American Cancer Society
Relay For Life
Join us in the largest global movement to end cancer.

What is Relay For Life?
The Relay For Life program is the American Cancer Society’s signature fundraising event and, since 1985, has grown into the world’s largest movement to end cancer.

Relay is a team fundraising event where team members take turns walking around a track or designated path. Each event is 6-24 hours in length and each team is asked to have a member on the track at all times to signify that cancer never sleeps. Cancer patients don’t stop because they’re tired, and for one night, neither do we.

Each team sets up a themed campsite at the event and continues their fundraising efforts by collecting donations for food, goods, games, and activities. This money will count towards their overall team fundraising goal.

Although every Relay For Life event is different, there are certain traditions at all events, no matter where they are held.

Relay For Life events start with a Survivors Lap, an inspirational time when survivors are invited to circle the track together and help everyone celebrate the victories we’ve achieved over cancer. Caregivers who devote their time, love, and support to their loved ones are also recognized and celebrated.

As the sun sets, we honor people who have been touched by cancer and remember loved ones lost to the disease. During the Luminaria Ceremony, candles are placed in paper bags filled with sand and a candle. Each of these bags, or luminaria, bears the name of a person touched by cancer. The luminaria are placed around the track and lit, after which participants will often walk a lap in silence.

Finally, the Fight Back Ceremony is when participants make their own commitment to save lives by helping finish the fight against cancer. That personal commitment may be to do something as simple as getting a cancer screening test, quitting smoking, or talking to elected officials about making cancer a top priority. By taking action, people are personally taking steps to save lives and fight back against a disease that takes too much.

“My favorite part of Relay is the sense of community it creates on our campus, and how it brings so many people together to help fight cancer.” - Stephanie Daley, The Ohio State University

“I love that we can walk the track to Celebrate, Remember and Fight Back against this disease as a campus community!” - Kayleigh Huisuek, Lycoming College

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How Can I Get Involved?

Join the more than 4 million people who volunteer their time in support of the Society’s mission. Cancer survivors, family members, community-based organizations, and business and industry partners in more than 5200 communities in 20 countries are helping the American Cancer Society make this cancer’s last century.

It’s easy to become a part of the Relay For Life movement and help finish the fight against cancer. All you need to do is sign up to participate or volunteer at your local Relay For Life event. Here are some ways to get involved:

**Start a New Team**
Team registration is easy! Just find your local Relay For Life event. Start your own team and begin using your personal page to recruit and organize a team of friends, family members, and coworkers. There is no minimum number required to form a team and anyone can join you! You are more than welcome to participate on your own if starting a team isn’t for you. Register today at www.relayforlife.org/unlvnv

**Fundraise**
The only way for us to beat cancer is to raise as much money as we can! Participants earn a Relay t-shirt when they raise $100! How easy is that! Fill a regular sized water bottle with dimes, send out emails and social media requests to family and friends, or hold a fundraiser of your own like a bake sale!

**Volunteer**
No matter how many hours you have available, we need your help. We have lots of space on the Event Leadership Team planning and organizing the event. We also need day of volunteers to help do things like set up and tear down.

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**Relay For Life of UNLV**
Friday, April 21st 2017 6:00pm—6:00am
Myron Patridge Stadium
4372 Swenson St, Las Vegas NV
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2017 Relay Theme: Curing Cancer
Through the decades