

# Stronger together.



individuals, communities and businesses on our new donor recognition walls! See page 10.

# A Message From Our Board Chair & CEO

### Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan





With deep gratitude and pride, we welcome you to this year's annual report from the Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan.

Your generosity and steadfast belief in better cancer care resulted in more than \$5 million donated this past year alone and surpassed \$25 million donated since our inception just six years ago. These are not just numbers — each dollar represents lives touched, families supported, and hope strengthened.

A major shift in breast cancer screening guidelines in 2024 increased the urgency of our work. With the provincial government lowering the age of eligibility for routine breast screening from 50 years to 40 years, an estimated 76,000 additional women across Saskatchewan will soon be able to access this service. Screening and early detection saves lives and your support is expanding access to a whole new generation of women in our province.

While a new mobile mammography trailer will be hitting the road later this year, we are continuing our efforts to raise funds for a second mobile screening trailer to reach even more women — especially those living in rural and remote communities. Thanks to a meaningful gift from PTI Transformers, two new digital mammography machines are already operational at the permanent screening sites in Regina and Saskatoon. See pages 6 and 7 to learn more about their incredible generosity.

As we reflect on this remarkable year, we are so proud to work alongside our donors to continue meeting the growing needs of cancer patients and their families across the province.

Thank you for believing in our mission and for standing with us as we build a stronger future for cancer care in Saskatchewan.

**Leon Friesen** | Chair

Nora Yeates, CFRE | CEO

# A Message From President & CEO

### Saskatchewan Cancer Agency



It truly is amazing what can be accomplished in just 12 months, isn't it? The time goes by in the blink of an eye, and yet there is so much to be thankful for — the generosity of you, the

donors, is truly second to none.

Whether it's helping to support Saskatchewan's breast screening expansion, unveiling stunning new donor walls at our cancer centres, celebrating the renovated Wig Boutique in Saskatoon or the Patient Comfort and Care fund, donors continue to play a significant role in improving the services and support offered to patients all across Saskatchewan.

We're lucky enough to see how your gifts benefit patients every day. A simple 'thank you,' a warm smile or the cheers when someone gets to ring the bell, are all moments that we cherish deeply. And thanks to innovative research in our province, cancer is no longer as scary as it used to be. We're seeing a shift to approach cancer as a chronic condition, one which truly alters the landscape of what a diagnosis like this means for people in our province. Your donations allow us to prioritize patient care and advance initiatives that we know will improve that care both now, and into the future.

The staff and physicians at the Cancer Agency are proud of all that we've achieved together with the Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan. By working together to prioritize the areas of highest need for your donor dollars, we also know that we can make the biggest impact. On behalf of all of us, thank you.

**Deb Bulych** | President and CEO Saskatchewan Cancer Agency

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# Your Impact by the numbers

Thanks to you, \$2.76 million has been invested into cancer care for the people of Saskatchewan!

Because of your support, cancer patients felt the strength of a community that truly cares. Here are just a few of the meaningful ways your donations made a difference this year:

### **REGINA CANCER PATIENT LODGE**



**\$887,787** 

invested into construction and furnishings for Lodge renewal project

### **EARLY DETECTION AND SCREENING**



\$827,144

disbursed so far to build two custom mobile mammography trailers to replace the Breast Screening Bus and expand access to breast screening in rural and remote communities

### **CANCER RESEARCH**



\$366,787

was invested in cancer research being done right here in Saskatchewan

### **EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY**



\$319,790

invested in essential equipment to enhance cancer care. From specialized chemotherapy chairs and safety monitors to advanced tools supporting stem cell transplants, your donations are directly improving the patient experience – every day, in countless ways

### **FERTILITY PRESERVATION**



\$**75,000** 

for ovarian tissue cryopreservation research, a collaborative project with the Jim Pattison Children's Hospital Foundation, led by Dr. Laura Hopkins with the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency

### PATIENT CARE & COMFORT



\$13,841

for interpretive services for ESL, deaf, and hard of hearing patients



\$35,233

for coffee and snacks for patients undergoing treatment



\$17,097

for cable tv, internet, and newspaper subscriptions for patients to pass the time while visiting Cancer Centres and Patient Lodges



