

## YOUNG ADULT RESOURCES

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### FERTILITY (please refer to separate Fertility Resources page)

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

#### **Allyson Whitney Foundation**

<https://www.allysonwhitney.org/grants/>

*"Awards 'Life Interrupted Grants' to young adults for needs of medical bills, rent, utilities, car and health insurance premiums, IVF treatments, integrative therapies, travel expenses, and medical hair pieces."*

#### **Cameron Siemers Foundation for Hope**

<http://www.cameronsiers.org/life-grants/>

*"Offers life grants to be used in fulfillment of a dream, goal, or project for young adults between ages 18 and 30 diagnosed with a life-threatening illness."*

#### **Cancer Survivor's Fund**

<http://www.cancersurvivorsfund.org/>

*"Provides scholarships and prosthetic limbs for young adults."*

#### **Family Reach**

<https://familyreach.org/family-eligibility/>

*"Provides financial assistance for pediatric and young adult cancer patients. Helps with mortgage/ rent, utilities, auto related expenses, child care, treatment related travel, hospital parking, prescription medications, and other ancillary medical costs."*

#### **Genevieve's Helping Hands, Inc.**

<https://www.genshelpinghands.org/>

*"Provides small financial grants to young mothers coping with breast cancer to use to extend and enhance their recovery period from any type of breast cancer treatment, including at the start of treatment, a respite during or between treatments, or at the end of a treatment or course of treatment."*

#### **Healthwell Foundation**

<https://www.healthwellfoundation.org/about/what-we-do/>

*"Provides financial assistance with prescription copays, health insurance premiums, deductibles, and coinsurance, pediatric treatment costs, and travel costs."*

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### **HOPE for Young Adults with Cancer**

<http://www.hope4yawc.org/giving-hope-fund>

*“Allows young adults currently battling cancer, as well as those who have been in remission for up to 5 years after their treatment, the opportunity to help pay for necessities they encounter in everyday life.”*

### **Kristy Lasch Miracle Foundation**

<http://www.kristylasch.org/>

*“Provides financial assistance for medical expenses to women under 30 with breast cancer.”*

### **Leukemia and Lymphoma Urgent Need Program**

<https://www.lls.org/support/financial-support/urgent-need-program>

*“Provides pediatric and young adult blood cancer patients, or adult blood cancer patients enrolled in clinical trials with acute financial assistance. Includes rent, mortgage, lodging, utilities, childcare, elder care, food, transportation, car repair, car insurance, phone service, and acute dental work.”*

### **Meredith’s Miracles Colon Cancer Foundation**

[Merediths-miracles.org](http://Merediths-miracles.org) (UTSW website blocked from getting to actual site)

*“Provides financial support to young adults under 40 with colon cancer.”*

### **Nicki Leach Foundation**

<https://nickileach.org/>

*“Young adults aged 18-29 are eligible to apply for a financial grant if they have been diagnosed with cancer and are under the care of a treating oncologist.”*

### **Patient Advocate Foundation (PAN) FINANCIAL AID FUNDS**

<https://www.patientadvocate.org/connect-with-services-financial-aid-funds/>

*“The Scholarship for Survivors program awards scholarships to young adults that are or have been diagnosed with cancer. Also provides small non-medical related grants to patients depending on medical and financial criteria.”*

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### **The Samfund for Young Adult Survivors of Cancer**

<http://www.thesamfund.org/>

*“The SAMFund supports young adult cancer survivors in the U.S. as they recover from the financial impact of cancer treatment. Through direct financial assistance, in-person and online support, The SAMFund helps young adults move forward towards their personal, professional, and educational goals.*

*Grants cover a wide range of post-treatment financial needs (must be related to the cancer experience), such as current and residual medical bills, car and health insurance premiums, rent/mortgage, Continuing education, utilities, family-building expenses, gym memberships and mental health expenses. The 2-part application process is open in January and June of each year. Webinars provide information on a range of Young Adult issues and challenges including dealing with medical debt, employment, insurance, and fertility.”*

