




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2019 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

 Kathryn, blood stem cell transplant recipient

LIFE-SAVING DONATION CHANGES KATHRYN'S WORLD

SELFLESS GIFTS FROM DONORS TRANSFORM PATIENTS' LIVES

*Photos (front cover and above)
by Liam Bruce Photography*

Kathryn began having chronic health problems at age 15 and was in and out of the hospital for 2½ years. In 2016, she finally received a diagnosis of hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis (HLH), a life-threatening autoimmune disease.

“Receiving a diagnosis was bittersweet,” says Kathryn. “It was a relief to finally have a diagnosis after so many years of not knowing, but my disease was rare and more severe than a typical case. I knew my treatment options were going to be more extreme than I had expected them to be and perhaps even completely change my life.”

Kathryn completed treatment but relapsed in December 2017. Doctors told her she would need a blood stem cell transplant—the only known cure for HLH.

Not having a fully matched donor in her family, Kathryn turned to Be The Match®. Luckily, a matching donor was found.

“I was walking to one of my classes when I got the news,” says Kathryn. “It was in the middle of my spring semester of college sophomore year, and I remember thinking that whoever my donor was, they had just changed my whole life.”

Most patients remain in the hospital for about 100 days following their transplant. Kathryn surprised everyone when she was released just 14 days after receiving her new cells. She has dealt with minor graft-versus-host disease, but overall it has been a smooth recovery.

Today, Kathryn has returned to college and is working on finishing her creative writing major.

Kathryn says, “I think that people have a natural inclination to want to better the world in a big way, but most people don’t realize the big way they’ve been looking for can come in the form of a simple swab kit. Becoming a donor is a small way to have big impact on someone’s life. **For whoever you’re saving, you’re saving their entire world.**”

CELEBRATING
100,000
TRANSPLANTS
 THE NEXT 100,000 STARTS NOW

—By Steven Devine, MD

We live in a world of numerical benchmarks. At Be The Match®, numbers transcend the simple quantity they represent and instead take on a much more human and personal significance, representing the accumulated differences between the risk of death and the hope of life.

In 2019, Be The Match accomplished a feat that no one could even imagine when we began more than 30 years ago—100,000 blood stem cell transplants performed. This milestone is even more awe-inspiring when you consider only 50,000 transplants were facilitated during our first 25 years. It took just over seven years to double that number.

This is more than just a number, more than just an extraordinary achievement, each one of those 100,000 transplants represents individuals and families with personal stories. Stories of life and death, of devastating sadness and overwhelming joy, and powerful reminders of the critical nature of the work the entire transplant community is called to do.

Stories told by people like Donna, who was diagnosed with a life-threatening blood disease called myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS), after experiencing symptoms of fatigue. For Donna and her loved ones, all that mattered was finding a cure. Her best

option for that was a blood stem cell transplant. Fortunately, a match was found for Donna, and she became our 100,000th patient to be given a chance at life. Her story is a testament to the work we do at Be The Match and a reminder of why we need to exist.

As a physician, I do more than simply read about these powerful personal stories, I experience them firsthand through patients I have treated. I understand all too well that life or death for a patient I am treating can come down to finding that one donor who gives them a chance to embrace life and the love of their family.

As we celebrate this impressive benchmark, we honor the individuals and families who make up those 100,000 blood stem cell transplants and the doctors, nurses, medical professionals and caregivers who are such an important part of this process. We also celebrate the visionaries who came before us who, when told a national registry would fail, never gave up hope. Their vision became a reality, and we can now say that 100,000 volunteer donors have stepped up to help a stranger and millions more have joined the Be The Match Registry®.

On behalf of Donna and the other 99,999 patients who have received their transplants and for the next 100,000 whose survival depends on cellular therapy, thank you for your support.

We will continue to urgently work to meet patient needs and strive to facilitate equal outcomes in the hopes of delivering precious tomorrows for all.