\$24,065

for yoga, wellness, and art & music therapy programs



\$37,299

in gift cards to support grocery and fuel purchases for patients in need



\$41,900

to assist transportation and parking costs



\$24,468

for Christmas Hampers to bring cheer to families with a loved one receiving treatment during the holidays

### **AGENCY ACHIEVEMENTS**



As the fundraising partner of the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency, your donations to the Foundation support the work of the Agency. Including:

New patient appointments

Total new and review cancer patient appointments

Radiation treatment sessions delivered

8,984

87,832

38,987

Chemotherapy treatments delivered at the Allan Blair and Saskatoon Cancer Centres

28,251

Patients enrolled in clinical trials

364

Stem cell transplants performed

**70** 

Number of guest nights at the Regina Cancer Patient Lodge

3,626

Number of guest nights at the Saskatoon Cancer Patient Lodge

3,670

Mammograms performed

Mammograms performed on the Breast Screening Bus





### **OUR MISSION**

We raise funds to support the cancer care needs of the people of Saskatchewan.

### **OUR VISION**

World-class cancer care and prevention for the people of Saskatchewan.

### **OUR CORE VALUES**

### Integrity

We are honest, transparent, and ethical in the pursuit of our mission.

### Collaboration

We work together, in teamwork and collaboration - we are "Stronger Together".

#### Innovation

We are creative and innovative — constantly exploring new and better ways to meet the needs of our stakeholders.

### Passion

We are dedicated to raising funds to support a better future for Saskatchewan people impacted and affected by cancer.

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### Powering Progress, Transforming Care





George Partyka Jr., President & CEO, PTI Jamie Carlson, VP Corporate Quality & Social Responsibility, PTI Janet and George Partyka

rom its modest beginnings in a small, two-door industrial bay over 30 years ago to becoming a thriving company with more than 450 employees across Regina and Winnipeg, PTI Transformers has always stayed true to its roots: community and family come first.

"PTI has been there for us as a family, so it's important we give back in ways that matter," says George Partyka, Chairman and co-founder.

One such contribution was a \$75,000 gift to the Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan's provincial 4D CT Simulator Campaign. The gift would later take on deep personal significance when George's wife, Janet, received a 4D CT simulation as part of her cancer treatment in 2021.

### **Screening Saves Lives**

We know screening saves lives, and in March 2024, the Government of Saskatchewan announced the staged expansion of screening eligibility to gradually include women aged 40–49. This change means that an estimated 76,000 additional women will gain access to breast screening – empowering an entirely new generation to take control of their health.

Together we are ensuring access to breast screening in Saskatchewan.



George Jr. and Jamie Carlson beside a newly operationalized digital mammography machine purchased thanks to PTI Transformers' \$1 million donation.

This commitment to community health continues into the next generation. George and Janet's children, George Jr. and Jamie Carlson, are now leading PTI Transformers with the same values. Recently, PTI made a transformative \$1 million donation to the Saskatchewan Breast Screening Campaign, funding two digital mammography machines for Regina and Saskatoon.

"We are honoured to be in the position to donate two new state-of-the-art mammogram machines for Saskatchewan," say George Partyka Jr., CEO of PTI Transformers. "Breast cancer affects so many women, our family included. This donation will help to significantly increase diagnostic capacity in the province and contribute to more favourable outcomes for the women in our lives that matter to us the most!"

These machines were installed at the end of April 2025 and are already impacting the services provided to women in our province. Thanks to the dedicated team in the Agency's BreastCheck screening program, an additional 25 to 30 exams are performed each week.

The improved patient flow has been noticed by staff. In Saskatoon, wait times are less than three weeks, and in Regina, wait times have decreased by three months!

PTI's remarkable gift supports the \$3.2 million Saskatchewan Breast Screening Campaign to expand screening access across Saskatchewan.

As PTI Transformers grows, so does its impact, rooted in the belief that strong communities create stronger futures. "Without local support, a smaller province like Saskatchewan may be left behind," says George Jr. PTI is making sure it never is.



Scan here to hear from George Jr. and Jamie about why PTI Transformers is investing in cancer care in our province.

# A Legacy Sewn with Love

udi Lloyd believed in living with purpose.
Together with her beloved husband of 50 years,
Allan, she built a rich life farming near Unity,
Saskatchewan, where they enjoyed community,
travel, and creativity.

