

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute - FY2006

Summary Narratives

Community Benefits Mission Statement

In 1995, the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute Board of Trustees formally adopted a Community Benefits Mission Statement. This mission statement affirms the Institute's commitment to support community-based programs, participate in outreach activities aimed at the reduction of cancer incidence, morbidity and mortality, and conduct community-based research.

Program Organization and Management

The DFCI Board of Trustees has charged its Community Programs Committee with oversight of the community benefits plan. While spearheaded by the VP for External Affairs, community outreach is increasingly integrated into the work of numerous departments across the organization. An internal committee comprised of clinical and administrative staff helps to coordinate these activities. An External Advisory Committee brings in the community perspective.

Key Collaborations and Partnerships

American Cancer Society

Boston Mayor's Task Force to Eliminate Health Disparities

Boston Public Health Commission

Center for Community-Based Research (CCBR)

Community Health Centers throughout the City of Boston

Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center (DF/HCC)

Harvard University Center for AIDS Research (HU-CFAR)

Kit Clark Senior Services

Massachusetts Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition

Massachusetts Department of Public Health

National Black Leadership Initiative on Cancer (NBLIC)

Prostate Health Education Network (PHEN)

Susan G. Komen

United Way/Jimmy Fund Collaboration

YMCA Encore Plus Program

Community Health Needs Assessment

Community Health needs assessment is an ongoing process utilizing both quantitative and qualitative data. DFCI partners with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the Boston Public Health Commission, American Cancer Society and others to analyze cancer incidence and mortality data. DFCI serves on numerous local and

statewide committees and task forces to design programs to reduce cancer risk. DFCI also works with its local community and conducts focus groups and surveys with the goal to improve health status.

Community Benefits Plan

DFCI's community benefits plan is focused on designing community-based programs to reduce cancer incidence, morbidity and mortality, to conduct community-based research and to eliminate disparities in cancer treatment and outcomes. The plan also includes a commitment to support workforce development, partnerships with Boston public schools and support for community-based agencies in Fenway and Mission Hill.

Key Accomplishments of Reporting Year

DFCI strengthened and expanded existing outreach programs including the mobile mammography screening service; the resource van that provides prostate cancer education and screening, skin cancer screening, nutrition, and tobacco cessation programs; and the Breast and Cervical Screening Collaborative in partnership with 11 community health centers.

Significant numbers of new grants were awarded to the Center for Community-Based Research. These studies focus on community-based participatory research in colorectal cancer, tobacco control, breast and prostate cancer screening, among others.

DFCI leadership has launched a disparities initiative that includes a new patient navigation program, compliance with data collection regulations, and new workforce development and diversity efforts.

Plans for Next Reporting Year

Next year's efforts will continue to focus on strengthening existing outreach programs in cancer control and developing new initiatives to reduce disparities. DFCI is designing evaluations of selected programs to assess their effectiveness.

Plans are also underway to develop new cancer control programs in collaboration with the Whittier Street Health Center.

Plans for next year also include launching a comprehensive effort focusing on workforce development, diversity of DFCI's workforce, and cultural competency training for providers.

Select Community Benefits Programs

Boston's Mammography Van

Brief Description or Objective	Objective: To provide breast cancer screening and education services for underserved and uninsured women, throughout the City of Boston, regardless of ability to pay
Program Type	Health Screening, Outreach to Underserved, Prevention
Target Population	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regions Served: Boston-Greater• Health Indicator: Other: Cancer - Breast• Sex: Female• Age Group: Adult, Adult-Elder• Ethnic Group: Not Specified• Language: Not Specified
Partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multiple Community Partners not listed
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Detailed Description Not Specified

DFCI Center for Community-Based Research

Brief Description or Objective Conducts research aimed at cancer prevention and control, with particular emphasis on the development and evaluation of effective interventions designed to modify behaviors, policies and practices to reduce cancer risk. This research program has a special focus on reducing racial/ethnic and socioeconomic disparities in cancer risk.

Program Type Community Education, Community Participation/Capacity Building Initiative, Mentorship/Career Training/Internship, Prevention, Research

Target Population

- **Regions Served:**Not Specified
- **Health Indicator:**Other: Cancer, Other: Nutrition, Physical Activity, Tobacco Use
- **Sex:**All
- **Age Group:**All Adults
- **Ethnic Group:**Not Specified
- **Language:**Not Specified

Partners • Multiple Community Partners (not listed)

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Detailed Description Not Specified

Blum Family Resource Van

Brief Description or Objective Blum Resource Van - mobile van provides cancer education, outreach, and screening in the community. Services include: prostate cancer education and screening, skin cancer screening, HPV education, tobacco control and other educational programs.

Program Type Community Education, Health Screening, Outreach to Underserved, Prevention

Target Population

- **Regions Served:**Boston, Boston-Greater
- **Health Indicator:**Access to Health Care, Other: Cancer, Other: Nutrition, Physical Activity, Tobacco Use
- **Sex:**All
- **Age Group:**Not Specified
- **Ethnic Group:**Not Specified
- **Language:**Not Specified

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Detailed Description Not Specified

Prostate Education and Screening Program

Brief Description or Objective Education and screening program with focus on medically underserved men. In partnership with PHEN, includes monthly support group for men of color.

Program Type Community Education, Health Screening, Outreach to Underserved, Prevention, Support Group

Target Population

- **Regions Served:**Boston-Greater
- **Health Indicator:**Other: Cancer - Prostate
- **Sex:**Male
- **Age Group:**Adult
- **Ethnic Group:**Black/African American
- **Language:**Not Specified

Partners

- Prostate Health Education Network (PHEN)(<http://www.prostatehealthed.org/>)
- Boston Public Health Commission(<http://www.bphc.org>)
- National Black Leadership Initiative on Cancer, Greater Boston Chapter

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Detailed Description Not Specified

Educational Partnerships

Brief Description or Objective DFCI maintains educational partnerships with Boston area high schools and colleges to encourage underrepresented students of color to explore and pursue careers in health and science.

Program Type Mentorship/Career Training/Internship

Target Population

- **Regions Served:**Boston
- **Health Indicator:**Other: Education/Learning Issues
- **Sex:**All
- **Age Group:**Child-Teen
- **Ethnic Group:**All
- **Language:**Not Specified

Partners

- Multiple Community Partners, not listed

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Detailed Description Not Specified

Program Type	Estimated Total Expenditures for FY2006	Approved Program Budget for 2007
Community Benefits Programs	<u>Direct Expenses</u> \$1,205,443 <u>Associated Expenses</u> \$0 <u>Determination of Need Expenditures</u> \$0 <u>Employee Volunteerism</u> \$0 <u>Other Leveraged Resources</u> \$4,478,970	Not Specified * Excluding expenditures that cannot be projected at the time of the report.
Community Service Programs	<u>Direct Expenses</u> \$130,635 <u>Associated Expenses</u> \$0 <u>Determination of Need Expenditures</u> \$0 <u>Employee Volunteerism</u> \$0 <u>Other Leveraged Resources</u> \$0	
Net Charity Care	\$7,113,065	
Corporate Sponsorships	\$169,850	
	Total Expenditures \$13,097,963	
Total Patient Care-Related Expenses for FY2006		\$189,047,058
Comments: None		