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Dear Potential Grantees:

The Southwest Michigan Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure® is proud to announce the availability of grant funds for fiscal year 2009-2010. Applications for breast cancer and breast health programs from nonprofit organizations, governmental agencies and educational institutions in Allegan, Berrien, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Kalamazoo, and Van Buren counties are eligible for funding.

The promise of Susan G. Komen for the Cure is to save lives and end breast cancer forever by empowering people, ensuring quality care for everyone and energizing science to find the cure. The Organization runs one of the most innovative, responsive grant programs in breast cancer today. Our Affiliate is proud to have sent Komen headquarters \$38,850 for research in 2007-2008. In addition to funding research, the Affiliate funds non-duplicative, community-based breast health education and breast cancer screening and treatment projects for the medically underserved in Allegan, Berrien, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Kalamazoo, and Van Buren counties. In 2008, we funded over \$180,000 to local community programs.

Our grant cycle runs from April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2009. Eligible applications must be postmarked by 5:00 p.m. on November 14, 2008. Announcements of funding will be made on March 1, 2009.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Julie Betzler by phone 269 615-7816 or email juliebetzler@lifestorynet.com and/or Sarah Simpson by phone 269 352-8234 or email ajs3674@tds.net

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Julie Betzler / Sarah Simpson
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The greatest risk factors for
breast cancer are being female
and growing older.