Judi had an eye for details and a love for beauty in the everyday. She worked in banking in Vancouver, Edmonton, and Unity before retiring to Cut Knife, Saskatchewan. A gifted photographer, seamstress, and quilter, she was a dedicated member of the Rivers' Edge Quilters, often found stitching beside friends at the Don Ross Centre.

In 2018, a doctor's visit revealed something unusual in Judi's bloodwork. A biopsy confirmed multiple myeloma. Though treatment was complicated by severe allergies to medications, Judi faced her illness with courage.

"She was not going to let one day go by and waste it, no matter how she felt" her niece Karen recalls. And true to her word, she found a way to walk or go for a drive nearly every day.

Judi received care at the Saskatoon Cancer Centre, and in her final wishes directed a generous legacy gift of \$178,514 to support Patient Care & Comfort for others receiving treatment. In honor of Allan's mother, Judi dedicated an additional \$50,000 to breast cancer research.

Judi's presence lives on – in every quilt stitched by dear friends and now, in every patient comforted by her legacy gift.



Judi Lloyd, pictured with one of her beautiful quilts

### In Ryan's Memory: Creating a Lasting Impact

oward Crofts' commitment to advancing cancer care is rooted in a deeply personal journey – one that began with his beloved son, Ryan. At just four, he was diagnosed with lymphoma. After years of treatment, he reached remission in the spring of 1981. To celebrate, Howard took the family to Disneyland for a trip filled with magic, laughter, and hope.

Once home, doctors discovered the cancer had returned. Despite his courage and the care of his Saskatchewan Cancer Agency medical team, Ryan passed away on December 3, 1981, at seven years old. His memory remains forever woven into Howard's life.

Howard went on to build a rewarding career through professional excellence, a deep commitment to service, and leadership on numerous non-profit, corporate, and regulatory boards. He credits the support and loyalty of the Saskatchewan people for his success.

Howard and his wife Constance recognized they had the opportunity to make a meaningful legacy gift to honor Ryan's memory. Together, they chose to donate one of Howard's life insurance policies to the Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan.

While this gift can't bring Ryan back, Howard hopes it will encourage others to look at their own philanthropy in a different light – and inspire generosity to build a brighter future.



Scan here to watch Howard and Constance talk about how Ryan inspired a meaningful legacy gift.





# Donor Recognition Wall Unveilings

ince the Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan was launched in 2019, individuals, communities, and businesses in our province have generously supported our mission to enhance cancer care for the people of Saskatchewan. We are so grateful!

Now we can show our appreciation by recognizing supporters on the new donor recognition walls at the Allan Blair and Saskatoon Cancer Centres. Designed and installed by Imagination Ink of Regina, these walls recognize individual, corporate, and community event donors for annual and lifetime giving, and feature inspiring donor stories.

Thank you so much to everyone who has joined our mission to enhance cancer care right here at home.



The donor recognition wall at the Saskatoon Cancer Centre is located on the second level near the chemotherapy department.



# A Parking Spot for Shaun





hen Denise Dmitruk was diagnosed with cancer, her life shifted dramatically.

A longtime health care worker, she suddenly found herself in the patient's chair. Appointments, scans, and treatments replaced the normalcy of daily life. Even the fridge, once covered with family photos, became a wall of appointment reminders.

During her treatment from 2021 to 2023, one recurring challenge stood out: parking. Patients shared how costly, inconvenient, and stressful it was – meters expired mid-appointment, spots were far from the door, and visits were frequent.

Denise knew the Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan helped cover parking costs, but she saw a deeper issue: unlike the Saskatoon Cancer Centre, there were no designated parking spots for cancer patients at the Allan Blair Cancer Centre (ABCC) in Regina. In 2023, she launched a petition for change.

That same year, Denise was introduced to Shaun Nemeth, a fellow patient whose cancer had metastasized. Despite his illness, Shaun continued working and uplifting others with his strength and optimism. The lack of accessible parking made his tough days of cancer treatment even harder. He joined Denise's efforts, and together they successfully secured 11 dedicated parking spots at ABCC – with 5 more available when needed.

Sadly, Shaun passed away on July 27, 2024. Denise carries on their mission, and Shaun's co-workers at Capital GMC Buick Cadillac raised funds in his memory to help other patients with parking.

