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THE STEP SISTERS EXPAND SERVICES TO FAIRFAX COUNTY

Support for Breast Cancer Patients Extended to Two Additional Hospitals

BRAMBLETON, Virginia (April 7, 2015) - The Step Sisters are proud to announce that they have expanded their reach throughout Northern Virginia, after signing agreements with Inova Fair Oaks and Fairfax Hospitals. The arrangement enables the group to provide support services to breast cancer patients currently undergoing treatment. The Step Sisters signed their first agreement with Inova Loudoun in early 2014.

“We are so pleased to be able to reach more breast cancer patients in the Northern Virginia area,” explains Angela Fuentes, President of The Step Sisters. “Today is an important step forward in our mission.”

As parents, children and siblings of breast cancer patients and in some cases survivors themselves, members of The Step Sisters raise funds to provide quality-of-life services such as transportation, house cleaning, fresh food delivery, child care and lawn services. By partnering with local leading hospitals, the group is able to match service to patient need.

Today’s agreement will be rolled out in two phases with services provided immediately to Loudoun County patients treated at Inova Fair Oaks and Fairfax Hospitals. The second phase will follow shortly thereafter and will include patients from all neighboring counties.

“The Step Sisters bring an important component to patient care,” says Gale Towery, Oncology Nurse Navigator at Inova Fair Oaks Hospital. “Practical support services take away some of the day-to-day worry, allowing patients to focus on their treatment and their health,” adds Lianne Tedesco, Oncology Nurse Navigator at Inova Fairfax Hospital.

ABOUT THE STEP SISTERS

Founded in 2005, the Step Sisters work to improve the quality of life for those impacted by breast cancer. Partnering with local hospitals, the group funds needed support services that directly benefit patients throughout Northern Virginia.

A 501c3 non-profit organization, the Step Sisters hold several fundraising events with their largest, the Ribbon Run attracting nearly 2,000 participants to Brambleton annually.

For more information about the Step Sisters, please visit www.stepsisters.org.