



6401 Truxtun Ave. #280
Bakersfield, Ca 93309

Kern County Cancer Fund’s Campout Against Cancer is a non-profit organization created solely for the purpose of providing assistance to Kern County cancer patients in need. In order to ensure all funds possible raised by the event go directly to cancer patients, we respectfully request all participants sign a waiver releasing the Kern County Cancer Fund of liability for any injury which might occur at the event. The Steering Committee will make every attempt to provide a safe environment but there is no way to foresee every possible scenario. If you see a potentially dangerous situation, please contact a member of the Steering Committee immediately so it can be addressed. Together we can make the Campout Against Cancer a safe and fun experience for all.

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

The undersigned agrees to release the Kern County Cancer Fund and Campout Against Cancer of any obligation, responsibility, or financial liability for any injury that might result from my participation in **Campout Against Cancer**. This release extends to Directors, employees, agents, contractors, volunteers, or other event personnel whether volunteers or paid staff (collectively, the “Releasees”) from any and all liability, claims, demands, damages, causes of action, losses, or expenses (including attorneys’ fees and expenses) to Participant, on account of physical, mental, or emotional injury, or death of the person of Participant or to the property of Participant, *whether such injury or death be caused by the negligence, gross negligence of the Releasees or otherwise, suffered either during the event or while traveling to or from the event.*

My signature below signifies I acknowledge I am solely responsible for my own safety and that the foregoing release and waiver is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the State of California, and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect. Participant has read and voluntarily signs this Release and Waiver of Liability, and further agrees that no oral representations, statement or inducement apart from the foregoing have been made, and that this Release and Waiver of Liability may only be modified by a written document signed by Participant and a duly authorized representative

Team Name _____

Participant Name (print) _____

Address _____

Contact in case of emergency _____ Phone _____

Signature _____ Date _____

CAMP OUT

Against Cancer

Local Support for Local Needs

Team Member Name

Team Name

Address

Team Captain

Home Phone

Work Phone

Member Shirt Size: S M L XL 2XL

Email address

Please make checks payable to *Kern County Cancer Fund*
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** Turn in your envelope to your Team Captain

Donor Name, Address, and Email	Cash Enclosed	Amount of Enclosed Check	Credit Card Amount	On Line Donation
Subtotal \$				
Grand Total \$				

Incentive Prize Level \$100 _____ \$500 _____ \$1000 _____ \$2500 _____ \$5000 _____



Helpful Hints on Raising Money:

- Lanterns of Hope are available at \$25 each to honor a cancer survivor or in memory of a loved one. Purchasers have the option of decorating the Lanterns themselves or it will be done by a member of the Steering Committee. (Please make sure to complete a “Lantern Of Hope” form)
- At work arrange with your boss to initiate “Casual Friday”; employees can dress down (i.e.: wear jeans) in exchange for putting \$5.00 into the Jar for Campout Against Cancer.
- Remember that many companies match your gifts to a nonprofit. Check with your company to see if this is an option.
- At work you have people you deal with on a daily basis; we all like to help each other, so ask them for donations. (UPS man, coffee service, dry cleaners, vending machine service, stationary company, etc.)
- Send a letter to family and friends (Christmas card list is great place to start) and explain what Campout Against Cancer is doing in Kern County. Sample letters are provided below that you can use or create your own. It is always great fun to go to the mail box and see who is supporting you. Remember this is a Fun Event supporting a worthy cause!
- If you have 10 or more people in your office, if you just ask each one for \$10.00 you will have raised your \$100.00 fast. Remind them this is less than a penny a day to help someone in need.
- Speaking of a penny a day, ask all the people you see each day for the change in their pocket or purse; you will be amazed at how much that will add up. Put it in a jar and keep a running total, so everyone wants to help.
- If you are in a big office complex have a bake sale, or breakfast Fridays, or hold a craft fair. You can get very creative.
- Do you like to sing? Set up a karaoke somewhere in front of a store, and sing for collections.