Thanks to community support, the Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan provided over \$17,000 last year to ease parking costs for patients in need.

**CAPITAL** 

**GMC BUICK CADILLAC** 

Shaun's co-workers at Capital GMC Buick Cadillac raised funds in his memory to help cancer patients with parking during treatment.

### Fundraisers & Events: Our Community in Action

Alida Curling Club's Curl for Cancer	Alida
Annual Ride for Breast Cancer Screening	Regina
Anytime Fitness Regina, Sweat for a Cause	Regina
Archerwill Curling Club Ladies Bonspiel	Archerwill
Arcola Buck Night	Arcola
Arcola Creative Tables, Darlene Olsen	Arcola
Artists Against Cancer, Think Pink	Regina Beach
Battleford AAA Sharks Fundraiser	North Battleford
BHP Paint Saskatchewan Pink	Leroy
Bishop James Mahoney High School, Pink Game	Saskatoon
Boston Pizza Emerald Park Kids Card Fundraiser	
Braedan Hafichuk Mow the Mop	Regina
Brayden Ottenbreit Close Cuts for Cancer	Yorkton
C95 Radio Marathon for Breast Cancer Research, Rawlco Radio	Saskatoon
Cameco Riders Touchdown for Dreams	Provincial
Campbell Collegiate McTavish's	Regina
Carnduff Ladies Golf Club Tournament Pink a Prize	Carnduff
Central Collegiate Senior Girls Volleyball Pink Game	Moose Jaw
Coach Salmond 3 on 3 Tournament for Cancer Research	Hudson Bay
ComicReaders Free Comic Book Day Fundraiser	Regina
Craik School Hot Dog Sale	Craik
Cruisin with Mom, Rogue Cruisers Fundraiser	Swift Current
Delisle Composite School Fundraiser	Delisle
Drive Away Breast Cancer Golf Tournament	Candle Lake
Dutch Growers Choc'laCure Fashion Show	Saskatoon
Eagle's Nest Youth Ranch Staff 50/50	Prince Albert
From Hair to Bare	Regina
Fuel Good Day (Sherwood Co-operative Association Limited & Co-op Refinery Complex)	Regina
GMS Queen City Marathon	Regina
Grant Langford's Birthday Fundraiser	Regina
IG Wealth Day of Caring	Regina
Indian Head Senior Girls Basketball Team, Heartbreaker Classic	Indian Head
Johnston, Markewich, Manegre Family Pancake Breakfast	Pebble Baye
Katie Bookout Birthday Fundraiser	Moose Jaw
Kelliher School Breast Cancer Awareness Fundraiser	Kelliher

#### **Pancakes with Purpose**

What began in 2011 as steak nights organized by Debbie Markewich and her loved ones has grown into a cherished annual tradition: the Pebble Baye Pancake Breakfast.

Each year, the entire village gathers to make a difference, one plate at a time. Everything is donated – food, time, and auction items – by a community with a shared commitment.

Proceeds support the Patient Care & Comfort Fund at the Saskatoon Cancer Centre. From grocery and gas cards to free wigs and head coverings, or stocking the Comfort Cart with snacks and drinks, the Fund reminds every patient: you are not alone.



