



Fact Sheet
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Health, Wellbeing and relationships **Understanding Cancer**

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The Cancer Council South Australia is a non-government charity that had its origins in 1928. In this state alone, 20 people are diagnosed with cancer every day. The Cancer Council aims to reduce the impact of cancer through increased education and awareness, cancer prevention and early detection, support and information for people living with cancer and by dedicating more than \$2 million each year to fund world-class cancer research.

As a community-based organisation, The Cancer Council depends on the generosity of caring South Australians. This support comes through community fundraising initiatives, general donations, bequests and major fundraising events. Among these are Daffodil Day, Pink Ribbon Day, Race for Life, Relay for Life, Country Doorknock, Girls Night In and Australia's Biggest Morning Tea.

Volunteers play a major role in our work, with over 3,000 South Australians involved in our support services, fundraising and administration.

For the cost of a local call, The Cancer Council Cancer Helpline 13 11 20 provides a gateway to The Cancer Council's many services and programs. Trained staff can provide confidential, non-medical information and support about all aspects of cancer, including a wide range of literature, some in other languages.

Other services include Cancer Connect, a peer support program, affordable accommodation for country people having cancer treatment, financial and respite assistance.

The Cancer Council South Australia is a member of The Cancer Council Australia and is affiliated with the International Union Against Cancer (UICC).

For more information about how the The Cancer Council South Australia provides real help to those affected by cancer, phone the Cancer Helpline 13 11 20, or visit www.cancersa.org.au.