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Friends of Cancer Patients

# Annual Report

## 2022





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## Forward

As we embark on another year, it is with great pride and gratitude that I reflect upon the incredible journey of Friends of Cancer Patients over the past 23 years. Since our establishment in 1999 under the esteemed directives and patronage of Her Highness Sheikha Jawaher bint Mohammed Al Qasimi, our organization has achieved numerous milestones in the fight against cancer.

In this annual report, we are honored to present our key accomplishments for the year 2022, which revolve around three core pillars: raising awareness about the importance of early cancer detection, providing comprehensive support to cancer patients, and advocating for better cancer policies and promoting global best practices.

Guided by the unwavering generosity and visionary leadership of our wise leaders, we have successfully alleviated the burden of treatment costs for 258 cancer patients throughout the year, transcending nationality, age, and religion. This accomplishment stands as a testament to our commitment to inclusivity and ensuring that every individual facing cancer receives the support they deserve.

Furthermore, Friends of Cancer Patients organized a series of events and advocacy activities throughout the year, aiming to provide vital emotional support to those living with the disease. Initiatives such as the Pink Caravan, Relay for Life, ANA childhood cancer initiative, and Shanab initiative have not only strengthened our impact but also played a pivotal role in spreading awareness and fostering early detection practices across the country.

In addition to these efforts, Friends of Cancer Patients actively participated in multiple seminars, workshops, and local as well as international conferences that align with our humanitarian mission. By engaging with experts and sharing knowledge, we continually strive to advance cancer research, treatment methodologies, and patient care, thus paving the way for a brighter future in the battle against this devastating disease.

As we move forward, we remain steadfast in our commitment to enhancing the lives of cancer patients and their families. With the invaluable support of our stakeholders, dedicated team, and the wider community, we are confident that we will continue to make a profound impact in the fight against cancer.

**H.E. Sawsan Al Fahoum Jafar**

Chairman Board of Directors  
Friends of Cancer Patients



# Our board

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**H.E. Sawsan Al-Fahoum Jafar**  
Chairman Board of Directors  
Founding Member



**H.E. Sheikha Lubna Bint Khalid Al Qaisimi**  
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Board Secretary



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Board Member



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**H.E. Ibrahim Al Khayyal**  
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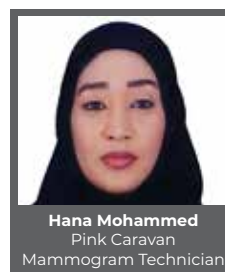
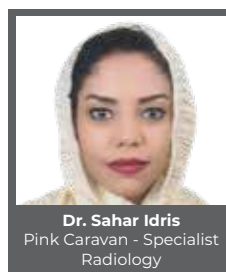
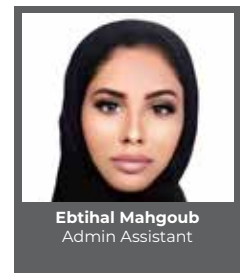
**H.E. Dr. Omar Al Hamadi**  
Board Member



**H.E. Meera Taryam**  
Board Member

# Our Team

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Your contribution allowed us to achieve our goals

## Beneficiary Support in 2022

**258** We Covered  
Cancer Patients  
treatment cost

We Provided  
38 Moral Support  
Sessions for 841  
Patients & Families **841**

**100** We Distributed  
Essential Food Kits  
for 100 Patients and  
their Families

We Hosted  
An Iftar Gatherings  
for 210 Patients  
and their Families **210**

**103** We Gifted  
KISWAT EID Kits &  
School Bags Kits  
towards Children  
with Cancer and  
their Families

## Community Impact in 2022

We Engaged  
**450<sup>+</sup>** Delegates in The 5th  
Combined Cancer  
Conference

We Inspired  
The community to lead a  
healthy life style by taking  
over 71 Million steps in Relay  
by FOCP app challenge **71<sup>+</sup>**  
**Million Steps**

