

OUR STORY

Nancy Owens was a highly respected Houston real estate broker who battled breast cancer three times over 20 years. During her journey, she expressed a deep desire to raise funds to help others fight this devastating disease. After her passing on September 7, 2001, her friends vowed to continue her mission, leading to the creation of the Nancy Owens Memorial Foundation in 2002.

In 2018, the foundation was renamed the Nancy Owens Breast Cancer Foundation to better reflect its mission. Since then, the foundation has raised millions for breast cancer research. We remain committed to finding a cure and are grateful for your support.



OUR TEAM

The NOBCF Committee is made up of a dedicated team of volunteers, each bringing their expertise to the foundation.

The NOBCF Board of Directors is led by Terri Guerra, Board President and Chairman. Other board members include Amy Bernstein (Fundraising Chair), Jennifer Hernandez, Peggie Kohnert (Secretary), Gloria Moorman(Treasurer), and Mary Piper (Spirit of Courage Chair).

AWARDS

- 2025 Better Business Bureau Awards for Excellence Winner of Distinction
- 2025 Charitable Service Award
 Houston Agent Magazine (Terri Guerra)
- 2022 John E. Wolf Citizenship Cup Award
 Houston Association of Realtors (Terri Guerra)

2021 Accreditation:

- BBB, Charity Navigator, GuideStar Top Rated Charity 2021 – Great Nonprofits
- → 2020 Charitable Service Award Houston Agent Magazine (Terri Guerra)
- 2007 Hope Award for Ambassadorship Susan G. Komen for the Cure
- → 2006 John E. Wolf Citizenship Cup Award Houston Association of Realtors (NOBCF Foundation)
- → 2002 John E. Wolf Citizenship Cup Award Houston Association of Realtors (Amy Bernstein, Chairman 2002 - 2019)
- → 2001 John E. Wolf Citizenship Cup Award Houston Association of Realtors (Nancy Owens)

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WHY CHOOSE US

The Nancy Owens Breast Cancer Foundation is organized to fund one or more qualified public charities that support research to find a cure for breast cancer.

- Your contribution to NOBCF supports critical research and connects you to a community committed to fighting breast cancer.
- 100% of our funds remain right here in Houston.
- We stay in close contact with top local doctors to ensure our contributions drive progress toward a breast cancer cure.
- We are a volunteer-driven organization, ensuring that every dollar donated goes directly to supporting cancer research.









Each October, NOBCF hosts its Annual Signature Luncheon and Auction, one of Houston's most impactful and uplifting philanthropic gatherings.

FASHION FOR THE CURE









Fashion for the Cure brings together a vibrant crowd for designer fashion, boutique shopping, entertainment, and community.

SWING FOR THE CURE

Returning in 2026 is our Swing for the Cure Golf Tournament. Join us for fun-filled day on the course.



For more information about our events, visit www.NOBCF.org

PROJECTS FOLLOWED

LESTER AND SUE SMITH BREAST CANCER **CENTER AT BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE** Xiang Zhang, PhD



Dr. Xiang Zhang and his team at The Lester and Sue Smith Breast Cancer Center are developing liquid biopsy methods to monitor cancer treatments, reducing the need for invasive, costly procedures. These ultrasensitive tests allow physicians to track patient progress every 2-3 weeks.

HOUSTON METHODIST RESEARCH INSTITUTE **ALESSANDRO GRATTONI, PhD**



Dr. Grattoni and Dr. Chua are developing a minimally invasive treatment for triplenegative breast cancer using immunotherapy and nanotechnology. They use tiny devices, smaller than a pencil tip, to trigger an immune response against cancer.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MD ANDERSON CANCER CENTER ISABELLE BEDROSIAN, M.D., FACS



Dr. Bedrosian and her team at MD Anderson are using genomic data and image analysis to identify women at risk for breast cancer and develop a vaccine to prevent it.