



July 2021

Dear Friend,

Please join us along with Honorary Chairs Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long and Rep. Mike Ramone for the **11th Teal Ribbon 5K to Fight Ovarian Cancer** on Saturday morning, September 18, 2021. Our new location is St. Peter the Apostle Parish School located at 515 Harmony Street in Historic Old New Castle, Delaware.

The Delaware Ovarian Cancer Foundation (DOCF) experienced a major loss in fundraising in 2020. Having canceled our 5K because of the Covid virus, it is important to hold this 2021 DOCF fundraiser event to support our mission.

With the Covid restrictions that were in force, our traditional first Sunday in May was too risky for an in-person event. Therefore, we decided to hold our 2021 DOCF Teal Ribbon Run-Walk in September, which is National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month.

Registration is open at [races2run.com](https://www.races2run.com) and can also be accessed on the DOCF website [deovariancancer.org](https://www.deovariancancer.org). There is a virtual option as well.

To date, there is still **no reliable screening** method to diagnose ovarian cancer, the deadliest of all gynecologic cancers. Most women are diagnosed with late stage disease and a poor prognosis. Please visit our website for more information on this insidious women's disease.

**DOCF continues to support ovarian cancer research being conducted at the Helen F. Graham Cancer Center & Research Institute through a renewable two- year grant, *The Delaware Ovarian Cancer Foundation Research Initiative*. Therefore, it is more crucial than ever to support the 5K, our major annual fundraiser.**

Attached are forms including a flyer, *all* sponsorship levels and other options in support of this event. If you have sponsored our 5K in the past, we hope that you will sponsor it again this year and even **consider an increase** to support our local research grant, the ***Delaware Ovarian Cancer Foundation Research Initiative***. **Please help us reach our goal of \$50,000!**

Contact us at [DOCF5K@deovariancancer.org](mailto:DOCF5K@deovariancancer.org) or 302-998-6889/302-740-1574 if you have any questions. Please post the flyer at your business location, preferably in a high traffic area.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

William Short  
2021 Teal Ribbon 5K Event Director

Dorianne Short  
President/Survivor

The Delaware Ovarian Cancer Foundation is the premier local all-volunteer driven 501(c)(3) charity organization in Delaware and the surrounding area. (Tax I.D. #27-1158450).

*The DOCF mission is three-fold: to increase awareness and education about ovarian cancer among women and healthcare professionals in Delaware and the surrounding vicinity; a commitment to research to ultimately find a diagnostic screening; and to provide support for women affected by ovarian cancer.*