Steven Devine, MD, is Chief Medical Officer for the National Marrow Donor Program® (NMDP)/Be The Match®

MORE CHANCES. **MORE TOMORROWS.**

Dear friends,

At Be The Match®, our obligation to patients drives us forward every day as we work to save lives through cellular therapy and provide equal outcomes for all.

We have to urgently focus on meeting the needs of our patients because **every three minutes someone is diagnosed with a life-threatening blood cancer**—for which a blood stem cell transplant from an unrelated donor may be the best, or only, hope for a cure.

To facilitate those cures, Be The Match registers potential donors and coordinates the collection of blood stem cells for transplants to these patients. The Be The Match Registry is the world’s largest registry. Every search through our registry provides patients with access to more than 35 million potential donors and nearly 783,000 umbilical cord blood units worldwide. In essence, **the registry holds within it the hope of the promise of more tomorrows for patients who so desperately need life-saving treatments.**

Please join us in learning more about our patients, donors, contributors and partners—we’re excited to share these stories with you on the pages of this annual report. It is an inspiring snapshot of the impact our work had in 2019 as we focus on the goals ahead of us to support research (and data collection) in cellular therapy to improve patient outcomes and increase survival.

Without the steadfast commitment of partners, contributors and donors like you, this work is not possible. Our resolve to deliver life-saving and life-changing cellular therapy has never been stronger—**thank you for joining us in delivering more hope and life to our patients.**



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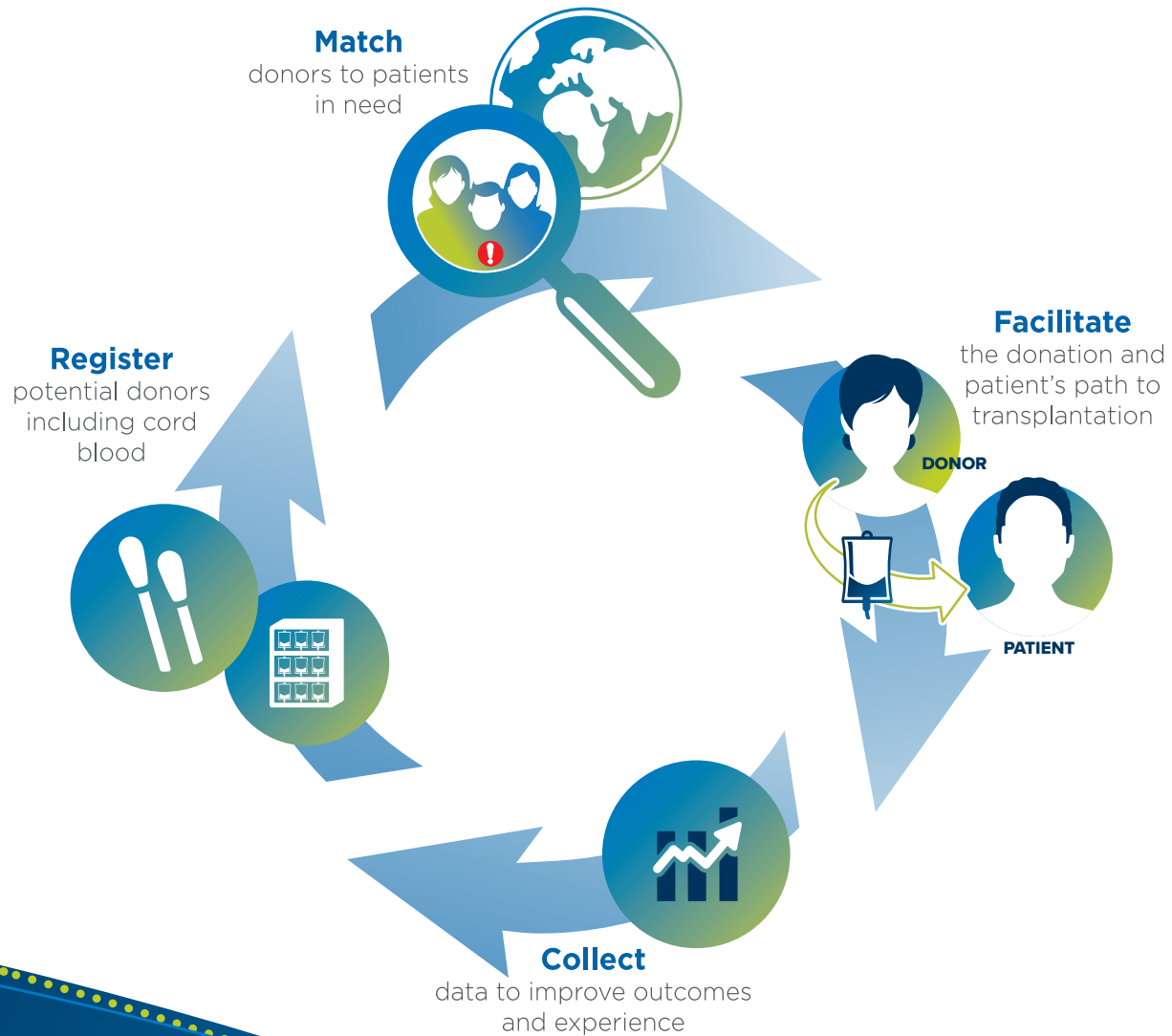
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OUR MISSION

