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Gas Card Program for Lung Cancer Patients

The Gas Card Program began in April 2013 as part of the Lung Cancer Initiative's Access to Care Program. It was a lung cancer survivor and board member's vision "to find a tangible way to support patients on a very local level."

The Gas Card Program is one way the Initiative directly implements their mission to save lives and provide support to those affected by lung cancer through research, awareness, education and access programs across North Carolina.

Patients seeking lung cancer treatment can apply for a \$50 gas card by completing a short application and getting a signature from the facility where they are receiving treatment. Once the application is received and processed, the gas card is mailed directly to the patient's home address. Patients can apply every four months. Currently, gas cards are only distributed to residents of North Carolina.

Since 2014, we have provided over 1,700 gas cards to patients across the state.

The Lung Cancer Initiative is grateful for the support of over 50 cancer treatment centers in North Carolina that share this resource with their patients. The Gas Card Program could not be successful without their partnership.

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Download the application now at
www.lungcancerinitiativenc.org/patient-access-to-care

"The gas card program lets patients know that there are good people that do not know them personally attempting to lessen their burden in some small way. The gas cards are appreciated as much as a huge hospital bill being paid as it is a form of sincere thoughtful and intentional support. Showing compassion is what helps many patients continue to survive day to day. It is received with much gratitude." – Patient Advocate

"I would like to thank you for the gas card. Considering how difficult and stressful a lung cancer diagnosis is, a little sunshine goes a long way. This gas card made a difference in my life and helped me to and from my treatments. My family and I are truly humbled and grateful for your generosity. Sometimes the simplest things mean the most." – Gas card recipient