project – The LLS Community – was launched in Fiscal Year 2016. This online site has the familiar look and feel of modern social media sites, but offers an extended conversation and a sense of community. Visitors set up a free account and those recently diagnosed or living with a blood cancer fill out a profile about their diagnosis and treatment. Caregivers as well as supporters are invited to join. In return, all are provided disease-specific information, news and supportive discussion groups as well as inclusion in periodic research surveys. More than 2,500 have joined since the launch in 2016.

Laws to Make Oral Drugs More Affordable

The governors of both Alaska and Pennsylvania signed oral parity laws in 2016, bringing the number of supporting states to 42 plus the District of Columbia. The laws extend a critically important financial protection to thousands of patients living with cancer by ensuring that medications taken orally (self-administered) will receive equitable healthcare coverage to those who receive treatment via infusion or injection in a clinical setting. LLS has been a key player in efforts to pass oral parity laws, leading the coalition in Pennsylvania for the past seven years, growing it to more than 20 patient organizations, healthcare provider associations and the most prominent academic health centers in the state. Volunteer patient advocates played critical roles in helping to get these laws passed, testifying before legislators and participating in letter-writing campaigns.



Blood Cancer Conferences

LLS conducted 10 regional blood cancer conferences, free educational programs for patients, caregivers and healthcare professionals, with nearly 3,000 patients and caregivers in attendance. These conferences provide opportunities to learn more about treatment options, emerging therapies, management of survivorship issues and LLS resources. The conferences would not be possible without the dedication of countless volunteers who serve as speakers, facilitators, guides and committee members, and who perform administrative tasks - everything from registering guests to distributing pamphlets.

Voice for all blood cancer patients

LLS is the voice of all blood cancer patients and is dedicated to removing barriers to care.









state-based VOLUNTEER ADVOCACY TEAMS across the country.





Bringing the Patient Voice into Drug Development

LLS brought a delegation of 15 AML survivors, seven caregivers and other LLS leaders to Washington, D.C., in April to share personal experiences with the FDA and discuss plans for a research study to learn what patients and caregivers are looking for in new treatments. The survivors and caregivers engaged in a roundtable dialogue with Richard Pazdur, MD, FDA director of the Office of Oncology Drug Products, and 20 of his staff and colleagues.

LLS is collaborating with The Johns Hopkins School of Public Health to develop an innovative research study, "Quantifying Patient and Caregiver Preferences for the Treatment of AML," designed to understand patient experiences and expectations, their AML-related worries, and their preferences for the benefits and risks of treatment. A pilot study was conducted in Fiscal Year 2016 and will be expanded in Fiscal Year 2017 to between 100 and 200 people. Ultimately, LLS's hope is that the results will be used to help ensure that both the FDA and drug manufacturers better understand patients' and caregivers' perspectives and include their preferences in the drug development process.

LLS Volunteer Engagement Initiative

It has never been truer, or more necessary, for LLS to fulfill its vision as a volunteer led, staff driven organization. Throughout 2016, we have stepped up efforts to empower passionate leaders to help drive recruitment, engagement and growth of all of our campaigns. Volunteers also play critical roles in our patient access and policy initiatives.

They are extraordinary individuals, companies, clubs and organizations, all dedicated to helping LLS advance its mission. Our volunteers are at the heart of everything we do at LLS. They give their time and talent to make significant differences in the lives of patients and their families in so many ways. Some have achieved remarkable fundraising goals. Others dedicate their services to providing support and expertise for the patients we serve. Some have contributed by helping to create a national program or by helping to elevate LLS's public profile.



FDA Delegation

AML survivors joined LLS staff at FDA meeting.

Volunteers

LLS Volunteer Engagement Initiative



LLS implemented the 2016 NATIONAL RECOGNITION & AWARDS PROGRAM Highlighting the significant contributions of the volunteers who impact our organization and patients.





Throughout 2016 we developed and implemented robust volunteer engagement strategies across our mission and campaign programs to strengthen our efforts to reach and help more patients and support more revenue channels.

- As a critical example, we created a new Patient Access Volunteer Development Program designed to increase our ability to reach and support patients and caregivers soon after diagnosis, and to broaden volunteer engagement in the work of patient access and the organization as a whole. With this program, it is our goal to generate heightened community awareness of LLS and to connect more patients and caregivers with LLS resources so that anyone facing a blood cancer has access to high quality care and can be strengthened by the experiences of others.
- Our volunteer advocates played key roles in our efforts to advance laws and policies to ensure patients have greater access to therapies by testifying in person before government officials and sharing their stories in person, through social media, and letter-writing campaigns.

Importantly, we implemented a National Recognition and Awards program in 2016 to highlight the significant contributions of the volunteers who impact our organization and the patients we help in so many ways every day. Throughout the year, we took opportunities to recognize these invaluable volunteers and on the following pages you will find each volunteer who was recognized in 2016.

Bryce Harper

LLS hit a homerun when Washington Nationals outfielder Bryce Harper announced LLS will be a beneficiary of his limited edition, customdesigned baseball caps. Harper has supported LLS through Harper's Heroes, a program for kids battling blood cancers, since 2013.

L to R: Bryce Harper; Mason Mazzuca, 5-year-old ALL patient and LLS Honored Hero; Mike Rizzo, general manager and President of Baseball Operations for the Nationals

Craig Sager

A week after receiving the Jimmy V Perseverance ESPY Award, NBA Sideline Reporter Craig Sager delivered an inspirational keynote speech about the importance of faith and hope at LLS's Atlanta Blood Cancer Conference. Sager was diagnosed with AML in 2014.

L to R: Craig Sager, Stacy Sager, Piper Medcalf, Dr. Lou DeGennaro

2016 National Recognition & Awards Program

Recognition of the extraordinary involvement of individuals, companies, corporations and organizations in their support of LLS and its mission. Those honored give of their time, talent and treasure and have made a significant difference in the lives of so many. To find out more about our awards program, please go to https://www.lls.org/national-awards-nomination.

Congratulations to all the 2016 awardees!

2016 National Recognition & Awards Recipients

Return of the Child Award

Researcher or clinician who has focused their entire career to helping find cures and save lives.

John Byrd, MD Central Ohio Chapter

Tree of Life Award

Individual, member of medical or scientific community, who has implemented a program or service to support blood cancer patients and their families.

Karen Albritton, MD North Texas Chapter

Spiral of Life Award

Individual who contributes personal and professional talents to advance an LLS national campaign or program.

James H. Davis, PhD, JD National Capital Area Chapter

Jim McKinnis North Texas Chapter

Vision for Life Award

Individual, corporation, or organization who, by thinking outside of the box, helped to create a new national campaign or program.

