

What is Light The Night?

Light the Night Walk is The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Walk that funds lifesaving research and support for people battling cancer. Friends, families and co-workers form fundraising teams and millions of consumers help by donating at retail outlets. These efforts culminate in inspirational, memorable, evening walks in nearly two hundred communities across America and Canada.

The night of the walk, participants walk leisurely along a one to three mile route in their communities. Dedication banners and remembrance ceremonies provide an opportunity to display a name or message, honoring or commemorating a family member or friend with cancer.

Light The Night is unique in that it is held in the evening and walkers have the opportunity to carry an illuminated lantern — white for patients and survivors, red for supporters and gold in memory of a loved one lost. It is a visually stunning event that raises needed funds to make a difference in the fight against cancer.

Champions For Cures



Registration for the walk and attending has no cost, however, we encourage all walkers to raise \$100 and become a Champion For Cures. On the night of the walk people who raise \$100 or more receive an illuminated balloon, a walk t-shirt, and a wristband for food and beverages. All patient and survivors will receive these benefits regardless of their fundraising levels.

Bright Lights Club

Raise \$1,000 or more and become a member of our Bight Lights Club! YOU can help LLS continue to fuel research breakthroughs and treatment advances that will save lives.

Bright Lights Club members will receive special recognition and exclusive gifts in honor of their extraordinary efforts in the fight against cancer.

Family & Friends Teams

When a family member or friend is diagnosed with a blood cancer, we all want to do something to make a difference. Participating in the Light The Night Walk, and becoming a Champion For Cures, is a wonderful, positive and inspirational way to support or remember a loved one.

Family and Friends teams are the backbone of Light the Night Walk as they have a more personal connection to the walk. Revenue from friends & family teams represents more than half of the total Light the Night Team Revenue.

Every team must have a team captain, who will recruit a team and manage the team's fundraising efforts. Having more than one captain in a team is encouraged when teams have more than 10 members. Fundraising can be done by both groups and individuals. An online fundraising page is also provided for every walker registered in every team in order to help them get online donations and share it through social media.

This booklet includes team building tutorials, fundraising ideas, sample letters to get donors or/and team members, as well as the assistance of Light The Night staff to help them and their teams reach their fundraising goals.



Team Building Tutorial

set a Goal!

Meet with your local Light The Night Staff to create a comprehensive plan for your team based on your needs

Write a Personal Fundraising Letter

- Compose a passionate letter about why you are walking and how people can support your fundraising efforts.
- Send your letter to your holiday card list. The more letters you send the more funds you will raise!
- Remember to include a link to your online fundraising page

Recruit Walkers

- Ask your friends, neighbors, family members or co-workers to join your team and raise money through their contacts.
- Plan a kickoff to sign up walkers and get them excited. LLS staff can help by attending and discussing our mission.

Create Excitement

- Have a team T-shirt.
- Create excitement with e-mail updates on your team's
- progress.
- Customize your team webpage. You can include information about your team, your inspiration and even photos!

Raise Money

- Encourage every walker in your team to raise \$100.
- Approach your favorite businesses to sponsor your team.
- Organize FUNdraising events for your team.
- Ask everyone to donate. The magic to fundraising is to ask!

Celebrate Your Team's Success

- Attend the Walk. Take a team photo. Eat, drink and celebrate raising funds to find cancer cures!
- Thank your walkers and share your team's fundraising successes.

Incentives

Make a difference, raise funds and earn great prizes!

Participants raising \$100 or more will become a Champion For Cures and receive a t-shirt, illuminated lantern and refreshments on event day. All participants raising \$250+ will receive a notification after the event with details on selecting one incentive item at or below the prize level achieved. The exclusive Light The Night Recognition items are offered as a thank you for your efforts and you may choose to donate back to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at no cost to the organization.



Fundraising Ideas

Tournaments & Contests

Find something that would interest your network of contacts and organize a contest or tournament around that idea. Charge an entry fee and offer a donated prize to the winner.