WE WERE CREATED TO EXPAND ACCESS TO UNRELATED BLOOD STEM CELL TRANSPLANTS

More than 30 years after our founding, our mission remains the same: **To save lives through cellular therapy.** At our core, we're called to provide access to unrelated transplants, regardless of ethnicity, gender or economic status.

We facilitate the best donor for each patient that we serve in order to provide the best possible outcomes.



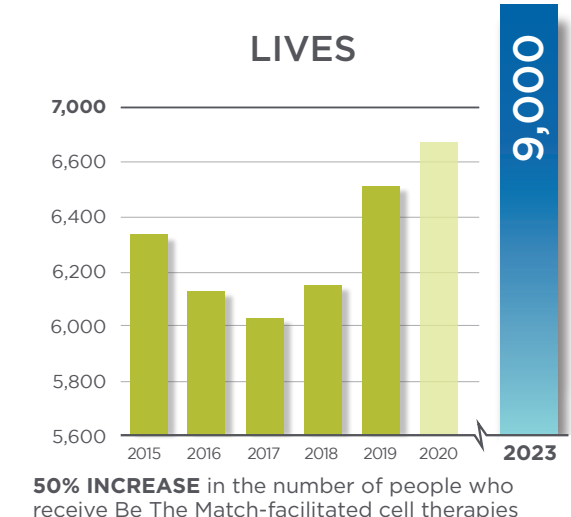
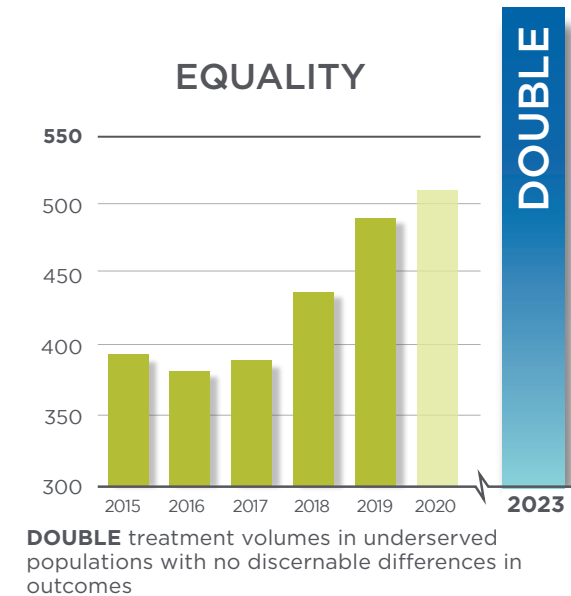
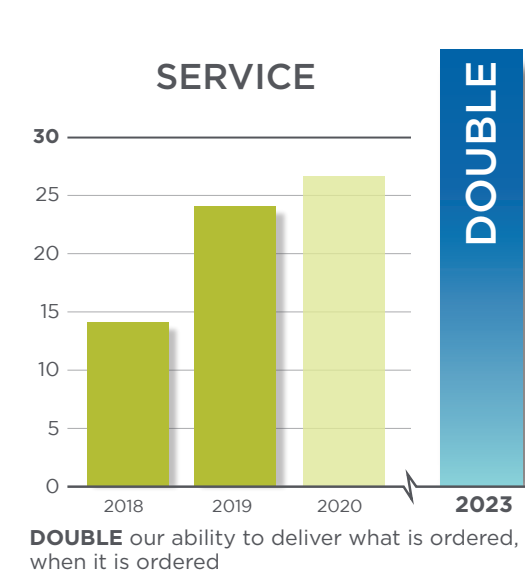
OUR PERFORMANCE