Bernard and Ethel Garil Palm Beach Area Chapter

Duncan Glew Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter

Dr. John J. Kenny Award

Member of medical community, a social worker, or a caregiver who supports patient services.

Nancy Boyle, MSW, LCSW, OSW-C Oregon SW Washington Idaho Montana Chapter

David William Hirsch North Carolina Chapter Karen King North Texas Chapter

Dr. William Dameshek Award

Public figure who has helped focus national attention to LLS.

Kevin Alston Massachusetts Chapter

Mid-America Chapter Jon Bonnell North Texas Chapter

Eric Berry

Bryce Harper National Capital Area Chapter

Craig Sager Georgia Chapter

Rabbi David Wolpe California Southland Chapter

Dr. Kenneth B. McCredie Award

Individual or corporation who has supported LLS for at least five (5) years and helped raise more than \$1 million.

Lawrence J. "Doc" Cohen Texas Gulf Coast Chapter

Elbit Systems of America North Texas Chapter

EY New York City Chapter

Gilles Legault LLS Canada Chapter

The Manos Family CTWHV Chapter

The Newman Family National Capital Area Chapter

Partners For A Cure Greater Sacramento Area Chapter Sempra Energy

California Southland Chapter

Stater Bros. Markets Orange County Inland Empire Chapter

Partners Against Blood Cancer Award

Ruby (40+ years of partnership) Robert "Spider" Cantley Greater Bay Area Chapter

Diamond (30+ years of partnership) Birmingham Sailing Club Alabama/Gulf Coast Chapter

Houston Police Department Bicycle Relay Team Texas Gulf Coast Chapter

LeRoy Smigel Central Pennsylvania Chapter

Summer Solstice Committee Central Pennsylvania Chapter

Platinum (20+ years of partnership) Dallas Marathon

North Texas Chapter

Links Fore Leukemia North Texas Chapter

The Niello Company Greater Sacramento Area Chapter

Gold: (15+ years of partnership) Burbank High School California Southland Chapter

Compass Oncology Oregon SW Washington Idaho Montana Chapters

Patterson Road Elementary School California Southland Chapter

Marian Riestenberg Tri-State Southern Ohio Chapter

Silver (10+ years of partnership)

Christbridge Academy California Southland Chapter

Dallas Athletes Racing North Texas Chapter

Dana Middle School California Southland Chapter

GE Aviation Tri-State Southern Ohio Chapter

Geico North Texas Chapter

Manatt Phelps & Phillips LLP California Southland Chapter

PwC Silicon Valley & Monterey Bay Area Chapter

SanDisk Silicon Valley & Monterey Bay Area Chapter

Silicon Valley Bank Silicon Valley & Monterey Bay Area Chapter

South Pasadena Middle School California Southland Chapter

Bronze: (5+ years of partnership)

A.C.E. Family Foundation Long Island Chapter

Alaska Airlines Washington & Alaska Chapter

BMC North Texas Chapter

HFF North Texas Chapter

Honored Hero Run North Texas Chapter

Marge & Charles Schott Foundation Tri-State Southern Ohio Chapter

Plavtri North Texas Chapter

Round Meadow Elementary School California Southland Chapter

Thompson & Knight North Texas Chapter

President's Award

Recognizes a volunteer whose personal commitment and dedication inspires and motivates others to support our mission and help make Someday Today.

Christine Attia Greater Bay Area Chapter

Board Citation Award

Corporation or organization whose ongoing commitment and dedication is worthy of national recognition.

American Electric Power Central Ohio Chapter

Pat Harwood Minnesota Chapter

Huntington National Bank Central Ohio Chapter

KeyBank of Oregon Oregon SW Washington Idaho Montana Chapter

Richard Loomis SVP and CMO. **Disney Channels Worldwide** California Southland Chapter

William Mason High School Tri-State Southern Ohio Chapter

Chairman's Advocacy Award

Volunteer, advocate or legislator recognized for support of LLS's advocacy efforts.

Virginia Garner California Southland Chapter

Senator Bill Ketron Tennessee Chapter

BGen (ret) Steven A. Roser North Texas Chapter

R. Keith Traster North Texas Chapter

Chairman's Citation Award

Individual whose dedication to LLS is worthy of national recognition.

Marie Achatz Long Island Chapter

Evelvn Bata, MD National Capital Area

Jim Filiatrault, TCF Bank Minnesota Chapter

Paul Fox Illinois Chapter

Kerry Garnett San Diego / Hawaii Chapter

Neil & Emily Kishter National Capital Area Chapter

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Jerry Adams, PhD 2013 Walter & Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research

Jon Aster. MD 2013 Brigham and Women's Hospital

John Byrd, MD 2011¹ The Ohio State University

William Carroll, MD 2014 New York University School of Medicine

Irene Ghobrial, MD 2014 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Helen Heslop, MD 2014 Baylor College of Medicine

Carl June. MD 2013² University of Pennsylvania

Thomas Kipps, MD, PhD 2014 University of California, San Diego

Jonathan Licht, MD 2013 University of Florida

& Stephen Anbinder.

by Marc & Shari Weissbach.

Ari Melnick, MD 2016* Weill Cornell Medical College

David Weinstock, MD 2016* Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Career Development Program (Scholars and Clinical Scholars)

The Career Development Program provides stipends to investigators of exceptional promise in the early stages of their careers, helping them devote their careers to research in leukemia, lymphoma or myeloma.

Omar Abdel-Wahab, MD 2017* Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Gregory Abel, MD 2013 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

K Mark Ansel, PhD 2013 University of California, San Francisco

Saro Armenian, DO, MPH 2017* Beckman Research Institute of City of Hope

Uttiya Basu, PhD 2016 Columbia University Medical Center

Julie Blander, PhD 2015 Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Patrick Brown, MD 2012³ The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Jan Burger, MD, PhD 2014 The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center Fernando Camargo, PhD 2016 Boston Children's Hospital

lain Cheeseman, PhD 2013 Whitehead Institute for **Biomedical Research**

Jerry Chipuk, PhD 2017* Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Dipanjan Chowdhury, PhD 2015 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Tomasz Cierpicki, PhD 2017* University of Michigan

Christopher Cogle, MD 2013 University of Florida

Yali Dou, PhD 2013 University of Michigan

Benjamin Ebert, MD, PhD 2013 Brigham and Women's Hospital

Thomas Fazzio, PhD 2015 University of Massachusetts Medical School

Benjamin Garcia, PhD 2016 Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania

Ramiro Garzon, MD 2016 The Ohio State University

Irene Ghobrial, MD 2017* Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Andrei Goga, MD, PhD 2013 University of California, San Francisco