We Offered  
**3,041**  
Breast Cancer Clinical Examinations

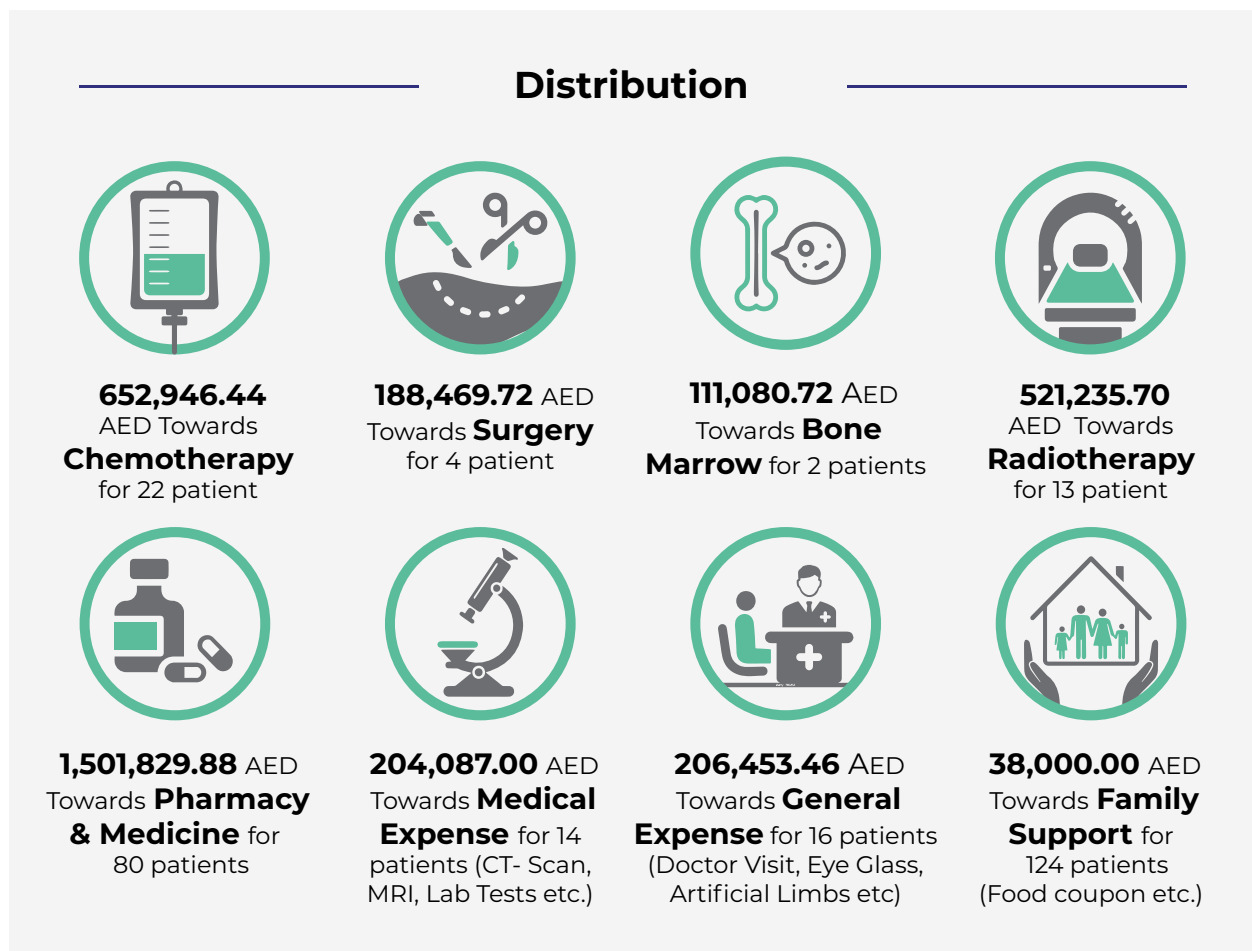
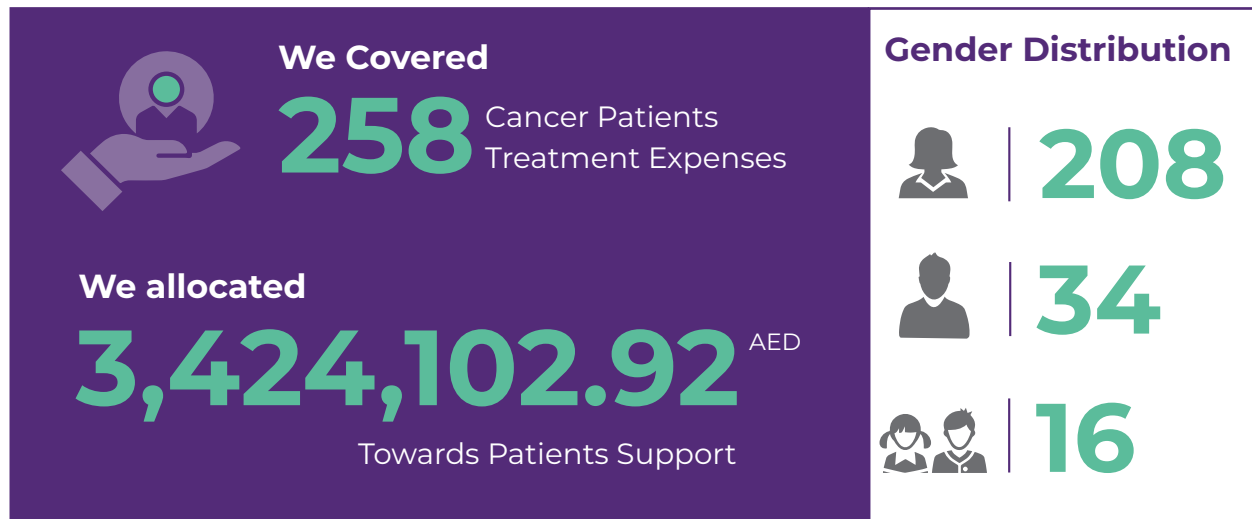


