

Why Texas is a National Leader in Cancer Prevention and Research

The Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) has positioned Texas as a magnet for medical innovation and scientific breakthroughs. It is more than just a state agency - CPRIT has put Texas at the forefront in the war to defeat cancer. Since voters overwhelmingly approved \$3 billion in cancer prevention and research funding for CPRIT in 2007, Texas has become the second-largest public funder of cancer research in the nation — and the results have exceeded expectations.

Prevention and Care



More than **4 million** clinical services provided to **Texans in every** single county



More than **12,000 people** are now aware that they have cancer or a likelihood of getting cancer and can be proactive, because of CPRIT's grants



Between 2010 and 2015, Texas saw a **9% drop** in cancer death rates — this translates to nearly 10,207 averted deaths

Accolades



A CPRIT scholar was awarded the **2018 Nobel Prize** in Medicine



More than **1,250 awards** have been provided for cancer research, product development, and prevention, totaling nearly **\$2 billion**

Economic Success



CPRIT has created more than **98,000 jobs**, attracting talented researchers, physicians, and entrepreneurs to Texas



More than \$10.9 billion in economic activity has been generated as a result of CPRIT's involvement in Texas



Unless the Texas Legislature acts in 2019, CPRIT'S funding will decline dramatically, bringing to a halt much of the progress made in prevention and research. Any interruption of funding may jeopardize the huge progress we've made to find cures and treatment.

The results of inaction are dire:

- Screening and prevention programs will be severed
- Texans in every county will lose access to clinical services provided by CPRIT
- Numerous jobs created through CPRIT funding will disappear
- The declining cancer death rate in Texas will be put in jeopardy
- Texas will lose its distinction as a national leader in cancer prevention and research



89% of Texas voters believe it is important for the state to remain a national leader in cancer research and prevention by providing state funds for CPRIT



78% of Texas voters believe it is more important to continue the lifesaving work that CPRIT is doing than it is to end the program and save taxpayers money

All of the progress made over the past decade has the potential to be undone if funding to CPRIT is lost. A majority of Texans support fully funding CPRIT. Now we need state lawmakers to act.

ACS CAN urges state lawmakers to **SUPPORT** continued funding for CPRIT this year.