Jolanta Grembecka, PhD 2014⁴ University of Michigan

David Guertin, PhD 2016 University of Massachusetts Medical School

Katharine Hsu, MD, PhD 2017* Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Morgan Huse, PhD 2015 Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

John Koreth, MD, PhD 2014⁵ Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Ross Levine, MD 20136 Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Ming Li, PhD 2015 Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Ivan Maillard, MD, PhD 2014 University of Michigan

Ravindra Maieti, MD, PhD 2016 Leland Stanford Junior University

Constantine Mitsiades, MD, PhD 2017* Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Golam Mohi, PhD 2014 SUNY Upstate Medical Center

Trista North, PhD 2017* Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Ryoma Ohi, PhD 2014 Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Sophie Paczesny, MD, PhD 2015 Indiana University

Emmanuelle Passegué, PhD 2013 University of California, San Francisco

Cathie Pfleger, PhD 2013 Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Talya Salz, PhD 2014 Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Joseph Scandura, MD, PhD 2014 Weill Cornell Medical College

Tait Shanafelt, MD 2013 Mayo Clinic

Xiaobing Shi, PhD 2017* The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Merav Socolovsky, MD, PhD 2013 University of Massachusetts Medical School

Daniel Starczynowsi, PhD 2016 Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

Kimberly Stegmaier, MD 2014 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Ulrich Steidl, MD, PhD 2015 Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Inc.

Enrico Tiacci, MD 2014 University of Perugia

Raoul Tibes, MD, PhD 2015 Mayo Clinic Arizona

Wei Tong, PhD 20147 of Philadelphia

Christopher Vakoc, MD, PhD 2016 Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory

Amit Verma, MD 2013 Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Inc.

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Loren Walensky, MD, PhD 2015 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

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The Children's Hospital David Traver. PhD 2013

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Hengbin Wang, PhD 2013

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Cancer Center

San Diego

Wenyi Wei, PhD 2014

Beth Israel Deaconess

David Weinstock, MD 20148

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Hans-Guido Wendel, MD 2015

Johnathan Whetstine, PhD 2015

Massachusetts General Hospital

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Xiaochun Yu, MD, PhD 2015

Beckman Research Institute

Chengcheng Zhang, PhD 2014

UT Southwestern Medical Center

University of Wisconsin System

Shan Zha, MD, PhD 2014

Columbia University

Jing Zhang, PhD 20149

Xiaolan Zhao, PhD 2014

Elina Zuniga, PhD 2013

University of California,

Memorial Sloan Kettering

Memorial Sloan Kettering

Catherine Wu, MD 2015

Career Development Program (Special Fellows, Clinical Special Fellows and Fellows)

Spencer Alford, PhD 2015 Leland Stanford Junior University

Burton Barnett, PhD 2015 University of California, San Diego

Cora Bergantinos, PhD 2015 Columbia University Medical Center

Shruti Bhatt, PhD 2017* Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Nicholas Brown, PhD 2016 St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Sheng Cai, MD, PhD 2017* Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Marcella Cesana, PhD 2015 Boston Children's Hospital

Hye Ji Cha, PhD 2017* Boston Children's Hospital

Huan Chen. PhD 2017* Boston Children's Hospital

Michael Chu, MD 2015 Leland Stanford Junior University

Ahmet Coskun, PhD 2016 California Institute of Technology

Madzia Crossley, PhD 2017* Leland Stanford Junior University

Ana Carolina da Silva Almeida, PhD 2017* Columbia University Medical Center

Sarah Deng, PhD 2017* New York University Medical Center

Dan Dominissini, PhD 2016 The University of Chicago

Zhixun Dou, PhD 2015 University of Pennsylvania

Jonathan Esensten, MD, PhD 2017*10 University of California. San Francisco

Eva Fast, PhD 2015 President & Fellows of Harvard College

Craig Forester, MD 2016 University of California, San Francisco

Jacqueline Garcia. MD 2015 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Charles Gawad, MD 2014¹¹ Leland Stanford Junior University

Stephanie Grainger, PhD 2015 University of California, San Diego

Sarah Hainer. PHD 2017* University of Massachusetts Medical School

Andrew Intlekofer, MD 2016 Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Stephanie Johnson, PhD 2015 University of California, San Francisco

Neerai Joshi, PhD 2016 University of California, San Francisco

Michael Khodadoust, MD, PhD 2015 Leland Stanford Junior University

Seoyoung Kim, PhD 2015 Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Fides Lav. PhD 2017* University of California. Los Angeles

I-Ju Lee, PhD 2016 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Stanley Lee, PhD 2017*12 Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Qiming Liang, PhD 2016 University of Southern California

Michael Lofgren, PhD 2015 Harvard Medical School

Marko Lõoke, PhD 2015 Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Marsilius Mues. PhD 2015 University of California, San Francisco

Vera Mugoni, PhD 2016 Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Jagan Muppidi, MD 2016 University of California, San Francisco

Wen Pan. PhD 2015 Yale University

Jelena Petrovic, PhD 2017* The University of Pennsylvania, Medical Center

Lars Plate. PhD 2016 The Scripps Research Institute

Jessica Ridilla, PhD 2015 Brandeis University

Russell Ryan, MD 2017* Massachusetts General Hospital

Prabha Sarangi, PhD 2016 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Anne Schuetz, PhD 2017* University of Toronto

Srividya Swaminathan, PhD 2017*13 Leland Stanford Junior University

Anastasia Tikhonova, PhD 2015 New York University School of Medicine

Zuzana Tothova, MD, PhD 2016 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Peter van Galen, PhD 2017* Massachusetts General Hospital

Isana Veksler-Lublinsky. PhD 2015 University of Massachusetts Medical School

Bas Wouters, MD, PhD 2016 Erasmus University Rotterdam

Selwin Wu. PhD 2017* Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Heping Xu, PhD 2016 Cincinnati Children's Research Foundation

Chao Yang, PhD 2016 The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Joshua Zeidner, MD 2015 The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Yu Zhang, PhD 2015 Boston Children's Hospital

Hufeng Zhou, PhD 2016 Brigham and Women's Hospital

Giulia Casorati, PhD 2016

Lucio Castilla. PhD 2015 University of Massachusetts Medical School

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Ricardo Aguiar, MD, PhD 2017* University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

Iannis Aifantis, PhD 2017* New York University School of Medicine

Gheath Al-Atrash, DO, PhD 2015 The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Caroline Arber, MD 2016 Baylor College of Medicine

Robert Baiocchi, MD, PhD 2014¹⁴ The Ohio State University

Francesco Bertoni, MD 2017* Fondazione per la Ricerca e la Cura dei Linfomi nel Ticino

Bruce Blazar, MD 2015 University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Marie Bleakley, MD, PHD, M.MSC 2017 Fred Hutchinson Cancer **Research Center**

Fondazione Centro San Baffaele

Leandro Cerchietti, MD 2016 Weill Cornell Medical College

Li Chai, MD 2016 Brigham and Women's Hospital

James Coghill, MD 2015 The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Sandeep Dave, MD 2016 Duke University Medical Center

Randall Davis. MD 2017* University of Alabama at Birmingham

Madhav Dhodapkar, MBBS 2017* Yale Universitv

Todd Fehniger, MD, PhD 2017* Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis

Adolfo Ferrando, MD, PhD 2015 Columbia University Medical Center

Andrés Ferreri, MD 2017* Fondazione Centro San Raffaele

Mark Frattini, MD, PhD 2015 Columbia University Medical Center

Paul Frenette, MD 2015 Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Inc.