We Provided  
**839**  
Mammogram  
Screenings

# Financial Summary

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Your donation made a huge impact and gave hope to our warriors

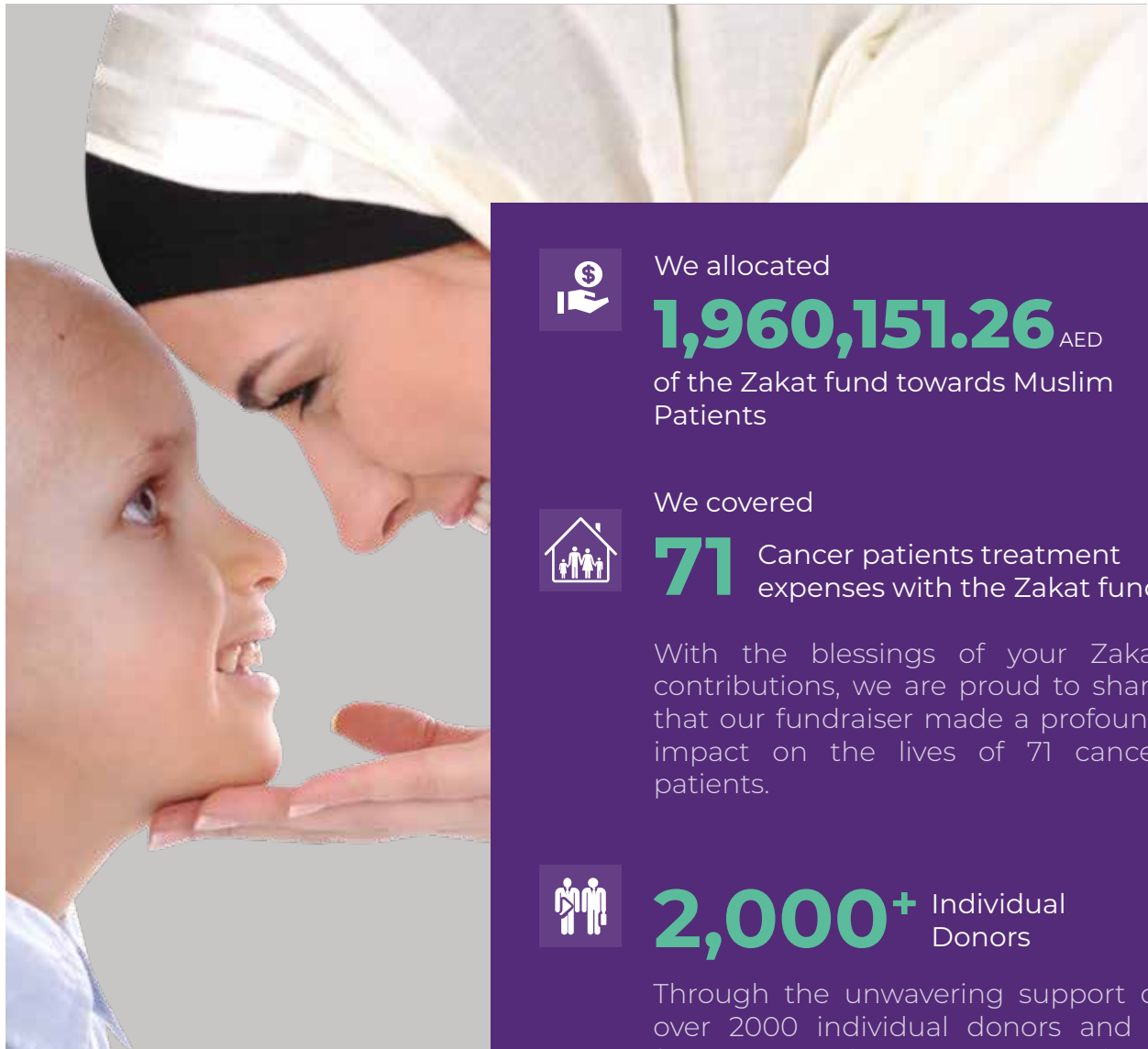




## Zakat Campaign: Empowering lives and creating change

Our Zakat Campaign empowers lives and creates lasting change through the power of giving. By fulfilling your zakat obligation, you can make a tangible difference in the lives of those less fortunate. With transparency and accountability, we channel zakat contributions towards Muslim Cancer patients treatment expenses. Together, we can transform communities and provide opportunities for a brighter future.

- Raise fund for Muslim cancer patients treatment cost
- Increase awareness about cancer and the expenses of the treatment cost
- Spread the message of hope and unity to encourage individuals to contribute



We allocated

**1,960,151.26** AED

of the Zakat fund towards Muslim Patients



We covered

**71** Cancer patients treatment expenses with the Zakat fund

With the blessings of your Zakat contributions, we are proud to share that our fundraiser made a profound impact on the lives of 71 cancer patients.



**2,000+** Individual Donors

Through the unwavering support of over 2000 individual donors and a few esteemed corporates, we have successfully collected an inspiring sum of Zakat funds.

# Programs & Services

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## Joy cart moral support activation

FOCP hosted joy cart events regularly to spread joy to those who are suffering. We believe that every child deserves to experience the joy of childhood, regardless of their health challenges. Supported by Tawam hospital, Mediclinic Hospital, Dubai Hospital, Art Beat, Adventureland, Sharjah Museums and Sharjah Children Centers.



## Patient focus group workshop

FOCP in support with MSD conducted a patient focus group workshop, where we had the privilege of gathering valuable insights and inputs directly from cancer patients. This workshop aimed to better understand their needs and challenges throughout their treatment journey. In addition, it helped to provide a comprehensive resource hub for patients, survivors, and their families.