Kevin & Wendy Stricker Wedding.	Silton
Ladies Golf Esterhazy	
Larry & Gwen Posehn Wedding	
Lori Burak Wreath Fundraiser	
Lydia & Tennille Corbett Book Launch Fundraiser	
Maidstone High School Pink Game	
Martensville Fire Association Fundraiser	
McClure Place Association Residents' Fundraiser	
Mechanical Contractors Association Curling Bonspiel	
Mryglod Steel Cure for Cancer Charity Golf Classic	
North Regina Fit Body Bootcamp 80km Walk/Run Challenge	
NYE Extravaganza	
Pearl Brown / Bill Humeny Memorial Trek for Cancer	,
Pink & Chocolate Night	
Preston Park I Retirement Residence	
Queen City Pickleball Hub Time Out Groups Fundraiser	
Regina Beach Golf Fore a Cure	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Regina Lemonade Stands	•
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Regina Motorcycle Association Inc, Storm the Decks	
Regina Pats & 22Fresh Cancer Awareness Game	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Robyn's Army & Norquay Northstars	
Royal Canadian Legion Branch #6 Fundraisers	
Royal Regina Golf Fore Cancer	
Sask Cancer Agency HL Staff Fundraisers	•
Saskatoon Co-op Kicking Cancer	
SaskEnergy Staff Prostate Fundraiser	
Sharing Kailynn's Sunshine Foundation.	
SIIT Get Outside Challenge	
Silverwood Heights School March Madness Fundraiser	
Southern Prairie Railway Train Robbery Fundraiser	
St. Brieux Regional Park Authority Golf Tournament	
St. Joseph's Golf Classic, Fr. Zimmerman KofC & St. Joseph's CWL	
St. Volodymyr Villa Fundraiser	
STEM for Transplant & Cellular Therapy Program	
Sunrise Wellness Spa Ladies Night Out	
Swingers Classic Annual Golf Tournament	
Taylor Portfolio Management at ScotiaMcLeod Fundraiser	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
The Red Pickleball Tournament	
Thom Collegiate Beat Cancer Week	_
Thrive Dance SK	
Tina Stene Pampered Chef Proceeds	
TLC & Friends	
Trees for Life	
Triple S Transport Tina Stene Breast Cancer Awareness Golf Day	
U of S Huskies Hockey Fights Cancer for Cody Smuk	
U13 AA Regina Royals & Tigers Hockey Fights Cancer Game	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
U13 B Comet Surge Hockey Team	
U13 Comet Thunder Fundraiser	
U15 AA Female Rebels Black & White Hockey Fights Cancer Game	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Unicorn Power, Unite to Fight Cancer	
Venvi The Bentley Paint the Afternoon Pink	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Wadena Composite School	
Walter Murray Collegiate Pinktober Fundraiser	
Walter W Brown School	
Warman AAA Wildcats Breast Cancer Research Fundraiser	Warman

### No One Fights Alone in Norquay

obyn Holodniuk, a beloved Grade 6 teacher and hockey coach in Norquay, Saskatchewan, has poured her heart into her community for years. When she needed it most, that same community poured their hearts into her.

When persistent bloating signaled that something wasn't right, an ultrasound revealed devastating news: Cancer. "It's one of those things that hits you like a train," Robyn recalls.

With four young children and so much to live for,
Robyn knew she had to fight. After a hysterectomy
confirmed Stage 4 ovarian cancer, she began
chemotherapy at the Allan Blair Cancer Centre (ABCC)
– and thankfully, her body responded well.

Robyn drew strength from those around her. For six weeks after surgery, neighbours brought hot meals to her family every night. "When I was struggling, I only had to think of everyone rallying behind me," she says.

As a mentor to dozens of children on the ice and in the classroom, Robyn has given much to Norquay. In return, the Northstars hockey teams and students from school stepped up for her. They collected pledges, shaved their heads in solidarity, and raised an impressive \$22,000.

Thanks to this generosity, the Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan purchased four new Vital Signs Monitors which ensures safe, responsive care for all patients at the ABCC.



# From Patient to Clinical Trial Partner

t 74, Allen Davey of Wilkie, Saskatchewan, walks two miles a day, works on the family farm with his sons and grandsons, and recently upgraded his golf clubs.

But in 2014 a routine blood pressure check that was dangerously high revealed a life-changing diagnosis: renal cell carcinoma, or kidney cancer. Surgery followed but two years later, the cancer spread to his lungs. Allen was told he had Stage 4 cancer and 2.5 years to live. Treatment options were limited – but hope was not.



Allen, Laura and Kelly Davey

"It sent us into a tailspin," recalls his wife Laura, "but he received exceptional care at the Saskatoon Cancer Centre."

During his chemotherapy treatments, their daughter Kelly ran a marathon in Victoria, raising over \$37,000 in his honor. She went on to complete all six Abbott World Marathon Majors. "We couldn't make it to Tokyo for this big achievement," says Allen, "but we're so proud of her."

Inspired by her dedication, Allen and Laura began donating to the Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan, choosing to support clinical trials that advance cancer care for patients right here at home.

"We believe in giving back, especially locally," Laura says. "Because cancer touches every one of us."