Lucy Godley, MD, PhD 2017* The University of Chicago

Stephen Gottschalk, MD 2016 Baylor College of Medicine

Douglas Graham, MD, PhD 2016 Emory University

Steven Grant, MD 2015¹⁵ Virginia Commonwealth University

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Jolanta Grembecka, PhD 2016 University of Michigan

Timothy Hughes, MD, FRACP, FRCPA, MBBS 2017* South Australian Health & Medical Research Institute

Richard Jones, MD 2015 The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Emmanuel Katsanis, MD 2017* The University of Arizona

Michael Kharas, PhD 2017* Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Yong-Mi Kim, MD, PhD, MPH 2017*

Children's Hospital Los Angeles

Marina Konopleva, PhD 2016 The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Andrew Kung, MD, PhD 2015 Columbia University Medical Center

Dan Landau, MD, PhD 2017* Weill Cornell Medical College

Mignon Loh, MD 2015¹⁶ University of California, San Francisco

Ivan Maillard, MD 2015 University of Michigan

William Matsui, MD 2016 The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Ari Melnick, MD 2015 Weill Cornell Medical College

Tarik Moroy, PhD 2015 Institut de Recherches Cliniques de Montreal Charles Mullighan, MBBS (Hons), MSc, MD 2017* St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Nikhil Munshi, MD 2016 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Markus Müschen, MD, PhD 2014¹⁷ University of California, San Francisco

Teresa Palomero, PhD 2017* Columbia University Medical Center

Antonio Palumbo, MD 2016 Universita degli Studi di Torino-Dipartimento di Biotecnologie e Scienze per la Salute

Javier Pinilla, MD, PhD 2015 H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute

Noopur Raje, MD 2017* Massachusetts General Hospital

Anjana Rao, PhD 2015 La Jolla Institute for Allergy and Immunology

Feyruz Rassool, PhD 2016 University of Maryland

Katy Rezvani, MD, PhD 2015 The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Alain Rook, MD 2016 University of Pennsylvania

James Rubenstein, MD, PhD 2014⁷⁸ University of California, San Francisco

Ralph Sanderson, PhD 2017* University of Alabama at Birmingham Stefanie Sarantopoulos, MD, PhD 2016 Duke University Medical Center

Guy Sauvageau, MD, PhD, FRCP (C) 2017* IRIC - Institut de Recherche en Immunovirologie et en Cancerologie

David Scadden, MD 2017* Massachusetts General Hospital

Aaron Schimmer, PhD, MD, FRCPC 2015 University of Toronto

Daniel Starczynowski, PhD 2017* Cincinnati Children's

Ulrich Steidl, MD, PhD 2017* Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Inc.

Research Foundation

Kris Thielemans, MD, PhD 2016 Vrije Universiteit Brussel

John Timmerman, MD 2014¹⁹ University of California, Los Angeles

Steven Treon, MD, PhD 2015 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Amit Verma, MBBS 2016 Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Inc.

David Wald, MD, PhD 2016 Case Western Reserve University

Roland Walter, MD, PhD 2016 Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center

Y. Lynn Wang, MD, PhD, FCAP 2017* The University of Chicago George Weiner, MD 2017* University of Iowa

Amittha Wickrema, PhD 2017* The University of Chicago

Catherine Wu, MD 2015 Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

B. Hilda Ye, PhD 2015 Albert Einstein College of Medicine. Inc.

Qing Yi, MD, PhD 2015 Cleveland Clinic Foundation

Jianhua Yu, PhD 2017* The Ohio State University

Johannes Zakrzewski, MD 2015 Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

Translational Research Program: Renewal

Stephen Ansell, MD, PhD 2016²⁰ Mayo Clinic Rochester

Smita Bhatia, MD, MPH 2016 University of Alabama at Birmingham

John Crispino, PhD 2015²⁷ Northwestern University

Maria Figueroa, MD 2017* University of Michigan

Ronald Hoffman, MD 2017* Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

James Rubenstein, MD, PhD 2017* University of California, San Francisco

Ryan Wilcox, MD, PhD 2016 University of Michigan

MPN Challenge Grants

This program is run in partnership with the Myeloproliferative Neoplasm Research Foundation (MPNRF).

Nadia Carlesso, MD, PhD 2016 Indiana University School of Medicine

George Church, PhD 2016 Harvard Medical School

Camelia Iancu-Rubin, PhD 2016 The Tisch Cancer Institute

Robert Kralovics, PhD 2016 Center for Molecular Medicine of the Austrian Academy of Sciences

Zhijan Qian, PhD 2016 University of Illinois at Chicago

Katya Ravid, DSc, PhD 2016 Boston University School of Medicine

Brady Stein, MD 2016 Northwestern University

Zhaohui Ye, PhD 2016 Johns Hopkins University

Leonard Zon, MD 2016 Boston Children's Hospital

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Craig Crews, PhD 2017*

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Ari Melnick, MD 2015²³

Susan Parsons, MD 2015

Igor Roninson, PhD 2017*

University of South Carolina

Tufts Medical Center

Steven Dowdy, PhD 2016*22

San Diego - Health Sciences

Weill Cornell Medical College

Madhav Dhodapkar, MBBS 2017*

John Crispino, PhD 2016 Northwestern University

Reuben Kapur, PhD 2016 Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

Phillip Koeffler, MD 2016 Cedars-Sinai Medical Center

Akiko Shimamura, MD, PhD 2016 Boston Children's Hospital

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George Watts, PhD 2017* The University of Arizona Rising Tide Foundation for Clinical Cancer Research/ LLS Patient-Focused Immunotherapy Initiative²⁴

David Gottlieb, MB, MD, FRACP, FRCPA 2017* University of Sydney

Ann Leen, PhD 2017* Baylor College of Medicine

Ronald Levy, MD 2017* Leland Stanford Junior University

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Legacy Circle

Legacy Circle honors those who designate LLS as a beneficiary of their will, trust, retirement account or insurance policy, or fund a charitable gift annuity. We list our newest members below along with those whose beguests of \$10.000 or more were received this year.

