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## SUSAN G. KOMEN® NORTH CAROLINA TRIANGLE TO THE COAST IS NOW ACCEPTING PASSING THE PROMISE GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR THE KOMEN WILMINGTON RACE FOR THE CURE®

**RALEIGH, NC- Jan. 15, 2016** – Applications are now available for the Susan G. Komen<sup>®</sup> North Carolina Triangle to the Coast (NCTC) Passing the Promise Grant. The grant is awarded to nonprofit community organizations in our service area to help bring survivors and co-survivors to the Komen Wilmington Race for the Cure<sup>®</sup>, presented locally by Belk and Wilmington Health, regardless of their ability to pay Race registration fees or travel expenses.

"Each year, the Komen Wilmington Race for the Cure® continues to create an atmosphere of inspiration and hope for everyone touched by breast cancer," said Pam Kohl, Komen NCTC Executive Director. "Watching survivors celebrate their years of survivorship and cross the finish line in triumph makes a lasting impression. This year's partnership with the Quintiles Wrightsville Beach Marathon enables us to reach a larger audience and offer support to more breast cancer patients."

The Passing the Promise Grant was developed in memory of Komen Triangle Race for the Cure<sup>®</sup> founder Jeanne Peck and her vision of making the Race an event that embraces all survivors and co-survivors. Peck believed in the power of the Race. She wanted all survivors to experience the inspirational Race and Survivor Celebration—regardless of their ability to pay registration fees or travel expenses.

Nonprofit organizations that provide support to breast cancer patients in Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Duplin, New Hanover, Onslow, Pender and Sampson counties may apply for a \$500 grant online. Apply here. The application deadline is Friday, February 19, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. Questions may be directed to Julie McQueen at <a href="mailto:imcqueen@komennctc.org">imcqueen@komennctc.org</a>.

The Komen Wilmington Race for the Cure<sup>®</sup>, presented locally by Belk and Wilmington Health, starts at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 19 at Mayfaire Town Center. Register here.

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## About Susan G. Komen® North Carolina Triangle to Coast

Susan G. Komen is the world's largest breast cancer organization, funding more breast cancer research than any other nonprofit while providing real-time help to those facing the disease. Komen was founded by Nancy G. Brinker, who promised her sister, Susan G. Komen, that she would end the disease that claimed Suzy's life. Komen NCTC is working to better the lives of those facing breast cancer in the local community. Through events like the Komen Triangle Race for the Cure®, the Komen Wilmington Race for the Cure® and the Finding

Solutions Through Science, Scholars and Survivors Luncheon, Komen **NCTC** has invested \$14 million in community breast health programs in 29 counties in central and eastern North Carolina and has helped contribute to the more than \$800 million invested globally in research. For more information, call **919-493-2873** or visit komennetc.org. Connect with us on social media at komennetc.org/get-involved/social-media.