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**Local Credit Union Raises $10,000 for the American Lung Association**
*TruWest Credit Union Team Walks to Raise Funds & Awareness*

**TEMPE, Ariz.** – TruWest® Credit Union donated $10,000 to the American Lung Association (ALA) through the Phoenix LUNG Force Walk that was held virtually over a two-week period from Feb. 5 to 19.

TruWest has been a longtime supporter of the ALA. This year, 85 TruWest team members laced up their walking shoes to support the efforts of fundraising and raising awareness of lung health. TruWest was the top fundraising team, supporting the total funds raised of more than $86,000.

“Thanks in part to the important work of the American Lung Association, the survival rate of lung cancer patients has increased from 13% to over 22% over the last five years,” said Alan Althouse, president and CEO of TruWest Credit Union. “We are proud to support this lifesaving work, and we applaud the whole community on yet another successful fundraising walk.”

Every two minutes and 14 seconds someone in the U.S. is diagnosed with lung cancer, and four in five of those will ultimately die from the disease. While great strides have been made in survival rates, lung cancer remains the leading cause of cancer deaths among both men and women. The American Lung Association combats lung diseases by conducting lung health education, lifesaving research, other critical programs and services, and through its advocacy.

For more information about TruWest Credit Union’s charitable partnership with the American Lung Association, visit <https://truwest.org/lung/>.

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