Dennis Gerin*

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Independent Auditors' Report

The Board of Directors

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Inc. (LLS), which comprise the consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2016, and the related consolidated statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the organization's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Inc. as of June 30, 2016, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Report on Summarized Comparative Information We have previously audited LLS's consolidated financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified opinion on those audited consolidated financial statements in our report dated October 21, 2015. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015 is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements from which it has been derived.

PMG LLP

November 2, 2016

Consolidated Balance Sheet

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Inc. / June 30, 2016 (with comparative amounts at June 30, 2015) (In thousands)

	2016		2015
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents (note 1)	\$	18,596	52,897
Prepaid expenses and other assets		2,906	6,049
Legacies and contributions receivable, net (note 5)		17,244	8,989
Investments (note 3)		168,293	137,941
Fixed assets, net (note 7)		16,946	14,826
Total assets	\$	223,985	220,702
Liabilities and Net Assets			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	13,655	16,975
Deferred revenue (note 6)		12,916	17,802
Awards and grants payable (note 2)		60,451	69,335
Co-Pay assistance payable (note 2)		13,469	14,465
Other long-term liabilities (note 1)		1,638	1,441
Total liabilities		102,129	120,018
Commitments and contingencies (notes 2 and 9)			
Net assets (note 4):			
Unrestricted		84,178	72,848
Temporarily restricted		34,241	24,146
Permanently restricted		3,437	3,690
Total net assets		121,856	100,684
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	223,985	220,702

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.
Consolidated Statement of Activities

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Inc. / Year ended June 30, 2016 (with summarized totals for the year ended June 30, 2015) (In thousands)

			Temporarily	Permanently	Total		
	L	Inrestricted	restricted	restricted	2016	2015	
Operating revenue							
Campaign contributions	\$	235,036	23,279	64	258,839	259,429	
Less direct donor benefit costs		(26,348)			(26,348)	(24,606)	
Net campaign contributions		208,688	23,279	64	232,491	234,823	
Co-pay contributions		_	46,379	_	46,379	43,000	
Legacies		5,159	2,787	—	7,946	10,157	
Donated services and media (note 6)		11,175	—	—	11,175	9,864	
Net interest and dividend income		1,347	5	_	1,352	1,904	
Net assets released from restrictions (note 2):							
Co-pay assistance		44,673	(44,673)	_	—	_	
Satisfaction of other donor restrictions		18,102	(18,062)	(40)			
Total operating revenue		289,144	10,175	24	299,343	299,748	
Operating expenses (note 6 and 10)							
Program services:							
Research		54,691	_	_	54,691	71,540	
Patient and community service		89,209	_	_	89,209	95,526	
Public health education		42,881	_	_	42,881	36,249	
Professional education		15,373			15,373	16,829	
Total program services		202,154			202,154	220,144	
Supporting services:							
Management and general		27,553	_	_	27,553	31,006	
Fund raising		44,749			44,749	46,205	
Total supporting services		72,302	_	_	72,302	77,211	
Total operating expenses		274,456			274,456	297,355	
Change in net assets from operating activities		14,688	10,175	24	24,887	2,393	
Foreign currency translation adjustment		(30)	(80)	_	(110)	(530)	
Net decrease in fair value of investments (note 3)		(4,157)	_	_	(4,157)	(1,585)	
Net assets transferred and reclassified (note 1)		829	_	(277)	552	_	
Change in net assets		11,330	10,095	(253)	21,172	278	
Net Assets							
Beginning of year		72,848	24,146	3,690	100,684	100,406	
End of year	\$	84,178	34,241	3,437	121,856	100,684	

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Inc. / Year ended June 30, 2016 (with comparative totals for the year ended June 30, 2015) (In thousands)

		Pr	ogram Serv	ices		Supporting Services			Direct Donor			
		Patient and community	Public health	Professional		Management and	Fund		Tot	al	Benefit	
	Research	service	education	education	Total	general	raising	Total	2016	2015	2016	2015
Awards and grants (note 2)	\$ 40,011	_	_	_	40,011	_	_	_	40,011	53,717	_	_
Therapy acceleration program (note 2)	9,343	_	_	_	9,343	_	_	_	9,343	13,503	_	_
Financial aid to patients	_	1,299	_	—	1,299	—	—	—	1,299	430	—	—
Co-pay assistance (note 2)	_	40,030	_	_	40,030	_	—	—	40,030	41,804	—	_
Co-pay processing fees	_	3,375	_	_	3,375	_	_	_	3,375	4,581	_	_
Donated services and media (note 6)	113	2,754	831	—	3,698	_	7,477	7,477	11,175	9,864	—	_
Salaries	2,714	19,096	18,331	7,243	47,384	12,826	13,888	26,714	74,098	79,199	—	_
Employee benefits and taxes (note 8)	547	4,327	4,161	1,655	10,690	2,760	3,075	5,835	16,525	16,519	_	_
Occupancy (note 9)	76	2,711	2,543	902	6,232	1,285	1,709	2,994	9,226	9,566	—	_
Insurance	55	163	84	27	329	273	52	325	654	665	—	_
Telephone	47	659	459	187	1,352	293	338	631	1,983	2,276	—	_
Travel and meetings	531	1,699	1,791	848	4,869	1,282	1,331	2,613	7,482	7,854	13,672	13,765
Printing, advertising, and supplies	124	3,200	3,858	926	8,108	2,143	6,543	8,686	16,794	17,446	4,715	4,181
Equipment rentals and maintenance	91	1,569	1,159	463	3,282	710	836	1,546	4,828	3,580	_	_
Postage and shipping	39	1,410	2,222	331	4,002	464	2,836	3,300	7,302	7,411	—	_
Professional fees	715	3,953	4,717	1,649	11,034	2,992	4,632	7,624	18,658	20,244	1,687	1,299
Miscellaneous	138	1,293	1,060	460	2,951	1,461	811	2,272	5,223	2,916	6,274	5,361
Depreciation and amortization	147	1,671	1,665	682	4,165	1,064	1,221	2,285	6,450	5,780		
Total expenses	\$ 54,691	89,209	42,881	15,373	202,154	27,553	44,749	72,302	274,456	297,355	26,348	24,606

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.



Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Inc. / Year ended June 30, 2016 (with comparative amounts for the year ended June 30, 2015) (In thousands)

	2016		2015	
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Change in net assets	\$	21,172	278	
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash				
provided by (used in) operating activities:				
Net decrease in fair value of investments		4,157	1,585	
Depreciation and amortization		6,450	5,780	
Provision for uncollectible accounts		(445)	126	
Change in long-term liability		197	(425)	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Prepaid expenses and other assets		3,143	(687)	
Legacies and contributions receivable		(7,810)	(2)	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		(3,320)	(1,844)	
Deferred revenue		(4,886)	(8,943)	
Awards and grants payable		(8,884)	(14,866)	
Co-Pay assistance payable		(996)	2,233	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		8,778	(21,231)	
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchases of fixed assets		(8,570)	(4,002)	
Purchases of investments		(238,736)	(36,640)	
Sales of investments		204,227	85,999	
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities		(43,079)	45,357	
Net (decrease) increase in cash				
and cash equivalents		(34,301)	24,126	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		52,897	28,771	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	18,596	52,897	

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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1] Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A] Organization

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Inc. (LLS) is the world's largest voluntary health agency dedicated to finding cures for blood cancers. LLS's mission is to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, and myeloma and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. LLS research grants have funded many of today's most promising advances for the treatment of blood cancer patients, including targeted therapies and immunotherapies. LLS is a leading source of publicly available information regarding blood cancer, and education and support programs. LLS influences public policies that accelerate the development and approval of new blood cancer therapies and advocates for all blood cancer patients and their families, helping patients navigate their cancer treatments and access to quality, affordable and coordinated care. LLS is dedicated to removing barriers to care by representing the healthcare and medical research interests of patients and families to policy makers at all levels of government.

B] Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of LLS, which encompasses the National Office of LLS and its fifty six chapters in the United States, and LLS's not for profit affiliates, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Canada, Inc. (LLSC) and its five chapters in Canada, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Research Programs, Inc. (LLSRP), The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Research Foundation (LLSRF), Beat AML (BAML) and PearlPoint Cancer Support, Inc. (PPCS). Effective March 28, 2016, LLS became the sole member of PPCS. As part of the assumption of control, LLS recognized a transfer of net assets of approximately \$552,000. All significant intercompany and intra LLS accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

C] Tax-Exempt Status

LLS, LLSRP, LLSRF and PPCS qualify as charitable organizations as defined by Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and, accordingly, are exempt from federal income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(a). Additionally, since these organizations are publicly supported, contributions qualify for the maximum charitable contribution deduction under the Internal Revenue Code.

LLSC is registered as a charitable organization under the Income Tax Act (Canada) and is, therefore, not subject to income taxes if certain disbursement requirements are met.

BAML is a single member limited liability company and is a disregarded pass-through entity. Accordingly, all revenue and expenses are included in LLS. Income of BAML is exempt from federal income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) consistent with LLS.

LLS and PPCS recognize the effect of income tax positions only if those tax positions are more likely than not to be sustained. Income generated from activities unrelated to exempt purposes are subject to tax under Internal Revenue Code Section 511. There were no entities that recognized any unrelated business income tax liability for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015.

D] Estimates

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires LLS's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. The significant estimates made in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements include the fair value of alternative investments, allowance for uncollectible accounts, allocation of expenses, and valuation of donated services and media. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

E] Risks and Uncertainties

LLS invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate risks, fluctuations in market values, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the consolidated balance sheet.

LLS's principal source of revenue is contributions by the general public. Accordingly, LLS's operations are dependent upon individual contributions, that are affected by general economic conditions, employment levels, and other factors over which LLS has little or no control. By contrast to the granularity of the general public donations, the co-pay program in 2016 and 2015 was funded by nine and eight donors, respectively.

F] Summarized Financial Information

The consolidated financial statements are presented with 2015 summarized or comparative information. With respect to the consolidated statement of activities, such prior year information is not presented by net asset class and, in the consolidated statement of functional expenses, 2015 expenses by object are presented in total rather than by functional category. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with LLS's 2015 consolidated financial statements from which the summarized information was derived.

G] Subsequent Events

LLS evaluated subsequent events after the balance sheet date of June 30, 2016 through November 2, 2016, which was the date the consolidated financial statements were issued.

On August 23, 2016, LLS received a payment triggered by a change in control clause within a Therapy Acceleration Program (TAP) agreement. LLS funded several phases of research and clinical trials as part of this agreement. In addition to the payment received, LLS may receive additional payments contingent on the advancement of drug FDA approval and commercialization.

H] Net Asset Classifications

To ensure observance of limitations and restrictions placed on the use of resources available to LLS, funds that have similar characteristics have been classified into three net asset categories as follows:

Unrestricted net assets: Consist of funds that are fully available, at the discretion of LLS's Board of Directors, for LLS to utilize in any of its programs or supporting services.

Temporarily restricted net assets: Consist of funds that are restricted by donors for a specific time period and/or purpose.

Permanently restricted net assets: Consist of funds that contain donor imposed restrictions requiring that the principal be invested in perpetuity. Income earned on these funds is recorded as temporarily restricted net assets and is released from restriction when the donor stipulated purpose has been fulfilled and/or the amount has been appropriated in compliance with the Board approved spending policy (note 4).

I] Foreign Currency Translation

LLSC uses the Canadian dollar as its functional currency. Accordingly, the currency translation of the financial statements of LLSC to U.S. dollars is included as a translation adjustment in the consolidated statement of activities.

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J] Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that a reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

LLS follows the provisions of Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820, *Fair Value Measurement*, for its alternative investments that do not have readily determinable fair values, including hedge funds, limited partnerships, and other funds. This guidance allows, as a practical expedient, for the estimation of the fair value of investments in investment companies for which the investment does not have a readily determinable fair value, using net asset value per share or its equivalent, as reported by the investment managers.

The classification of investments in the fair value hierarchy is not necessarily an indication of the risks, liquidity, or degree of difficulty in estimating the fair value of each investment's underlying assets and liabilities.

K] Contributions, Grants and Deferred Revenue

Contributions are recorded as revenue, at their fair value, when received or promised unconditionally. Contributions received with donor restrictions that limit their use are reported as either temporarily or permanently restricted revenue. When a donor restriction is met through the passage of time or fulfillment of a purpose restriction, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the consolidated statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Conditional contributions are recognized as revenue when the conditions have been substantially met. Certain grants are accounted for as exchange transactions whereby revenue is recognized when the related expenses are incurred. Amounts received under these arrangements but not yet expended are reported as deferred revenue.

L] Donated Services

LLS has determined that certain of the donated services it receives meet the criteria for recognition in the consolidated financial statements. The value of contributed services was determined for volunteers that possess specialized skills, and would otherwise need to be purchased. These services are recognized as revenue and expense (note 6).

M] Donated Media

LLS has conducted national public service announcements (PSA) media campaigns and benefited from donated media time that was aired on television and radio. The value of contributed media, which is recognized in the consolidated financial statements, was estimated based on the placement, audience, and demographics of the PSA's (note 6).

N] Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents consist of short term investments with an original maturity of three months or less from date of purchase, except for amounts held in investments.

O] Investments

Investments are stated at fair value based upon quoted market prices, except for the fair values of alternative investments which are based on net asset values provided by the fund managers or general partners, based upon the underlying net assets of the funds consistent with the concepts of ASC 820. These values are reviewed and evaluated by management.

P] Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Fixed assets, which consist principally of equipment, software, and leasehold improvements, are recorded at cost, and are depreciated or amortized using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets or the terms of the leases, if shorter, ranging 2 to 10 years (leasehold improvements 7 years; furniture, fixtures, and office equipment 7 to 10 years, and computer equipment and software 2 to 5 years).

Q] Other Long-Term Liabilities

Other long-term liabilities represent LLS's liability for the Internal Revenue Code Section 457 deferred compensation plans recorded at fair market value (note 8) and straight-line rent of office leases (note 9).

R] Professional Fees

Professional fees included in the consolidated financial statements principally include professional fund-raising fees, contracted software development, and legal and auditing fees.

S] Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications of 2015 amounts have been made to conform to the 2016 presentation.

2] Research and Co-Pay Assistance Program

LLS has various activities that are utilized to carry out its mission as presented below:

Research

Awards and Grants: Awards and grants for research are approved by LLS's Board of Directors and are recognized as expense when contractual conditions have been satisfied. The budgets for multi year grants, which are generally two to five years in length, are approved on an annual basis and may be terminated at the discretion of LLS's Board of Directors. LLS has multi year grant commitments of \$56,541,000 at June 30, 2016, which are conditioned upon future events and, accordingly, are not recorded. LLS has unconditional grants payable of \$60,451,000 and \$69,335,000 at June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, which are anticipated to be paid in the next year. Grant refunds of approximately \$450,000 and \$3,104,000 as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, have been netted against awards and grants expense.

TAP is LLS's strategic initiative to speed the development of blood cancer treatments and supportive diagnostics by creating business alliances with biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies. TAP provides funding for investigational new drug enabling studies and clinical stage projects. TAP contracts are recognized as an expense in the year program milestones are achieved. Multi-year contracts, which are generally two to three years in length, are reviewed against milestones on a quarterly basis and may be terminated at the discretion of LLS's Board of Directors. LLS has contract commitments of \$10,214,000 and \$20,842,000 at June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, that are conditioned upon future events and, accordingly, are not recorded.

Commitments for the awards and grants and TAP programs are contingent upon the satisfactory completion of milestones and/or other conditions in the grant and contract agreements. If such conditions are satisfied, the amounts are estimated to be paid as follows (in thousands):

Year ending June 30:	
2017	\$ 34,812
2018	17,298
2019 and therafter	14,645
Total	\$ 66,755

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Co-Pay Assistance Program

Co-Pay Assistance Program: Co-Pay Assistance Program: The Co Pay Assistance program offers financial assistance to patients in meeting their insurance co pay obligations for prescription medications or private/public health insurance premiums. Amounts awarded under the program are expensed in the year approved based on the available funding in the program. Revenue is recognized when the grants are received while expenses are recognized as patients are approved for participation according to program criteria. Accordingly, LLS has recognized \$8,960,000 and \$7,254,000 in temporarily restricted revenue as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, for which the corresponding expense is not recognized until the subsequent fiscal year as patients are approved in the program. The Co-Pay Assistance payable of \$13,469,000 and \$14,465,000 has been established based on approved patient applications received through June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. At June 30, 2016, temporarily restricted net assets include \$8,960,000 received in 2016, which are available for expenditure and are intended to be awarded in fiscal 2017.

The following summarizes the activities of the Co-Pay Assistance program in 2016 and 2015 (in thousands).

	2016	2015
Beginning balance	\$ 7,254	11,707
Grant commitments	46,379	43,000
Amount expended during the year:		
Direct assistance to patients	(40,030)	(41,804)
Other expenses incurred and reimbursed under the contract	(4,643)	(5,649)
Amounts available for expenditures in the next year	<u>\$ 8,960</u>	7,254

3] Investments

The following tables present LLS's fair value hierarchy of investments measured at fair value on an annual basis as of June 30, 2016 and 2015 (in thousands):

	2016	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Money market funds and cash	\$ 58,704	58,704	-	-
Fixed income:				
Corporate bonds	36,228	36,228	-	-
Government securites and other	2,032	2,032	-	-
Equities:				
Large cap equity	22,466	22,466	-	-
International equity	20,406	20,406	-	-
Small/mid cap equity	10,429	10,429	-	-
Real estate	5,293	5,293	-	-
Commodities	2,996	2,996		
	\$158,554	158,554		
Investments reported at net asset value:	7,503			
Multistrategy hedge funds	2,236			
Long/short equities	9,739			
Total investments reported at net asset value	\$168,293			

	2015	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Money market funds and cash	\$ 18,544	18,544	-	-
Fixed income:				
Long duration fixed income				
(mutual fund)	27,599	27,599	-	-
Short duration fixed income				
(mutual fund)	30,222	30,222	-	-
Government securites and other	2,285	2,285	-	-
Equities:				
Large cap equity	7,577	7,577	-	-
International equity	5,355	5,355	-	-
Small/mid cap equity	223	223	-	-
Real assets	5,638	5,638		
	\$ 97,443	97,443		
Investments reported at net asset value:				
Multistrategy hedge funds	38,075			
Long/short equities	2,423			
Total investments reported at net asset value	40,498			
	\$137,941			

In 2016, LLS transitioned from a traditional Investment custodian to an Outsourced Chief Investment Officer. In this process, LLS liquidated its investment portfolio and re-invested all funds.

Investment expenses of \$560,000 and \$866,000 have been netted against the net decrease in fair value of investments for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The unrealized gains (losses) were \$3,513,000 and (\$4,851,000) for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

LLS's alternative investments are diversified across two investment strategies, as follows:

- Multi strategy hedge funds represent investments in a broad range of investment strategies that seek to exploit opportunities as they occur in the markets due to temporary dislocations or structural inefficiencies and include event driven strategies, distressed debt, merger and other arbitrage, and value investing.
- 2. Long/short equities primarily investments in funds that, in turn, invest in liquid, marketable securities, attempting to realize gains through the identification of mispriced securities.

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These strategies create indirect exposure to LLS through short sales of securities, trading in future and forward contracts, and other derivative products. Derivatives are investment contracts used to hedge risk. While these financial instruments may contain varying degrees of risk, LLS's risk with respect to such transactions is limited to its capital balance in each investment.