Popular ideas include:

Miniature golf tournament Cornhole tournament
Wii challenge Board game competition
Billiards tournament Trivia night

Bowling tournament Kickball tournament Guitar Hero contest

My LLS App

My LLS app is a new, free mobile app for Light the Night walk participants, volunteers, and teams. With My LLS, you can accept and deposit credit card and check donations directly to your charity's bank account, import your social network contacts, track and communicate with team members, and archive goals across events and campaigns.



Did you know?

LLS will provide you and your team with yard signs, banners, collection boxes, brochures, etc. for free. Talk to our staff about providing your team with materials to help fundraise.

Fantasy Hub

Fantasy Hub is an online fantasy sports platform that provides users with a fun and easy way to achieve their fundraising goals. Through Fantasy Hub, you can select a one-day fantasy sports game, set an entry fee, invite your friends through social media and 80% of the funds collected will go towards your Light The Night team.

Visit www.fantasyhub.com to watch an informational video and create your fund-raiser.



Fundraising Ideas

Simple Individual Efforts

Online fundraising

Customize your Light The Night fundraising page and share the link with everyone you know. Update your page regularly and share the link on your social media networks. Nearly 30% of all donations last year were made online! Raising funds is just a click away, and all transactions are secure.

Personal letter writing/email campaign

Share your reasons for participating and request donations in a letter or email to your friends and family.

Email signature

Add a message to your emails asking people to walk with you or make a donation. Include your fundraising page link to make contributing very convenient.

Social networking

Talk about the walk and post your fundraising page link on Facebook, Twitter, etc. Use "#LTN2015" to help find your team's posts.

Fundraising at Work

Casual or theme day

Ask for permission to have a jeans day in your office where employees make a set donation to participate. If your office dress code is already casual, consider having a flip-flop day, crazy hat day, or team spirit day with the same concept.

Collection Boxes

Your Light The Night staff can provide you with LLS collection boxes to place in your cubicle, office, break room, lobby/waiting area, or anywhere else you can.



Mini raffles

Assemble products given to you by clients/vendors into gift bags or baskets and raffle them off each month in your office. You could also solicit donated items from local businesses to offer as prizes.

Corporate Matching Gifts

cancers. And you may have the opportunity to double your impact Every donation, large or small, makes a difference in the fight against blood

company at www.matchinggifts.com/lls. find out if your employer offers a matching gift program, please search for your Nationally, \$10 Billion in corporate matching gifts goes unclaimed each year. To

When filling our any paperwork, be sure to note our local information:

Chapter name: Kentucky & Southern Indiana

EIN number: 13-5644916

Address: 301 East Main St., Suite 100, Louisville KY, 40202

Contact your local Light The Night staff for further assistance

date treatment options \$25 provides patients and their loved ones with free booklets that contain up-to-

trained facilitator. \$50 brings that experience to life through family support groups, lead by a

Ask Us About Our Paper Balloon Program

Did you know that we provide all materials needed to run a paper balloon sales program at no cost to local businesses?

store, pharmacy, gas station, or other customers for a minimum \$1 donation, let us high-traffic spot willing to offer these icons to If you know a restaurant, hair salon, grocery

business while raising funds for your Light The Night campaign. We will help you set up a program that fits the



Online Fundraising Quick Start Guide

the link to your fundraising page to everyone you know! include a company logo, team photos, and why you want to raise money. Email page and a team online fundraising page. Customize your fundraising page and you register for Light The Night Walk, you get a personal fundraising online Online fundraising is the most effective, quick and easy way to fundraise. When

Visit http://etools.lightthenight.org/signin

Get Started

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Customize Your Page

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Access your page often to make updates and check on donations.

supportservices@lls.org or your local Light The Night Staff. For further assistance, please contact LLS Support Services at

Join My Team or Donate—Sample Letter

Your local LLS staff can provide you with several different sample letters, and emails to make your fundraising easier! Find more letters at www.lightthenight.org/ky/localchapter/tools.

Date

Dear [family member or friend's name]:

I am forming a team for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) Light The Night Walk, and I hope you will join me.

Light The Night Walk is LLS's annual walk and fundraising event —and the nation's night to pay tribute and bring hope to people battling cancer.

Teams of friends and families or co-workers raise funds for cancer research and to provide services in their communities. Walkers carry illuminated balloons-white for survivors, red for supporters and gold for those who have lost a loved one to blood cancer.

