

A wide-angle photograph of Redondo Beach, showing the sandy shore, the ocean with waves, and a hillside with houses in the background.

LOS ANGELES OPEN WATER SWIM

REDONDO BEACH - 10.16.21

"Make Waves to Fight Cancer" with us at the inaugural Swim Across America - Los Angeles Open Water Swim being held on October 16th, 2021 at Veteran's Park, Redondo Beach. The event will benefit local cancer research and clinical trials at UCLA Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Registration is now open! Join us to swim, volunteer or participate virtually through our new SAA My Way program! Click the 'Registration' button below and choose your preferred participation type.

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Our scientific advisory committee is renowned cancer MDs and PhDs with decades of experience in cancer research and clinical trials. They help us select projects and researchers who are the pioneers to curing cancer. Our grant focus is not a specific type of cancer. Rather, we provide seed grants to the projects that present the best opportunities to have a breakthrough. With the data, researchers are then able to apply for additional funding from the National Institute of Health, other foundations, and industry. Our beneficiaries have reported that for every grant dollar they receive from SAA, they are able to secure \$3 in new funding they might not otherwise have received.

In over three decades, Swim Across America has granted close to \$100 million dollars that have led to breakthroughs in immunotherapy, gene therapy, personalized medicine, and patient programs. It is important donors know that our grant agreement requires 100% of SAA grants be applied to approved projects and not other things such as overhead and buildings.

There are nine named Swim Across America research labs demonstrating the commitment and partnership of the beneficiary and Swim Across America.