

Gunnison Tough Programs

Gunnison Tough is dedicated to providing comprehensive cancer programs to keep our community strong.

Friends of Tough

The Friends of Tough program was developed to help individuals that have been impacted financially due to a cancer diagnosis. Any individual with cancer in Gunnison and Hinsdale Counties is eligible for this financial assistance program and can apply for financial aid to help in instances where they are in need of additional financial support due to help with medical bills, mortgage/rent payments, day to day living expenses, lost wages, etc.

* Gunnison Tough can support individuals with up to \$5,000 annually based on a calendar year (January-December)

Lucy's House - Lodging

The Lucy's House program was designed to support individuals going through cancer treatment with any lodging expenses they might incur throughout the course of treatment. Gunnison Tough's Program Manager can work with individuals to book rooms / AirBNB's directly for the client or clients can be reimbursed for their lodging expenses.

*Gunnison Tough can cover up to \$175/night and up to \$5,000 annually.

Transportation

Gunnison Tough has multiple all wheel drive vehicles available for individuals to use to travel to and from cancer related treatments or appointments anywhere in the State of Colorado. All individuals and/or their drivers must have a valid Driver's License and complete a vehicle use agreement. Gunnison Tough will

cover all fuel costs either through fuel cards or direct reimbursement to the individual after travel has occurred. Vehicles can be used by individuals for the duration of their treatment. Individuals will work directly with the Gunnison Tough Program Manager to reserve vehicles and coordinate pick-up and drop off of vehicles.

*There is no annual maximum for vehicle usage or fuel reimbursement.

Sparky's Fund

Gunnison Tough has created a scholarship fund for Gunnison County youth with a parent that has been diagnosed with cancer. The scholarship is specifically designed to help ease some stress on families dealing with a cancer diagnosis and everything that comes along with the diagnosis by helping to cover the cost of extracurricular activities, summer programming, college tuition, or other opportunities for youth that the family would otherwise not be able to access while going through treatment.

*There is no annual maximum for the Sparky's fund program. Individuals interested in the program can work directly with the Gunnison Tough Program Manager to apply for the fund. Awards will be given on a case-by-case basis depending on the individual family need.

Make It a Great Day

Gunnison Tough's Make It a Great Day program is available to Gunnison and Hinsdale County residents who are diagnosed with cancer and their caregivers living in the same household. The program covers the cost of massage, reiki, ortho bionomy, and acupuncture and individual counseling sessions.

The Make It a Great Day program also covers the cost of house cleaning services for individuals going through treatment.

*Each individual and their caregiver is eligible for up to 4 integrative therapy sessions and 4 house cleaning services per year. If more sessions are needed to aid in healing each individual can discuss the possibility of more sessions with the practitioner and the Gunnison Tough Program Manager.

Breast Cancer Screenings

Gunnison Tough will cover screening mammograms and ultrasounds for uninsured or underinsured individuals. Screening mammograms and ultrasounds will be automatically billed to Gunnison Tough for anyone that is uninsured or underinsured.

Individuals needing diagnostics breast screenings such as mammograms, ultrasounds, MRIs, and biopsies will need to apply for assistance by completing the screening assistance application. Typically, Gunnison Tough will cover up to \$2,000 for diagnostic breast screenings for individuals on an annual basis.