As 2021 comes to an end, we want to say thank you for all that you do to make a difference in the lives of those touched by sarcoma. The Sarcoma Foundation of America (SFA) appreciates supporters like you who know how important it is to give the gift of hope to sarcoma patients and their families. Your support and friendship have helped make SFA the largest private funder of research in the sarcoma community and a leader in supporting patients, survivors and their loved ones.

As you know, SFA advocates for sarcoma patients by funding research, increasing awareness about the disease, empowering patients and families through science communications and education, and advocating for public policy issues that impact the sarcoma community.

While significant progress is being made, we know that there is still much left to do. Thank you for standing with us and supporting our mission. We wish you the happiest of holidays and look forward to continuing our work together in 2022!
Advocates in Action

Raising Awareness for Sarcoma

Silverback: The Trent Williams Story

Sarcoma Survivor, SFA Ambassador and 2021 Courage Award Honoree, Trent Williams, San Francisco 49ers, is sharing his story to raise much needed awareness for sarcoma. Through his new documentary, Silverback: The Trent Williams Story, Trent highlights his diagnosis and how he overcame sarcoma to ultimately land the highest contract for his position in NFL history.

On December 13, SFA will join Trent, the San Francisco 49ers team and community to officially launch the documentary and personally present Trent with the 2021 Courage Award. The documentary will officially launch on December 14.

You can pre-order the documentary by visiting https://geni.us/WatchSilverback -- and following @thesilverbackdoc on Instagram and @silverbackdoc on Twitter.
Sarcoma Awareness and the National Football League

SFA and sarcoma awareness were recognized during the December 5 National Football League My Cause My Cleats campaign. Through this campaign, players have the opportunity to pick a cause that is important to them and represent their chosen organization on custom designed cleats.

SFA thanks John Franklin-Myers, New York Jets, Tim Patrick, Denver Broncos, and Trent Williams, San Francisco 49ers for using their platform and their personal sarcoma connection to shine a light on the sarcoma community.

Research Roundup

Advancing Sarcoma Research

The 2021 Connective Tissue Oncology Society (CTOS) annual meeting was held virtually from November 10-13. Topics included demographics, prognosis factors, and outcomes for patients with sarcoma and COVID-19, in addition to advances in the treatment of multiple sarcomas including GIST, bone tumors, retroperitoneal sarcoma, and ultra-rare sarcomas. There were also updates on surgical techniques as well as multidisciplinary management and neoadjuvant therapy. From the presentations at the meeting, we continue to see progress in the areas of immunotherapy and personalized medicine as well as an emphasis on quality of life issues and the patient’s perspective.

SFA News

SFA's Latest Live Expert Chat Now Available Online
The link for our most recent Live Expert Chat, "Radiation Therapy in Sarcoma Treatment," is now available.

During the session, a panel of sarcoma experts... gave a background on sarcoma and the role of radiation therapy in sarcoma treatment. They also gave highlights of the new recommendations from recently released ASTRO guidelines. In addition, two of the experts discussed how surgical oncologists and medical oncologists may integrate the recommendations into their treatments.

We are grateful to Drs. Bedi, Trent, Sicklick, and Guadagnolo for sharing their expertise with the sarcoma community.

If you missed the discussion, or if you want to watch again, you can find the link to the archived session on the SFA website at www.curesarcoma.org/education/.

Questions or comments? Please email us at programs@curesarcoma.org.

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**Give the Gift of Hope!**

What better way to celebrate the holiday season than by giving the gift of hope. Celebrate the giving season by making a holiday donation in the honor or memory of a loved one, friend, or colleague.

When you participate in SFA’s Holiday Giving Card donation program, those who receive your best wishes will know of your support and commitment to helping SFA continue to fund lifesaving research, educate patients, grow much needed awareness, and provide hope to people affected by sarcoma.

Know that your charitable gift will help us advocate for sarcoma patients by funding research and by increasing awareness about the disease.

https://www.curesarcoma.org/holiday-gift/
Thank You!

Thank you for supporting the Race to Cure Sarcoma 2021 event series.

You showed up in cities, parks and neighborhoods across the country. You showed up on paths, treadmills, bikes and skateboards. You showed up in the rain, cold and heat. You showed up, and we are eternally grateful.

Although you couldn’t all be together in person, you came together to shine a light on sarcoma and to support sarcoma research. Thank you!

Your participation in the Race to Cure Sarcoma events helps to bring us closer to the cure. It is with your support and involvement that we are able to generate awareness for sarcoma, educate and advocate for patients and raise funds for much-needed research.

Below is a highlight of the 2021 race series. Thank you to our Top Teams and Fundraisers. We look forward to seeing you in 2022!
2022 Race Series

We have started to secure dates and locations for the 2022 races and are adding more each week. If you are interested in joining the planning committee for any of these events or have a group of volunteers that would like assist SFA in hosting an event in a new city, please email events@curesarcoma.org.

SAVE THE DATE FOR 2022!

Atlanta - April 23
Baltimore - May 21*
Chicago - October 8*
Cleveland - June 25*
Denver - August 20
Kansas City - June 11*
Louisville - August 14
Los Angeles - September 25*
Milwaukee - July 9
National Virtual - July 23
Nashville - October 22*
New Jersey - October 9*
Philadelphia - September 24
Richmond - November 5*
San Diego - September 24*
San Francisco - April*
Tampa - November 12
Houston - May 14*

*Projected date/month