



Susan G. Komen works in hundreds of communities and 30 countries worldwide, funding breast cancer research and programs that serve low-income, uninsured and under-served women, men and families facing breast cancer.

Our U.S. Affiliates currently fund nearly 1,000 local health programs that provide vitally needed medical supplies, patient navigation services, financial assistance (including emergency living expenses, insurance co-pays and diagnostic services), in addition to patient and family support.

### **Our Funding Process**

Each Komen Affiliate conducts a thorough assessment of breast health needs in its service area, followed by a formal request for grant proposals from local providers, and an impartial review and scoring system for grant applications. Breast health needs may vary from community to community but generally include the services mentioned above.

### **Current Funding**

In our most recent fiscal year (FY2018), four Komen Affiliates funded grants totaling \$240,383 for screening and education services at Planned Parenthood clinics in communities served by those Affiliates.

These clinics provide needed breast cancer screenings, including clinical breast exams conducted by trained medical personnel, and referrals to mammography centers, usually paid for through the grant. Twice each year, Komen Affiliates conduct a thorough review of their community health grant programs to ensure that funds are being used only for breast health services.

**Under no circumstances are Komen funds used for abortions or other non-breast health services.**

Komen and its Affiliates will continue to make local granting decisions based on the needs of their communities and available funds.

For additional information on this issue and Komen's overall work in local communities, we invite you to visit our website at [www.komen.org](http://www.komen.org). Thanks again for your interest in Susan G. Komen and our efforts to end breast cancer forever.