

Volley for the Cure™ was started by two friends in 2006 to bring awareness to breast cancer. A Volley for the Cure™ match is a regular season high school volleyball match that is designated as an awareness and fundraising match. The goal is to pack the stands with Pink! Players, coaches, parents and schools are encouraged to get involved! Fundraising generated through a Volley for the Cure™ event will be donated to the local Susan G. Komen for the Cure® Affiliate, working to save lives and end breast cancer forever by empowering people, ensuring quality care for all and energizing science to find the cures. Early detection saves lives in the fight against breast cancer. By encouraging early education and awareness for the young women

participating in Volley for the Cure™ events, we are working as a community towards the future, and towards a world without breast cancer.

The Volley for the Cure™ program continues to grow. Matches are held in all corners of Ohio, and the idea is being replicated across the nation. To date, over 40,000 volleyball players have participated in Volley for the Cure™. During the 2013 season we surpassed \$2 million dollars raised to support local Susan G. Komen for the Cure® affiliates in the fight against breast cancer. As participation in the Volley for the Cure™ events increases, so does awareness of this terrible disease and the importance of education for all women and girls.

Coaches 4 Coaches

Former Toledo Central Catholic volleyball coach Missy Belcher and current Dublin Coffman volleyball coach Mary Ann Souder have impacted thousands of student-athletes' lives while on the sideline. Now, it is their lives that are being impacted by Coaches 4 Coaches, an organization established by Tiffin Columbian coach Bill Bonham and Findlay coach Bob Moran to help raise money for other coaches in need.

Established in response to the tragic passing in 2013 of Firelands High School teacher and volleyball coach Jim Muth, Coaches 4 Coaches has organized two consecutive summer volleyball tournaments and raised over \$18,000 to donate to coaches in need of assistance. Belcher, a coach for 14 years who was diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), was the 2013 candidate for assistance and the 60+ team tournament in July was such a success that Coaches 4 Coaches was able to give Missy and her family a check for \$10,000. The goal for 2014 was dual purpose, to make an annual donation to Jim Muth's kids and to assist Souder, who's 2-year-old son, Liam, is fighting cancer. After another very successful July tournament, Coaches 4 Coaches presented Coach Souder with a check for \$7,500 on September 10, 2014, which was also the one-year anniversary of Liam being diagnosed with cancer.

Next year's tournament will be July 10-11, 2015 in Findlay, Ohio. The cost is \$200 per team and each team will play 10 games. For more information about the organization or tournament you can contact coaches4coaches@gmail.com or find them on Facebook.



Upper Arlington



Hopewell-Loudon

West Chester Lakota West Volley for the Cure



In one of the biggest Volley for the Cure events in Ohio, West Chester Lakota West has raised over \$60,000 and sold more than 12,000 t-shirts during the last six years for the Susan G. Komen Foundation. During the event, the Atrium Medical Center was

on site to answer any questions and provide materials to educate and raise awareness in the fight against breast cancer. Returning this year was the Mercy Health mobile mammography van (pictures above).