As you may know, [insert your personal reason for walking here – if you are affected by a blood cancer or have a family member affected, please share about the diagnosis, treatment and why this walk is important to you

Your help will make a difference. Please consider walking on my team and making a commitment to raising funds. If you can't participate, then please make a donation.

For more information or to donate online, visit [insert team page URL].

Here are some facts about the upcoming Walk:

When: Saturday, September 26, 2015

Where: Louisville Slugger Field

Thank you for your support.

[Your Name]

Vendor Sample Letter

end or give this letter to your favorite businesses, such as your hairdresser, entist, doctor, bakery, grocery store, dry cleaner, etc..

[Date]

Dear [Store Manager,]

I have made a commitment to support The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) Light The Night Walk. Light The Night is LLS's annual walk and fundraising event—and the nation's night to pay tribute and bring hope to people battling cancer. Teams of friends and families or co-workers raise funds for cancer research and provide services in their communities.

Locally, the Walk will take place on Saturday, September 26, 2015 at the Louisville Slugger Field.

LLS has an important mission: Cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families.

[Insert details about why you are supporting LTN...

LLS is the world's largest voluntary health agency dedicated to finding cures for blood cancers. They are saving lives not someday, but today.

LLS funds research to advance more breakthrough therapies for blood cancer patients. To date, LLS have invested more than \$875 million in research to advance therapies and save lives. Some of the therapies first approved for blood cancer patients are now helping patients with other types of cancers and other serious diseases.

Despite advances in survival rates, about half of blood cancer patients do not survive, so more research is needed to find better treatments that will help save more lives.

I hope you'll agree with me that this cause is worth your support. Please use the tear-off form below and send it back to me with your contribution, payable to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, in the enclosed envelope if you have any questions, would like to join me in the Walk or even form a Walk team of your own, please call me at [Number].

Thank you for helping save lives

Sincerely, [Signature]

For more information, visit www.lightthenight.org/ky

Save The Date

Bank Days

Friday, September 18th Wednesday, September 23rd 9:00am-5:00pm At the LLS Office.

Skip the line on walk day! Turn in funds, pick up your team's shirts and wristbands.

Contact Information

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LIGHT THE NIGHT WALK

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) Light
The Night Walk funds treatments that are saving the
lives of patients today. LLS is accelerating cures by
providing patient support services, advocacy for lifesaving
treatments and the most promising cancer research
anywhere. And it's all happening now.

Friends, families and co-workers form fundraising teams and millions of consumers help by donating at retail outlets. These efforts culminate in inspirational, memorable evening walks in nearly 200 communities across North America each fall.

more funds raised = more support for patients

Our average Light The Night participant will raise \$250 to help fund blood cancer research and to ensure access to treatment for patients.

Walkers raise funds to help support:

- Lifesaving cancer research
- Financial assistance to cover patient expenses for medication and testing
- Free educational materials and events
- Programs such as the Patti Robinson Kaufmann First Connection program and Family Support Groups
- Advocacy for better treatments and healthcare reform
- Comprehensive, personalized assistance through our Information Resource Center

Every walker who raises \$100 or more* will become a Champion For Cures and will be recognized on the night of the Walk with a commemorative Light The Night t-shirt, our exclusive illuminated lantern and a wristband which entitles the wearer to a variety of food and refreshments.

STEP UP: LIGHTTHENIGHT.ORG/REGISTER



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Walk Day Information

Louisville Walk

Louisville Slugger Field Saturday, September 26, 2015 Check-in: 5:00 pm • Walk begins: 7:00 pm

Lexington Walk

Whitaker Bank Ballpark Saturday, October 17, 2015 Check-in: 5:00pm • Walk begins: 7:00 pm

Join us for a Remembrance Ceremony

to commemorate lives lost to cancer at 6:45 pm

Corporate Walk Chairs



Lee Collins Independent Pilots Association



Matthew Frank Central Bank

Benefits of Early Sign-Up for 2015 Walk

- Be the first to receive our newest fundraising tools and resources
- Opportunity to participate in early fundraising promotions
- Important advocacy updates for blood cancer funding

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