

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network's (ACS CAN) nationwide advocacy efforts over the past 20 years have influenced evidence-based public policy change that is saving lives from cancer and improving the lives of patients, survivors and their families.

VOLUNTEERS



ACS CAN volunteers have sent 4 MILLION

messages to lawmakers to fight for cancer legislation.



Protected access to cancer screenings and prevention

- 100K action takers
- Recruited 80K new advocacy volunteers



Mobile petition to make cancer a national priority

- Traveled more than 44K miles
- 100K signatures
- Made news in 130 media markets

EQUITABLE ACCESS TO CARE

The National Breast and Cervical Cancer **Early Detection Program (NBCCEDP)** provides access to care for low-income. uninsured and underinsured women.



ACS CAN ADVOCATES for critical protections in Affordable Care Act (ACA)

IMPACT SINCE 1991:



5.8M women served since 1991

15.1M

breast and cervical cancer screenings

70% are women of color

20M

nonelderly people gained coverage through ACA

13M*

parents and adults gained coverage through Medicaid expansion

Medicaid expansion

is reducing health disparities & detecting cancer

* Effective July 2021

TOBACCO CONTROL

2009: FEDERAL CIGARETTE TAX RAISED FOR THE FIRST TIME **SINCE 1997**

PREVENTED

220K+

students from smoking cigarettes



135K+

students from using smokeless tobacco

WILL PREVENT

900K

smoking-related deaths, deter

1.9M children from smoking, and encourage

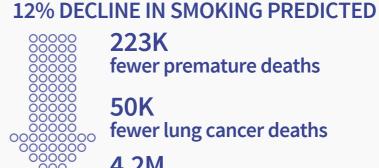
1.4M adult smokers to quit overall 61.1%

of U.S. population covered by comprehensive smoke-free laws

Up from 2.6% in 2001 Reducing exposure to secondhand smoke

AGE OF TOBACCO SALE TO

2019: CONGRESS RAISES NATIONAL



223K

fewer premature deaths

50K fewer lung cancer deaths

4.2M

fewer years of life lost

CESSATION COVERAGE 2001 2020 Only 1 state Medicaid

program **provided** comprehensive tobacco cessation

benefit

12 states provided this benefit, including Tobacco

Nation states KY, MO, OH, and SC

AVERAGE INCREASE IN state **CIGARETTE TAX** since 2000

RESEARCH & INNOVATION



ACS CAN has advocated for billions of dollars in funding at the National Institutes of Health

(NIH) and National Cancer

Institute (NCI).



OF AMERICANS ARE ALIVE

today because of federally funded cancer research and prevention.



One Degree CAMPAIGN

120K petition signatures to increase cancer research funding

- 26M social media impressions
- + \$6 billion NIH funding

• + \$1 billion NCI funding