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GRANT FUNDING AVAILABLE
from the Susan G. Komen for the Cure-Quad Cities Affiliate

November 28th, 2011-DAVENPORT, IA--Grant requests are now being accepted by the Quad Cities Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure for programs supporting unique breast cancer education, outreach, or screening and treatment for the medically underserved. Research projects will not be considered.

In order to ensure that funds make the greatest impact, the Affiliate works with local medical experts and community leaders to conduct comprehensive community needs assessments. The community profile is used to establish the local grant application and review processes consistent with Komen's vision and standards.

The Komen Quad Cities Affiliate awards grants once a year. Grant applications must cover programs in the Komen Quad Cities Affiliate service area, including Scott, Muscatine, Cedar and Clinton counties in Iowa, and Rock Island, Henry, Mercer and Whiteside counties in Illinois. In support of our promise: To save lives and end breast cancer forever by empowering people, ensuring quality care for all and energizing science to find the cures, the Affiliate will focus its resources on the following types of projects within our service area: those that increase the availability of breast health information; those that increase the availability of financial assistance information, and those that increase the accessibility of affordable breast health care.

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Individuals or organizations interested in applying for grants should contact Amy Westfall, grants chairperson of the Quad Cities Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure, at 563-570-0187, or download the grant application from the Affiliate website <http://www.komenquadcities.org>. For media inquiries regarding the grants program, please contact Christina McNamara-Schmidt at 563-370-8925.

Grant applications are due on January 9th, 2012. Notification of awards is scheduled for March 19th, 2012. And, the award period is April 1, 2012-March 31st, 2013.

Funds for the grants program are primarily generated from the annual Komen Quad Cities Race for the Cure®, a 5K race held each June at the John Deere Commons, Moline. Since its inception in 1990, the Komen Quad Cities Race has raised more than \$4.9 million and provided more than 12,400 mammogram vouchers to the underinsured and underserved women of our eight-county service area.

Up to seventy-five percent of the net proceeds from the Komen Quad Cities Race for the Cure® remain in the greater Quad Cities, with twenty-five percent funding the Komen National Grants Program.

The Komen Story

Nancy G. Brinker promised her dying sister, Susan G. Komen, she would do everything in her power to end breast cancer forever. In 1982, that promise became Susan G. Komen for the Cure and launched the global breast cancer movement. Today, Komen for the Cure is the world's largest grassroots network of breast cancer survivors and activists fighting to save lives, empower people, ensure quality care for all and energize science to find the cures. Thanks to events like the Komen Race for the Cure, we have invested nearly \$1 billion to fulfill our promise, becoming the largest source of nonprofit funds dedicated to the fight against breast cancer in the world. For more information about Susan G. Komen for the Cure, breast health or breast cancer, visit www.komen.org or call 1-800 I'M AWARE.