## Color my world moral support activation

The "Colour my World" programme is part of the FOCP's increased emphasis on patient-focused events, which includes entertaining trips, sports activities and workshops throughout the year. Organising such events on a regular basis offers cancer patients the opportunity to meet, connect with one another and engage in enjoyable activities, to build unity and encourage them to work together to overcome the disease.

Your contribution supported our programs and activities for our warriors



## 100 Food Boxes Distributed to Cancer Patients and Their Families

In collaboration with the UAE Food Bank, we were able to distribute 100 food boxes to cancer patients and their families during the holy month of Ramadan.

The distribution of these food kits not only nourishes the bodies of cancer patients and their families but also uplifts their spirits, reminding them that they are not alone in their journey.

# Programs & Services

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## FOCP's ramadan gathering strengthens bonds among 200+ patients, survivors, and families

The Annual Ramadan Iftar hosted by Friends Of Cancer Patients was supported this year by the Hayatt Palace jumeirah, Dubai in an effort to bring joy and happiness to our beneficiaries, survivors and patients.



## Umrah trip supported by Sharjah Charity International



**10** Patients to Ummrah

Total sponsorship for Umrah trip



**50,000** AED

**700+**

FOCP successfully brought together over **700** compassionate individuals who selflessly donated their hair. This act of selflessness has allowed us to create wigs for cancer patients, providing them with a renewed sense of confidence and comfort amidst their challenging journey.







## 5th Combined Gulf Cancer Conference

In partnership with The Gulf Federation for Cancer Control and Gulf Center for Cancer Control & Prevention, Friends of Cancer Patients proudly hosted the 5th Annual Combined Gulf Cancer Conference. Held from 21st to 23rd November 2022, the conference revolved around the overarching theme of "Continuum of Care in Cancer Control."