## **SURVIVORSHIP/ SUPPORT**

### **Cancer Survivors’ Fund**

<http://www.cancersurvivorsfund.org/>

*“Cancer Survivors’ Fund is a non-profit organization chartered exclusively for charitable purposes; specifically to provide college scholarships and prosthetics for the benefit of persons (young adults) diagnosed with cancer, receiving treatment for cancer or in remission to give them a new purpose and meaning in life.”*

### **Dear Jack Foundation**

<https://www.dearjackfoundation.org/>

*“Our Breathe Now program utilizes the tools of yoga, meditation, and psychosocial programming in a retreat setting for young adult survivors and their partners to heal the body and restore balance to their relationship post cancer. Our LifeList granting program works with adolescent and young adult cancer patients who have received life-threatening diagnoses to help give them something positive to focus on outside of treatment.”*

### **First Descents**

<https://firstdescents.org/programs/>

*“Provides life-changing outdoor adventures for young adults impacted by cancer.”*

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### Hope for Young Adults with Cancer

<http://www.hope4yawc.org/>

*“What We Do: Provide direct financial support to young adults ages 18-40 through our “Giving Hope” fund; organize special events to provide a social network and outlet; customized resource navigation and support information; creating awareness for this underserved and over-looked group.... We organize quarterly meetings with Stupid Cancer emphasizing a fun, stress-free environment where young adults with cancer can connect with other fighters and survivors their own age without feeling judged or embarrassed.”*

### IHADCANCER

<https://www.ihadcancer.com/>

*“IHadCancer is a cancer support community that empowers people to take control of life before, during and after cancer. Survivors, fighters and supporters/caregivers can share firsthand experiences about the emotional and physical effects of dealing and coping with cancer on a day-to-day basis.”*

### Imerman Angels

<https://imermanangels.org/>

*“Imerman Angels One-on-One Cancer Support was created on the belief that no one should face cancer alone. While we recognize that each cancer and life situation is unique, we connect cancer fighters, survivors and caregivers with “Mentor Angels” – a cancer survivor or caregiver who is as similar as possible in age, gender, and most importantly, cancer experience. Mentor Angels give cancer fighters and caregivers the chance to ask personal questions and receive support from a peer who has been down the same road before. The service is absolutely free and helps anyone touched by any type of cancer, at any stage, at any age, living anywhere in the world.”*

### Lacuna Loft

<https://lacunaloft.org/lacuna-loft-programs/>

*“Offers different free support programs like book clubs for young adult cancer patients, survivors, and caregivers.”*

### Lacuna Loft: Young Adult Cancer Resources, No Matter Where You Are

<https://lacunaloft.org/>

*“Lacuna Loft is a nonprofit organization providing online support programs to young adult cancer survivors and caregivers. The only organization offering diverse online programs regardless of diagnosis and regardless of where they live, Lacuna Loft is changing the way that age-appropriate support is provided to young adults facing cancer. Survival is insufficient and we are here to make sure that survivorship support is available, accessible, and specifically designed for young adults facing cancer. Lacuna Loft’s vision is to become the leader in wellness support programs and resources for young adult cancer survivors and caregivers, enabling them to have the age-appropriate support they deserve through a medium that fits their lifestyle.”*

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### **The Steven G. AYA Cancer Research Fund**

<http://fightconquercure.org/clinical-trials-and-the-patient-choice-act/>

*“Provides financial support for young adults to participate in a clinical trials and educational support programs.”*

### **Sy’s Fund**

<https://sysfund.org/>

*“Sy’s Fund is here to help young adults ages 18-39 who are facing the challenges of cancer by funding their creative passions, pursuits, and hobbies as well as integrative therapies such as acupuncture, reflexology and therapeutic massage.”*

### **The Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults**

<https://ulmanfoundation.org/>

*“Helps young adults continue their education after being affected by cancer through their own diagnosis or the diagnosis of a loved one. Also at the Ulman House, they provide free housing for young adult cancer patients and their caregivers. (Located in East Baltimore, MD).”*

### **Young Survival Coalition**

<https://www.youngsurvival.org/who-we-are>

*“Young Survival Coalition (YSC) strengthens the community, addresses the unique needs, amplifies the voice and improves the quality of life for young adults affected by breast cancer, locally, nationally, and internationally.”*