OUR EFFORTS TO DEMOCRATIZE CELL THERAPY ARE WORKING

2019 proved to be the best year in our history, impacting 6,553 lives through transplants and Be The Match BioTherapies® services, including a 21% increase of providing 487 matched transplants to ethnically diverse patients.

Our strategic vision centers us on delivering the democratization of cell therapy to ensure anyone who needs a life-saving cell-based transplant gets one.

Our work is never done, and we relentlessly measure our performance against this vision.



MOTHER'S INTUITION LEADS TO HEARTACHE AND HOPE



JJ with mom, Danielle, and dad, Anthony

JJ's mother, Danielle, was diagnosed with neutropenia (a disease marked by an unusually low count of neutrophils, a type of white blood cell) at 18 months old. Thankfully, as a teenager, she received a life-saving blood stem cell transplant from her younger sister.

Years later, Danielle and her husband, Anthony, were excited to start a family, but Danielle was afraid the condition could be passed along to their child. Despite doctors' reassurances the disease wasn't hereditary, Danielle's worst fears were confirmed soon after JJ was born—he also had neutropenia.

By the time he was 6 months old, JJ was at risk for leukemia due to the high doses of medication he needed. Doctors urged that it was time to consider a transplant. Experts at the University of California, San Francisco, began searching the Be The Match Registry for a match for JJ.

As JJ battled high fevers and infections that led to multiple hospitalizations,

the family remained hopeful and even hosted a fundraiser to encourage people to join the registry on behalf of JJ. Days after the fundraiser, good news arrived from the search front—JJ had multiple matches! The donor selected was a young man from overseas, and JJ's arduous transplant journey began quickly.

Every day brought Danielle another dose of hope mixed with heartache as she watched JJ endure chemotherapy. A transplant procedure followed chemo, and then JJ experienced a relatively quick recovery and hospital discharge after seven weeks.

"Not being able to hold your baby the way you want—it was pretty brutal," Danielle says. On top of that, Danielle was self-employed and not making any money when she took time off to be with JJ. A grant from Be The Match helped cover some of the extra expenses like gas to get to and from the hospital, parking and meals. "Those were the things I was worried about—the little expenses people don't even consider," she says. "That's where Be The Match really helped."

