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<u>UMassFive Raises over \$16,000 in 2021 for UMass Cancer Center</u>



UMassFive employees, along with their family and friends, joined together at Polar Park as Team UMassFive at the UMass Cancer Walk and Run.

Hadley, MA – UMassFive College Federal Credit Union (UMassFive) is proud to announce that its employees have raised over \$16,000 for the UMass Cancer Center through participation in the 23rd annual UMass Cancer Walk and Run at Polar Park in Worcester.

A longstanding and top supporter of this event for over 20 years, UMassFive employees join together annually as "Team UMassFive" to raise funds for the cause, both personally and in branch locations. In 2021, fundraising efforts included the Hadley Branch hosting their annual 'Crafting for a Cure Boutique,' where employees donated artwork, jewelry, and other hand-crafted treasures which were sold in the branch lobby. Other branch efforts included raffle baskets, bake sales, candy sales, and jewelry sales. UMassFive debit cardholders were welcomed to redeem their 'Buzz Points' as a charitable donation

to UMass Cancer Walk and Run. Donations were also sought from Credit Union corporate partners, whose support helps bolster efforts each year. Including the funds raised so far in 2021, Team UMassFive is proud to have raised over \$158,000 in donations to the UMass Cancer Center over the lifetime of their participation.

"Cancer is something that touches nearly every family in some way," said Cait Murray, Community Outreach Manager at UMassFive. "Our employees participate in the Cancer Walk each year because it's near to their hearts, and they know the funds will support local cancer research and clinical trials at the UMass Cancer Center in Worcester. The generosity of our employees, members, and community is truly astounding, and makes such a big impact in the fight for a cure."

Anyone who wishes to support Team UMassFive may donate before the end of 2021 by visiting support.umasscancerwalk.org/teamumassfive.

The UMassFive College Federal Credit Union was established in 1967 and serves the University of Massachusetts as well as the Five College System and over 50 other non-profits, co-ops, and municipalities. As a non-profit financial cooperative, earnings are returned to UMassFive's membership in the form of better rates, lower fees, and improved services. UMassFive has over 44,000 members, six branches, and assets of over \$615 million. For more information about UMassFive College Federal Credit Union, please visit www.umassfive.coop.