Their message is simple: clinical trials bring real hope. And hope, Allen believes, is worth fighting - and giving - for.



Allen and daughter, Kelly

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### Financial Highlights

### Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan

### **Summarized Statement of Financial Position**

As at March 31, 2025

	2025	2024
ASSETS	\$	\$
Cash	5,624,097	3,957,443
Accounts receivable	7,258	102,994
Prepaid expenses	1,115	8,853
Marketable securities	652,629	547,182
	6,285,099	4,616,472
Investments	4,659,304	4,380,112
Capital assets	84,902	11,770
	11,029,305	9,008,354
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	557,424	417,889
	557,424	417,889
NET ASSETS		
Fund balances	10,471,881	8,590,465
	11,029,305	9,008,354

### **Summarized Statement of Operations**

For the year ending March 31, 2025

	2025	2024
REVENUE	\$	\$
Restricted donations	4,802,778	3,255,223
Unrestricted donations	420,395	1,564,292
Other income	562,311	372,846
	5,785,484	5,192,361
EXPENSES		
Salaries and benefits	829,736	660,969
Fundraising, administration and marketing	315,060	233,218
	1,144,796	894,187
Excess of revenue over expenses before grants	4,640,688	4,298,174
Grants to the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency	(1,847,128)	(2,556,574)
Grants to Other Qualified Donees	(912,144)	-
Excess of revenue over expenses	1,881,416	1,741,600

The Foundation's financial statements have been audited by Virtus Group LLP.

The audited financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2025 are available at **cancerfoundationsask.ca** 

## Campaign Updates

# HealthHubs: Bringing Comfort and Connection to Cancer Patients

hemotherapy treatments can take a toll, often lasting several hours and leaving the patient feeling isolated. To help make this a little easier, 29 HealthHubs have been installed at the Allan Blair Cancer Centre in Regina.



These easy-to-use touch-screen devices are mounted on flexible arms, so patients can position them for comfort. Whether it's watching Netflix, listening to music, connecting with loved ones by video call, browsing social media, or learning more about their care – HealthHubs offer comfort, connection, and choice, all at no cost.

Most importantly, they give patients something often overlooked in a clinical setting: a sense of control, normalcy, and the ability to stay engaged during treatment.

For cancer care teams, HealthHubs provide instant access to each patient's treatment plan right at the chair-side, allowing the care team to



make timely decisions and helping ensure each person receives the best care possible – right when they need it.

### Vital Signs Monitors: Improving Safety and Efficiency at Every Step

o one enjoys being poked and prodded – but for cancer patients, close monitoring is essential. Thanks to your support, cancer care teams have a new tool to keep a close eye on their patients without having to disrupt them.

Twenty-seven new Vital Signs Monitors are now in place at the Allan Blair and Saskatoon Cancer Centres, and 17 additional monitors will be included in the Saskatoon Cancer Centre's chemotherapy area renovations. These devices are doing more than tracking patients' blood pressure, oxygen levels, temperature, and heart activity during chemotherapy - they are providing peace of mind.

Working quietly in the background, the monitors sync vital data directly to each patient's electronic health record in real time. This means fewer interruptions, no repeated checks, and more consistent, attentive care that adapts as the patient's needs change.

Cancer care teams are notified of even the smallest changes in a patient's condition, allowing them to respond immediately to ensure cancer patients receive fast, efficient care.





Dr. Andrew Freywald (left) and Dr. Franco Vizeacoumar (right) are leaders of a research team that has identified a potential target for eliminating breast cancer cells. (Photo: Matt Olson)

### **Breast Cancer Research Breakthrough**

esearchers right here in Saskatchewan are making breakthroughs that are putting us on the global map of cancer innovation.

With the help of donors like you, the Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan helped fund a groundbreaking discovery led by Dr. Franco Vizeacoumar at the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency. Your donations provided \$200,000 over two years to explore what drives cancer cell growth and how to stop breast cancer in its tracks. They used advanced gene-editing tools to find a specific genetic interaction that cancer cells depend on to grow, but healthy cells do not. These findings could lead us towards new drug targets.

This discovery is still in early stages, but it brings real hope.

"They used advanced gene-editing tools to find a specific genetic interaction that cancer cells depend on to grow, but healthy cells do not."





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