LLS's alternative investments contain various redemption restrictions with required written notice ranging from 45-95 days. By contrast, all of LLS's nonalternative investments are highly liquid and can be redeemed daily without restriction. As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, the following table summarizes the redemption provisions for those investments reported at net asset value (in thousands):

Redemption period		2016	2015
Quarterly	\$	6,003	38,075
Annual	_	3,736	2,423
Total	\$	9,739	40,498

In accordance with ASU 2015 10, *Technical Corrections and Improvements*, LLS removed \$6,965,000 as of June 30, 2015 from investments reported at net asset value (or its equivalent) and included these amounts in Level 1 to correct the fair value hierarchy table.

As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, LLS has no unfunded commitments on its alternative investments.

4] Temporarily and Permanently Restricted Net Assets

Temporarily restricted net assets and the income earned on permanently restricted net assets are available for the following purposes at June 30, 2016 and 2015 (in thousands):

2016					2015			
Temporarily Permanently restricted restricted		,			Permanently restricted			
Time restrictions	\$	272	-	\$	607	-		
Research	1	9,377	3,280		11,738	3,543		
Patient service		5,367	_		4,432	-		
Co-pay assistance		8,960	-		7,254	-		
Other		265	157		115	147		
Total	\$ 3	34,241	3,437	\$ 2	24,146	3,690		

LLS follows the provisions of the New York Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act (NYPMIFA), which imposes guidelines on the management and investment of endowment funds. LLS has interpreted the relevant law as allowing LLS to appropriate for expenditure or accumulate so much of an endowment fund as LLS determines is prudent considering the uses, benefits, purposes, and duration for which the endowment fund is established, subject to the intent of the donor as expressed in the gift instrument.

LLS has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment funds while seeking to protect the original value of the gift. The spending rate policy at June 30, 2016 and 2015 was 4%, plus any additional amounts advised by donors. Under this policy, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results consistent with LLS's overall investment strategy.

The following table presents changes in the donor restricted endowment funds for the year ended June 30, 2016 (in thousands):

		mporarily estricted	Permanently restricted	Total			
Endowment net assets at July 1 Investment (loss) income Net appreciation Reclassifications Appropriation for expenditure	\$	3,086 (164)	3,690 64	6,776 (100)			
		280	-	280			
		_ (240)	(277) (40)	(277) (280)			
Endowment net assets at June 30	\$	2,962	3,437	6,399			

The following table presents changes in the donor restricted endowment funds for the year ended June 30, 2015 (in thousands):

Endowment net assets at July 1		mporarily estricted	Permanently restricted	Total	
		3,164	3,575	6,739	
Investment income		61	43	104	
Net appreciation		82	72	154	
Appropriation for expenditure		(221)		(221)	
Endowment net assets at June 30	\$	3,086	3,690	6,776	

5] Legacies and Contributions Receivable

LLS's legacies and contributions receivable at June 30, 2016 and 2015 consist of unconditional promises to give and legacies for which the underlying wills have been declared valid by the probate court and no other conditions are required to be met. Contributions receivables are originally recorded based on discounted cash flows using a risk adjusted discount rate. Amounts are scheduled to be received as follows (in thousands):

	2016	2015
Less than one year	\$ 10,723	7,111
1 to 5 years	7,272	2,413
After 5 years	50	575
Subtotal	18,045	10,099
Less:		
Allowance for uncollectible accounts	(169)	(614)
Discount to present value (1.5% to 5.0%)	(632)	(496)
Total	\$ 17,244	8,989

As of June 30, 2016, 65% of gross legacies and contributions receivable were from two funding sources.

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6] Deferred Revenue, Donated Services and Media

During 2013, LLS received a \$20,000,000 grant with the contractual agreement to be utilized for research that is jointly identified by the grantor and LLS. At June 30, 2016 and 2015, the unexpended balances of the grant of \$1,145,000 and \$4,504,000, respectively, are included in deferred revenue. Revenue under this grant is expected to be recognized over the next year, as expenses are incurred. The remaining balance of deferred revenue includes amounts received for special events that will be held subsequent to the fiscal year end.

The value of donated services for family support group facilitators and research grant reviewers, as well as donated media are included in both revenue and expense as shown below (in thousands):

		2016	2015
Donated services	\$	2,867	4,468
Donated media	_	8,308	5,396
Total	\$	11,175	9,864

7] Fixed Assets, Net

Fixed assets at June 30, 2016 and 2015 consist of the following (in thousands):

	2016	2015
Leasehold improvements	\$ 1,434	1,109
Furniture, fixtures, and other office equipment	3,397	2,629
Computer equipment and software	39,706	31,829
Total	\$ 44,537	35,567
Less accumulated depreciation and amoritization	(27,591)	(20,741)
Fixed assets, net	<u>\$ 16,946</u>	14,826

8] Retirement Plans

LLS has a defined contribution 403(b) plan covering all employees meeting age and service requirements. LLS contributions are based on a percentage of each eligible employee's salary and years of service. Expenses under this plan aggregated \$1,827,000 and \$1,858,000 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

LLS has nonqualified deferred compensation plans for its executive staff subject to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code Section 457 (the 457 Plans). Expenses under the 457 Plans approximated \$10,000 for the year ended June 30, 2015. There were no expenses incurred for the year ended June 30, 2016. The assets of the 457 Plans are included in investments in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet and amounted to approximately \$1,405,000 and \$1,490,000 at June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The liabilities of the 457 Plans are included in other long term liabilities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet and amounted to approximately \$1,374,000 and \$1,380,000 at June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

9] Lease Commitments

The leases for premises, which LLS's National Office and chapters occupy, expire on various dates through March 31, 2031, and provide for certain payments subject to escalation and periodic rate increases relating to real estate taxes, operating expenses, and utilities. On September 15, 2015, LLS entered into a 15 year lease for 41,868 square feet of space for its National Office beginning March 2016. The lease terms provide for one year of rent abatement. Free rent periods, tenant improvement allowances, and charges are accounted for on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease.

The approximate minimum aggregate future annual rental commitments are summarized as follows (in thousands):

Year ending June 30:	
2017	\$ 6,008
2018	5,584
2019	4,560
2020	4,071
2021	3,670
Therafter	 15,286
Total	\$ 39,179

10] Joint Costs Allocation

For the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, LLS incurred expenses to conduct activities that had both fundraising appeals as well as mission program and management and general components (joint activities). Those joint activities included direct mail, coinboards, and media campaigns. Such costs are allocated based on applicable accounting standards and were allocated as follows (in thousands):

	2016	2015
Fund raising	\$ 13,901	15,294
Patient and community service	2,076	1,152
Public health education	5,117	3,179
Total	<u>\$ 21,094</u>	19,625

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