

Dear Friends,

It is time for WomenCARE's 26th Annual STRIKE OUT AGAINST CANCER Bowling Benefit on Saturday, October 22nd! We will be adhering to current CDC guidelines and COVID-19 safety protocols for the in-person event, as well as having a more dynamic VIRTUAL option. We hope to make this year our most successful yet!

Register as a team captain (grab up to four of your favorite people to bowl with you), join an existing team, sign up as a single bowler or create a "Virtual Team" (for those who cannot attend but will collect donations). Register, download forms and collect pledges on our website: <a href="StrikeOutAgainstCancer.org">StrikeOutAgainstCancer.org</a>. You may also get everything you need by calling our office: 831-457-2273 or by email: <a href="bowling@womencaresantacruz.org">bowling@womencaresantacruz.org</a>.

Register for one of the following:

- Bowling Session 1 1:00pm to 2:15pm
- Bowling Session 2 2:30pm to 3:45pm
- Virtual Team For those unable to attend the event, sign up your "Virtual Team" and collect pledges online.

Be sure that each team member has the following (from bowling website or contact office):

- Pledge Sheet
- "Fundraising Tips" sheet

**START NOW!** Begin collecting pledges early. Aim for a minimum of \$500 per team. We encourage you to go beyond this to help us reach our goal of \$70,000. Be creative and make it fun!

Bowling shoes, a raffle ticket, and complimentary refreshments will be provided to each team player. Additional raffle tickets may be purchased at the event.

**Team members should make a copy of their pledge forms for their own records.** "Thank you" post cards are available on the website, at the bowling event, or by calling the WomenCARE office. We encourage you to send a thank you to your donors.

**HAVE FUN!** Create a team name, wear costumes if you'd like - themes make it all the more fun! Some Team Captains organize more than one team, which we encourage – make it a competition! Your team may want to play in honor of or in memory of someone, or you may want to extend the fun by planning a get-together before or following your game.

**WIN PRIZES!** The team with the highest donation total will win a fabulous prize basket. Additional prizes will be awarded for the highest score at each session, for the highest score in the overall event, and to the individual player with the highest donation total. There are even prizes for best team costumes!

If you aren't able to join us this year, please consider donating to the event. Any amount, large or small, is appreciated! We are looking forward to a fun day raising money and awareness. We appreciate your support and commitment to WomenCARE. Hope to see you on October 23rd!

Diane Grunes Janette Waters

Strike Out Against Cancer Founder and Emcee Strike Out Against Cancer Committee Chair

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