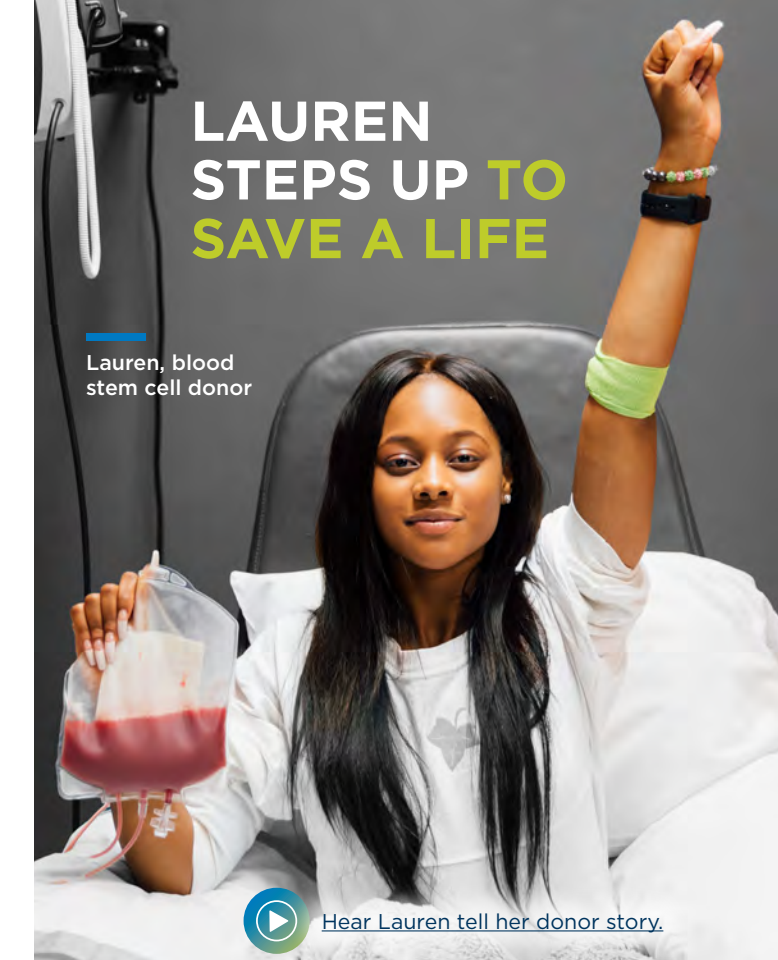
Today, JJ is an energetic preschooler who loves gymnastics. The family tries to live life to the fullest and not take anything for granted. They know JJ's Be The Match donor gave JJ a healthy future and the opportunity to be together as a family to experience the ordinary—and extraordinary—moments of everyday life.

[Watch JJ's story.](#)

JJ, blood stem cell transplant recipient

LAUREN STEPS UP TO SAVE A LIFE

Lauren, blood stem cell donor



[Hear Lauren tell her donor story.](#)

Lauren joined the Be The Match Registry after hearing about the need for more African American donors during a class at Prairie View A&M University in Texas.

Six months later, the biology major received a call that she was a match for a young boy. Without hesitation, Lauren immediately said she would honor her commitment to donate. She donated blood stem cells in the hope that her donation would restore his health and provide the life-saving cure he so desperately needed.



HOCKEY SUPER-FAN DRAWS INSPIRATION FROM HER TEAM

Meet St. Louis Blues super-fan and hometown hero, Laila. She made national news after receiving her life-saving blood stem cell transplant and cheering on the St. Louis Blues onto their first Stanley Cup.

It was inspiration all around as Laila's zest for life—and hockey—brought her entire community together last year for the inaugural St. Louis Be The Match Soiree, where Laila met her life-saving donor, Kenton, for the first time.

The power of Laila's story helped raise an incredible \$640,000 and spread critical awareness of the Be The Match mission. Event attendee Priscilla Hil-Ardoin was particularly moved by this incredible gathering and donated \$30,000 in memory of her son, Aaron, who lost his battle with sickle cell anemia at age 23.

There wasn't a dry eye in the house when Laila and Kenton embraced onstage. "What can you possibly say to someone who saved your daughter's life?" says Laila's dad. "All I can say is thank you."