The three days Scientific Conference covered the course of three impactful days, the Scientific Conference comprehensively explored the entire spectrum of cancer care continuum in the Gulf Region. Its primary objective was to analyze the current state of affairs and shed light on global best practices, all with the aim of enhancing the standards of care in cancer control and management. Esteemed international speakers, renowned oncologists, esteemed scientists, distinguished public health experts, and dedicated researchers were among the many luminaries who graced the conference with their presence.

**456**   
Delegates

**56**   
Speakers

**6**   
Scientific  
Tracks

**13**   
Abstracts  
Presented

**22**   
Countries  
Represented

**5**   
Plenary  
Sessions

 **23** Sponsors, Partners  
& Exhibitors

## Objectives:

- **To evaluate** the current state of cancer burden and cancer control programs & management in gulf region
- **To analyze** opportunities & gaps in order to enhance cancer care continuum in the gulf region
- **To improve** the cancer control & management of care to impact population outcome through prioritizing intervention across cancer continuum
- **To highlight** civil society role in enhancing cancer care continuum spectrum in gulf region



## Youth in action & Activities

Reaffirming its belief in youth contribution to the healthcare sector, the 5th Combined Gulf CancerConference (CGCC) offered a unique platform for university students and upcoming medical experts to share their abstract research presentations throughout the three-day conference.

During the daily presentations themed 'Youth in Action', young researchers showcased their cancer control research projects and findings aimed at improving healthcare systems and cancer treatments in the GCC countries. The best three presentations were lauded at the closing ceremony of the CGCC.

The conference also conducted a 'Youth Engagement' session under the theme of "Exploring Youth Perceptions About the Continuum of Care in Cancer Control & Management".

In addition conference conducted a workshop: "Art Therapy Program: To Improve Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing" during the conference. This workshop provided a unique hands-on experience to the delegates.



**13** Scientific Abstracts





# Global Engagement

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## 2nd Gulf Survivor forum

Friends of Cancer Patients, hosted the second edition of the “Gulf Survivors Forum 2022” on 28th June 2022, under the inspiring slogan of “Together to Empower.”

In collaboration with the Gulf Federation for Cancer Control (GFCC), along with the valued support of the Sharjah Broadcasting Authority and the Cultural and Media Office at the Supreme Council of Family Affairs - Sharjah. It served as a platform that brought together representatives and participants from diverse entities across the GCC, all deeply committed to cancer prevention and control efforts.

A poignant highlight of the forum was the heartfelt stories shared by seven courageous cancer survivors hailing from various parts of the GCC. These survivors captivated the audience with their tales of resilience, hope, and unwavering courage on their journey to recovery.

The forum served as a powerful testament to the indomitable spirit of those impacted by cancer, while emphasizing the importance of unity, support, and empowerment.

### Objectives

- The role and impact of the moral and psychological support on patient's response to treatment plan & recovery.
- The role of governments, health institutions, and the community in empowering survivors (Success Stories).
- Showcasing the pioneering experiences of cancer societies in the GCC in survivors' rehabilitation & empowerment.



**148**  
Attendees

**46**  
Countries  
Represented





## October Corporate Wellness Days

In 2022, Friends of Cancer Patients made a significant impact by conducting 66 activities focused on breast cancer screening and early detection. Through these initiatives, we were able to provide essential services to the community, resulting in:

### Mammograms:

- Facilitated and performed 604 mammograms for individuals at risk or in need of breast cancer screening.

### Clinical Breast Examinations:

- Conducted 2,506 clinical breast examinations, providing thorough assessments and examinations for early signs of breast cancer.
- Empowered individuals to take charge of their health by promoting regular breast self-examinations and recognizing potential abnormalities.

We are immensely proud of the collaborative efforts between FOCP, healthcare professionals, our esteemed partners and volunteers that made these activities possible.



We Provided

**839**

**Mammogram Screening**



Total

**2,506**

**Clinical Breast Examinations**



Total

**66**

**Clinical Activations**



# Community Engagement

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## Relay for Life 2022

Friends of Cancer Patients held the 3rd edition of the Relay For Life event in December 2022. This remarkable event brought together individuals, communities, and organizations from all walks of life to join hands in the fight against cancer.

