



Celebrating 25 years of giving hope a home in Worcester

In February of 1985, the American Cancer Society opened the Hope Lodge® at 7 Oak Street in Worcester, Massachusetts, to provide free, temporary lodging for cancer patients undergoing treatment at medical facilities in Boston and Worcester.



- From the beginning, Hope Lodge Worcester has been supported entirely by the generous contributions of our donors.
- In its first year, the Hope Lodge provided 291 days of lodging for 53 cancer patients and family members who traveled to Massachusetts for treatments not available at home.
- Over the past 25 years, Hope Lodge Worcester has provided an estimated 59,000 nights of lodging to cancer patients from around the nation.
- Volunteer drivers have logged thousands of miles providing free transportation to and from treatment for Hope Lodge Worcester guests. Since 2005, drivers have completed more than 3,700 round trips to medical facilities in Boston and Worcester.
- Hope Lodge Worcester was the first facility of its kind to serve both adults and children.
- Hope Lodge Worcester is a home away from home for cancer patients undergoing treatment at the city's world-class medical institutions.
- The Lodge can accommodate eight cancer patients plus their caregivers at any one time.
- Guests at Hope Lodge Worcester have access to the full array of American Cancer Society programs and services, including the 72,000 resources in the Society's Cancer Resource Connection database, and local Society programs such as Look Good. . .Feel Better® and I Can Cope®.
- Since 2005, Hope Lodge Worcester has provided an estimated 13,500 free nights of lodging to cancer patients and their caregivers, saving the guests an estimated \$1.2 million.
- Since opening the first Hope Lodge in 1970, the American Cancer Society has expanded to offer free temporary lodging for cancer patients and their caregivers in 900 rooms at 29 locations in the United States and Puerto Rico.
- Nationwide, the American Cancer Society provided Hope Lodge services to 50,000 patients and caregivers last year, saving them more than \$19 million in lodging costs during their cancer treatments.

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