Laila, blood stem cell transplant recipient



Laila, meeting her donor, Kenton



Laila beams as she wears a Stanley Cup championship ring

Watch Laila and Kenton meet for the first time.

CELEBRATING THE HOPE OF **TOMORROW**

Seven-year-old Lucy likes ballet, going to the library, riding her bike with friends and playing Uno® with her family. “Lucy just likes being around people, especially younger kids,” says her mom, Anne. “She has a great sense of humor and loves to make people laugh.”

Unfortunately, life hasn't always been so carefree for Lucy. When she was just 6 months old, she developed a persistent high fever and nodules in her skin that were found to contain leukemia cells. Lucy's diagnosis of acute myeloid leukemia (AML) meant she needed to begin treatment right away at the University of Michigan.

The first round of chemotherapy beat the cancer, but it returned a few months later. Lucy's doctor said a blood stem cell transplant would be needed to save her life. Everything went smoothly on transplant day, but she experienced acute graft-versus-host disease of the skin and spent 50 days in the hospital (220 days total) recovering.

“Lucy was the sickest she had been during those 50 days after transplant,” Anne says. “This was a really difficult time for our family, I asked myself ‘Will she ever be well enough for us to leave—will it always be like this?’ “

Today, Lucy is happy and healthy and enjoys playing soccer. “We have so much to be thankful for,” Anne says. “We celebrate every milestone, big and small.”

See the back cover for Lucy's special thank you.



Lucy, blood stem cell transplant recipient

SEARCHING FOR A MATCH AND A CURE

When Briana was a pre-teen, she often would wake up at night with intense stomach pain. After visiting the hospital, she was diagnosed with aplastic anemia. Doctors said she would need a blood stem cell transplant.

Without a fully matched donor in her family, Briana turned to Be The Match. Fourteen years later, she's still waiting to find a match.


As an African American, the likelihood of Briana finding a matching donor is only 23%. Currently, there aren't enough African American donors on the registry to help African American patients.

Today Briana, 26, continues to live life the best she can as a mother, daughter, student and photographer. “I'd like to work in family counseling with a goal to work for the school system,” she says. “But more importantly, I just want to be around for my son.”

The reality is, Briana is sicker than she's ever been. She battles debilitating pain due to her illness and is constantly at doctor appointments. Briana needs to find a match—soon.

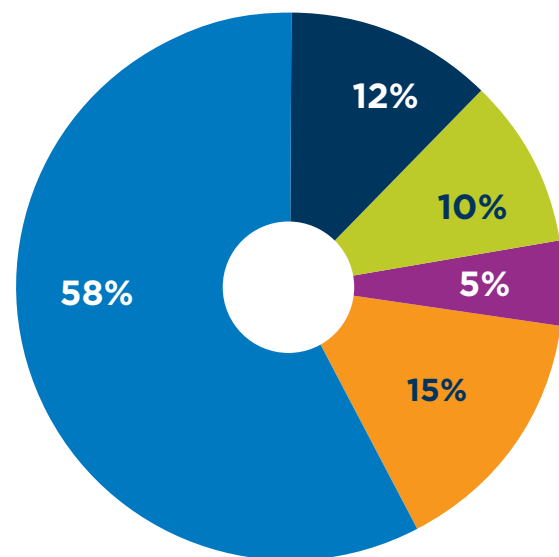
“Blessings come in so many different forms,” she says. “A stranger could come and save my life.”

By giving to the Be The Match Foundation®, you will help add new potential life-saving donors to the registry, giving patients like Briana a greater chance of finding their match.