- Do car washes...lunches to be delivered... collect all your cans and redeem them for cash. Think about what do you like to do, I am sure you can find a fun way to earn money.
- Flamingo dropping is a fun one. It has happened to me more than once. Get flamingo's and put them in a neighbor's front yard asking for a donation to remove them. Also, ask the neighbor who they want the droppings to go to next; it's a kick, (don't let them see you do this!!!!) You can do this with anything... a toilet, a flag that is talks about our event. Something that you do not want in your front lawn for long!
- Sample letters:

Dear _____

It's time for Kern County's Campout Against Cancer event on April 4 and 5th. I am on a team and we are planning to raise \$4,000.00. I am doing this in honor of _____ who has survived now for ____ months/years. If you would like to help cancer patients in Kern County you can make a donation. Also, we are putting lanterns around our campsite to show our support to the people who are surviving and in memory of those who did not. You may purchase a Lantern of Hope for \$25.00 and your loved one's name will be place on that lantern. At the end of the event you may take it home, or I will bring it to you.

Thank you so much for helping underwrite the Kern County Cancer Fund, a program assisting Kern County residents who need financial assistance obtaining, screening, diagnosis, and treatment for cancer and associated diseases.

Dear _____

On April 4 and 5th I will be joining hundreds of friends and supporters of the Kern County Campout Against Cancer event. It is a day of fun and games, and you are invited to come out and celebrate with us. Our Goal is to raise dollars to help underwrite the Kern County Cancer Fund; a program dedicated to assisting Kern County residents who need financial assistance in obtaining screening, diagnosis and treatment for cancer and associated diseases. We are truly blessed to have this in our community - we have already helped more than 84 patients in the last year! To continue helping our community we need your financial support. In addition to asking for donations, we are selling Lanterns of Hope in memory of and in honor of cancer patients; these lanterns will be lit around our campsite. You can purchase one of these lanterns for \$25.00 and we will put your loved one's name on it. If you would like, you can take them home at the end of the event and put them in your garden. Please make checks payable to "Kern County Cancer Fund". Thank you in advance for your support.

Remember to send letters and emails to everyone who has ever sent you anything. In your letters explain where the money goes; the date and time of the event in case they want to come out to support you; and provide your information (phone number, address, and deadline when you need the check).



Lantern of Hope

Purchase a "Lantern of Hope" in Honor or Memory of a loved one or friend who has been touched by cancer.

Name _____

In Honor of _____ **or**

In Memory of _____

_____ Would you like to create your own lantern? You can pick up your Lantern of Hope at the designated tent the day of the event.

Or

_____ Would you like us to create it for you and place it in the Garden of Hope at the event?

The cost of this special celebration of hope is \$25.00 per lantern which you will have the opportunity to take home after the event and place in your own garden.

For more information please call 661-616-6430 or visit

www.cacteam.org

*******Please complete one form per Lantern and mail to**

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KCCF KERN COUNTY CANCER FUND

Local Support for Local Needs

Facts at a Glance*

KCCF has been reviewing applicants since October 2012, even though the formal process didn't start until January 2013.

- KCCF assists Kern County cancer patients and those with associated blood diseases.
- Qualified applicants demonstrate a significant change in their financial situation due to medical treatment. Applicants are reviewed twice a month by the Patient Eligibility Committee. If accepted, a patient can receive financial assistance subject to a lifetime maximum and continued eligibility.
- The program assists with medical costs associated with their cancer care, i.e. Prescriptions, Insurance Premiums, Cobra, Share of Cost, Out of Pocket expenses, deductibles, co-pays and co-insurance.
- A volunteer committee called our Patient Eligibility Committee is made up of volunteer social workers, nurses, and other medical professionals from Kern County. They review applications and determine the need based on financial circumstances. Prior to distributing funds from KCCF, the committee refers patients to existing co-pay programs, government programs and other forms of financial assistance that may be available.
- Approved applicants may receive assistance for up to 6 months. If further assistance is needed, financial documents are reviewed once again.
- The Program Policy Committee consists of board members who review policies quarterly and determine what type of funding and application is accepted.
- To date, 84 patients have been approved and over \$500,000 has been committed to local patients through April 2014.
- KCCF has an open book policy; financials and statistics are updated monthly.



* Updated October 24, 2013