Students Unite for HER
Breast or Ovarian Cancer Grant Criteria

Unite for HER (UFH) is pleased to offer the students and staff of your school or organization the opportunity to apply for a grant on behalf of themselves or a family member diagnosed with breast or ovarian cancer. This grant program was created to ease the emotional and financial burden experienced by families due to the high cost of care and treatment. Students and staff who have lost an immediate family member to breast or ovarian cancer within the past three years may be nominated by their school. All required supporting documents must still be provided on their behalf. The value of the grant will be determined by the funds raised (after expenses) for UFH by the school/organization.

Eligible students and staff may be nominated by their peers or staff of the school.

Eligibility Requirements:

- **Students** – A parent, guardian or sibling who has been diagnosed with breast or ovarian cancer within the last three years, recurrence, or metastatic diagnosis. Student applicants must be enrolled for the 2023/2024 school year. Eligibility requires written verification from the school office.

- **Staff** – A personal diagnosis or immediate family member (partner, guardian, spouse, or child) diagnosed with breast or ovarian cancer within the last three years. Staff applicants must be a current employee of the school. Eligibility requires proof of employment.

- Diagnosis of breast or ovarian cancer within three years, or recurrence or metastatic diagnosis, as evidenced by a note from a physician. Each family is eligible to receive this grant only once, except in the case of recurrence or metastatic diagnosis, in which case a family may apply up to three times.

All eligible applicants shall submit to the Unite for HER Selection Committee:

- **A personal essay or video** (maximum of three minutes). Applicants are asked to share their experiences about how breast or ovarian cancer has affected their life. If you are nominating a student or staff member, you can complete the essay on their behalf. The essay should convey why this person is being nominated for the grant. (Video essays may be submitted via YouTube link, or on a CD/DVD mailed to the address below.)

- **One letter of recommendation** - For students, the recommendation must be from a coach, teacher, or other non-family member. Please include contact information for the person providing the recommendation.

- **Letter from physician confirming diagnosis within past three years or indicating recurrence or metastatic diagnosis.**

All applicants who meet the eligibility and submission requirements will receive a share of their school’s available grant funding in the amount determined by the Selection Committee. The recipient will be selected and notified by phone or mail. He/she may also be announced as the grant recipient through school communications, and on the Unite for HER website.

Unite for HER cannot be held responsible for lost or damaged mail.

Please mail to:
Unite for HER
Attn: Students Unite for HER
127 East Chestnut Street
West Chester, PA 19380.
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Breast or Ovarian Cancer Grant Application

Once you have reviewed the grant criteria and determined that you or the person you are nominating qualify for the Students Unite for HER Grant, please complete this application form. Your submission must include this form and all required supporting materials.

Applicant’s Name: __________________________________________________ Age: __________
School: __________________________________________________ 2023/24 Grade: __________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________
City: __________________________ State: __________ Zip Code: __________
Phone: __________________________ Email: __________________________
SSN: __________________________

Please be sure to include the following items in your Students Unite for HER Grant submission:

1. The completed Students Unite for HER grant application form.

2. A personal essay or video (maximum of three minutes). Applicants are asked to share their experiences about how breast or ovarian cancer has affected their life. If you are nominating a student or staff member, you can complete the essay on their behalf. The essay should convey why this person is being nominated for the grant. (Video essays may be submitted via YouTube link, or on a CD/DVD mailed to the address below.)

3. Two letters of recommendation: For students, one from a teacher or coach, and one from another source (cannot be a family member). Please include contact information for the person providing the recommendation.

4. A physician’s note confirming a breast or ovarian cancer diagnosis for the applicant or their family member.

5. Written verification from the school office showing evidence of attendance or employment in the 2023/24 school year.

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ELIGIBILITY: The Students Unite for HER Grant is open only to students of schools eligible to receive a grant. To be eligible for the grant, schools must raise a minimum of $1,000 after expenses. Students of directors and board members of Unite for HER are not eligible to apply. All federal, state and local laws and regulations apply.