Briana, searching patient, and her son, Tabiaz

HOW WE SPEND EACH DOLLAR



FINANCIALS

NATIONAL MARROW DONOR PROGRAM AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 (IN THOUSANDS)

ASSETS	
Current and other assets	\$166,532
Long-term investments and bond reserves	119,717
Property and equipment	94,280
TOTAL	\$380,529
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Current and long-term liabilities	\$139,515
Net assets	241,014
TOTAL	\$380,529

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 (IN THOUSANDS)

REVENUES AND GAINS	
Search and procurement fees	\$373,620
Federal contracts, cooperative agreements and contributions	74,399
Investment and other income	224
TOTAL	\$448,243
EXPENSES	
Program services	\$374,549
Management and general	65,830
Fundraising	2,647
TOTAL	\$443,026
Non-operating income	6,171
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	\$11,388

To read our consolidated audited financial statements with supplemental schedules, visit: [BeTheMatch.org/audit](https://www.bethematch.org/audit)

OUR GLOBAL NETWORK OF CARE

From the moment doctors search our registry for a blood stem cell donor or cord blood unit, to the safe delivery of the life-saving cells to patients' bedsides for transplant, and for years after, we are there every step of the way. Our global Network counts on our technology, expertise and unparalleled logistical support to make blood stem cell transplants possible.

BE THE MATCH NETWORK

22	Donor Centers	
67	Collection Centers	
84	Apheresis Centers	
153	Transplant Centers	
8	Testing Labs	
24	Recruitment Groups	
53	International Donor Centers and Cooperative Registries	
18	Member Cord Blood Banks	

FY2019 AT A GLANCE*

REGISTRY



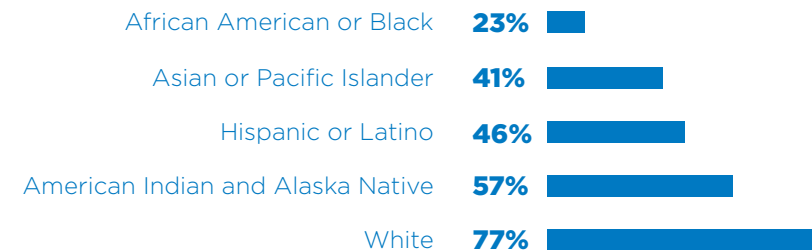
6,553

LIVES IMPACTED IN FY2019

In FY2019, 90% of transplants used adult donors:



Likelihood of having a matched, available donor on the Be The Match Registry by patient ethnic background



RESEARCH

95 NUMBER OF PUBLICATIONS IN 2019

MORE THAN **380** TRANSPLANT CENTERS PARTICIPATING IN RESEARCH

MORE THAN **200** RESEARCH STUDIES CURRENTLY UNDERWAY



PATIENT ASSISTANCE

\$4.78 MILLION

IN PATIENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GIVEN



MORE THAN **1,801** PATIENTS RECEIVED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN 2019

We provide one-on-one support, information and resources for transplant patients, caregivers and families, including patient assistance grants to help ease the financial burden of uninsured costs associated with treatment.

MISSION SUPPORT

\$13.8 MILLION IN FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS



17,140 CONTRIBUTORS

\$2.4 MILLION VALUE OF VOLUNTEER HOURS

6,566

COURIER TRIPS TAKEN TO DELIVER LIFE-SAVING BLOOD STEM CELLS

*These figures are for FY2019 (Oct. 1, 2018–Sept. 30, 2019)

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Now at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (formerly at Stanford University)

Modulation of CAR T-cell therapy efficacy by the intestinal microbiome in patients with leukemia and lymphoma (clinical)



Pavan Bachireddy, MD

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Coevolution of leukemia and immune cells during GvL response and resistance (pre-clinical)



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Impact of cognitive training on cognition after allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplantation—a randomized wait-listed clinical trial (clinical)



Nathan Singh, MD

Now at Washington University in St. Louis (formerly at University of Pennsylvania)

Molecular interactions between T cells and tumor cells that limit CAR T-cell cytotoxicity and persistence (pre-clinical)

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From there, they began participating in registry recruitment drives hosted by their local Be The Match team, and they trained to become stem cell couriers themselves. Exactly one year to the day of her donation, Laura took her first courier trip.

