



Relay For Life

HERO OF RESEARCH AWARD

Behind every Relay For Life event are many talented, determined, and extraordinary individuals who go above and beyond to support the American Cancer Society's mission to save lives, celebrate lives, and lead the fight for a world without cancer. They lend their time, talents, and generosity to the Relay For Life movement, and we truly cannot thank them enough.

That's why we pause to recognize these outstanding individuals through the Relay For Life Hero of Research Award. This award is designed to challenge our fundraisers to engage in the fight against cancer in a new and dynamic way that focuses attention on our award-winning research program.

The Relay For Life Hero of Research Award will offer qualified teams, represented by their Team Captain, an opportunity to name an existing extramural research grant in honor of a loved one or their team. This named grant would be active for three years once identified.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- For 2017, all teams that raise more than \$165,000 (amount for a fully funded grant) will have an option to put a name on an already approved grant.
- For 2018, any team already at \$165,000 will have the opportunity to raise \$50,000 new dollars (over the previous year) and name an additional research grant for one year. For years two and three, any amount over the previous year qualifies the team to maintain that grant.
- For 2018, any new team that reaches the \$165,000 level for the first time qualifies for the option to put a name on already approved grant.
- For 2020, the program will be re-set for a full review of existing team levels and potential new opportunities with the top performing teams.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Opportunity for qualifying Team Captain to "name" an existing extramural grant.
- "Naming" will be done on an approved ACS funded post-doctoral fellowship grant.
- Opportunity to meet with the researcher virtually to learn about the specific research the extramural grant is funding.
- Award plaque to the team honoring the named grant.