With the unwavering support of participants, volunteers, and sponsors, the FOCP Relay For Life event created an atmosphere of unity, hope, and determination. Throughout the 24 hours, participants walked, ran, and cheered each other on, symbolizing their commitment to never giving up in the face of adversity. The relay format highlighted the importance of teamwork, perseverance, and the continuous effort required to combat cancer.

Alongside the relay, the event featured various activities, including inspirational speeches, survivor stories, live performances, and educational sessions about cancer prevention and early detection. These elements aimed to raise awareness, inspire hope, and provide valuable information to the attendees.



**2500<sup>+</sup>**

Relayers



**400<sup>+</sup>**

Survivors & Care givers



**100<sup>+</sup>**

Volunteers



## Lumnaria

A poignant and heartfelt moment during the Relay For Life event was the Luminary ceremony, a solemn tribute to honor those affected by cancer. This special ceremony provided a space for reflection, remembrance, and hope, as participants came together to honor the lives of cancer survivors, remember those who lost their battle, and show solidarity with individuals still fighting.

Relyers gathered around the luminaries, bearing the names and messages of loved ones, friends, and community members who have been touched by cancer. These luminaries served as a powerful visual representation of the impact that cancer has on individuals and their families.

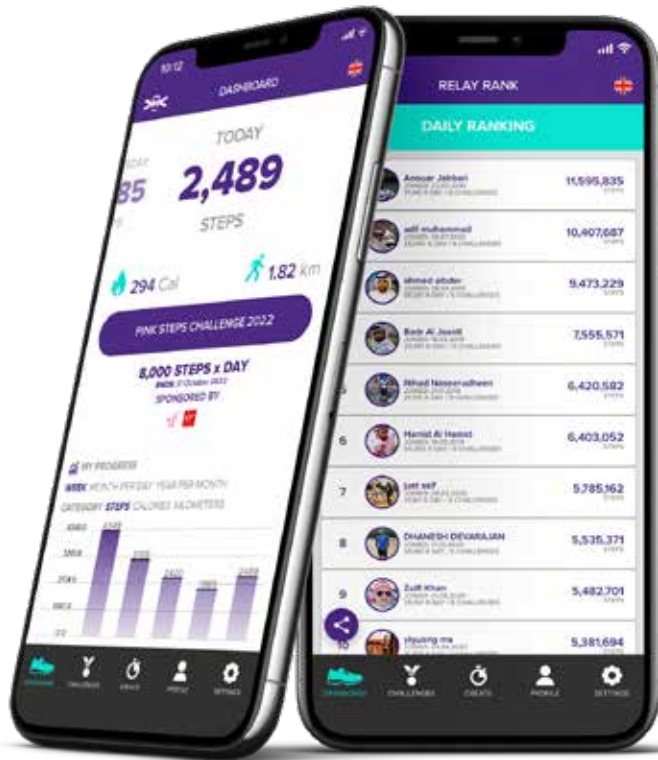


**3,500**  
Lumnaria Bags





## Relay by FOCF Mobile App



Relay by FOCF leverages the power of technology to promote the significance of a healthy lifestyle and encourage participants to embrace positive changes in their daily routines. By offering a range of fun and engaging activities, the app inspires individuals to adopt healthier habits and lead more productive lives.

Through its user-friendly interface and intuitive features, Relay by FOCF facilitates seamless donation collection and fosters a sense of community among participants. By taking part in the app's interactive challenges, users not only contribute to the noble cause of supporting cancer patients but also cultivate their own well-being.



## Webinars highlights



**12** Webinars



**349**  
Attendees





# Awards & Achievements

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## Global Good Governance (3G) Awards



### Friends of Cancer Patients Receives Dual Honors at 2022 Global Good Governance (3G) Awards

FOCP proudly received the esteemed **3G Leadership Award for Social Sector & Philanthropy 2022**, acknowledging its exemplary leadership and commitment to making a positive impact in the community. This recognition is a testament to FOCP's tireless efforts in driving social change and providing vital support to cancer patients and their families.

In addition, FOCP was honored with the **3G Best Community Service Award 2022**, recognizing the organization's exceptional community service initiatives. This accolade reaffirms FOCP's dedication to improving the lives of those afflicted by cancer and inspiring hope within the community.

# Recognition & Gratitude

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Thank you to all our supporters and partners

## Beneficiary Activation Sponsors



## October Breast Cancer Corporate Wellness Days



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## The 5th Combined Gulf Cancer Conference

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