Nine years and 130 courier trips later, Laura and Dod are more dedicated than ever to supporting our mission. Recently, they made the decision to include Be The Match in their estate plans. They are proud knowing that their legacy will support future generations of patients receiving a cure.

Describing their personal commitment to continue delivering life-saving cells to patients, Laura says, "We have a profound sense of responsibility to bring this hope to others because we know that a cure could be possible."

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CYCLE OF LIFE



Bob Falkenberg

Bob Falkenberg was fortunate to find a perfect match and receive a blood stem cell transplant in late 2009 after being diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia. He was grateful for the opportunity to meet his donor, Jason, and calls the encounter a powerful and life-altering experience.

Bob started cycling during his recovery and formed Team Lifeblood in 2011 to raise awareness and funds for Be The Match. His first big ride was 18 months post-transplant. Team Lifeblood consists of Bob and his wife, Karen (Bob’s caregiver), their daughter, Katie, Bob’s transplant doctor, Dr. Amelia Langston, and several other friends and transplant recipients. Bob says that his mission is to show others that “this is what survivorship can look like.”

Since getting involved with Be The Match, he has held a Team Lifeblood campaign each year. In 2019, Bob and fellow transplant recipient Annie Lipsitz completed an epic 4,000 mile bike ride across the country, raising critical funds and awareness with the help of Perla Brett. Bob is consistently active on social media posting weekly and sometimes daily about Be The Match. Moreover, when we have a new idea about fundraising or raising awareness, the joke has become “Let’s call Bob,” because he is truly game for anything that might help Be The Match and all other searching patients. **Since 2011, Bob has raised more than \$85,000 for Be The Match through his Team Lifeblood efforts!**

THANK YOU BOARD OF AMBASSADORS

Members of the Be The Match Board of Ambassadors play a crucial role in our mission, serving as representatives of Be The Match within their community. These volunteers are dedicated to identifying, engaging and building relationships with individuals and corporations in support of Be The Match Distinguished Events to advance our life-saving mission.

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KEEPING UP THE FIGHT



Krissy Kobata, transplant recipient and Board of Ambassadors member

At 25 years old, Krissy Kobata was diagnosed with the blood disorder myelodysplastic syndrome and needed a blood stem cell transplant. Being of mixed race (Japanese and Caucasian) the search was not easy. In fact, Krissy’s search took 10 years before she got the news that a match was found, enabling her to receive a life-saving transplant. Since her diagnosis, Krissy has been a Be The Match champion and advocate. She has hosted multiple fundraisers, donation

drives and served as the Board of Ambassador’s lead for the Los Angeles soiree. Thank you, Krissy, for your dedication and commitment to Be The Match and helping others find their life-saving match.

From Krissy:

“I was so very lucky and fortunate to receive my life-saving blood stem cell transplant and the past 2 years have been all about recovering and getting back on my feet. I’m now free of my fatal disease and have a whole new life to plan for without the burden of worrying about whether or not I would be here.

I’ve received so much love and support that this truly feels like a team and that not only I went through this process, but all of you along with me. There were times that were very difficult, but knowing I had this support lifted me out of those depths. I truly am blessed and grateful to have each and every one of you in my corner!

The fight, however, does not stop with me. There are so many patients still waiting for their matches to come so that they can proceed with transplants. I can’t tell you how painful it is to be in this waiting game. It’s not one that you sign up for willingly and it’s not one that you can control. All you can do is hope that more and more people join the registry.

My donor came from Be the Match, and I wouldn’t be here without her.”

Please join us to raise funds in support of the transformational initiatives and critical discoveries that are helping more patients with life-threatening blood cancers and disorders advance to transplant, survive their treatment journey and enjoy longer, healthier lives.”

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Please consider joining the registry or supporting our mission with your contribution so patients like Mia can find their cure.



Get social with us to see how our life-saving mission brings people together.



Mia, searching patient

Lucy, blood stem cell transplant recipient

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