



## Fact Sheet

The California Breast Cancer Research Program (CBCRP) was established pursuant to passage by the California Legislature of the 1993 Breast Cancer Act (i.e., AB 2055 (B. Friedman) [Chapter 661, Statutes of 1993] and AB 478 (B. Friedman) [AB 478, Statutes of 1993]). The program is responsible for administering funding for breast cancer research in the State of California.

The mission of the CBCRP is to eliminate breast cancer by leading innovation in research, communication, and collaboration in the California scientific and lay communities.

- The CBCRP is the largest state-funded research effort in the nation and is administered by the University of California, Office of the President
- The CBCRP is funded through a tobacco tax, voluntary tax contributions on personal income tax forms, and individual donations
- Ninety-five percent of our revenue goes directly to funding research and education efforts
- The CBCRP involves advocates and scientists in every aspect of CBCRP decision-making including program planning and grant application review
- Since 1994, the CBCRP has awarded over \$205 million in 860 grants to 98 institutions across the state. With continued investment, the CBCRP will work to find better ways to prevent, treat and cure breast cancer.
- The tax check-off, included on the personal income tax form since 1993, has drawn over \$7 million for breast cancer research and funded 51 grants
- The CBCRP funds studies investigating basic breast cancer biology, causes and prevention of breast cancer, innovative treatments and ways to live well following a breast cancer diagnosis
- The CBCRP supports new approaches that other agencies may be reluctant to support, such as research on cow viruses, Tibetan herbs, and snake venom