

MEET OUR SOCIAL WORKERS



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Mark Your Calendar!

Giving Day - April 22 - 23, 2026

Save The Date: 04.22.26 - 04.23.26

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**1,896
minutes
to give.**

**ADELPHI UNIVERSITY
GIVING DAY 04.22.26 - 04.23.26**



Giving Day is **April 22 - 23, 2026**. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS** - This Giving Day, support the Adelphi Breast Cancer Program by making a donation -- this is an opportunity to celebrate our volunteers and their contributions to those battling breast cancer.

Trip to Albany - February 5, 2026

2026 Legislative Visits



On February 5, 2026 the Adelpi NY Statewide Breast Cancer Hotline & Support Program traveled to Albany to discuss the lifesaving resources we provide throughout the state. We appreciate the time and leadership of our elected officials and their legislative staff. Since 1980, our program has provided community outreach, licensed social work services, health referrals and hope to thousands of New Yorkers diagnosed with breast cancer.

Pictured Above

- (1) Adelpi Breast Cancer Program staff.
- (2) Met with Chris Stazio, Chief of Staff to Senator Anthony Palumbo.
- (3) Met with Senator Gustavo Rivera and Senate Fellow Claire Yost.
- (4) Met with Meg Brown in Senator Jack Martins's office.
- (5) Met with James Cuddy, Director of Operations in Senator Monica R. Martinez's office.
- (6) Met with Timothy Berguson, Legislative Director in Senator Patricia Canzoneri-Fitzpatrick's office.
- (7) I love NY display.

The STEP Program Video Series



The STEP Program

The Adelphi NY Statewide Breast Cancer Hotline & Support Program was awarded a significant five-year grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to initiate the **Survivorship, Treatment, Education and Peer Support (STEP) Program** which provides psychosocial support services and referrals to improve the quality of life for young women diagnosed with breast cancer, MBC patients and their families.

The STEP Program also provides educational workshops and forums, provider education and a video series.

In our upcoming Spanish-language STEP video, **Karla M. Giboyeaux**, Level II Clinical Dietitian Nutritionist at the **MSK Ralph Lauren Center**, talks about how she supports oncology patients in optimizing their nutrition during treatment. She has a special interest in community nutrition and healthy cooking. Karla earned her degree from the University of Puerto Rico and her master's from New York University. She is a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist and Certified Dietitian Nutritionist in New York State.

[STEP Program videos!](#)

The Warriors Book Club Meeting

April 6, 2026

The Daughters of Shandong *by Eve J. Chung*

[Click here](#) to register

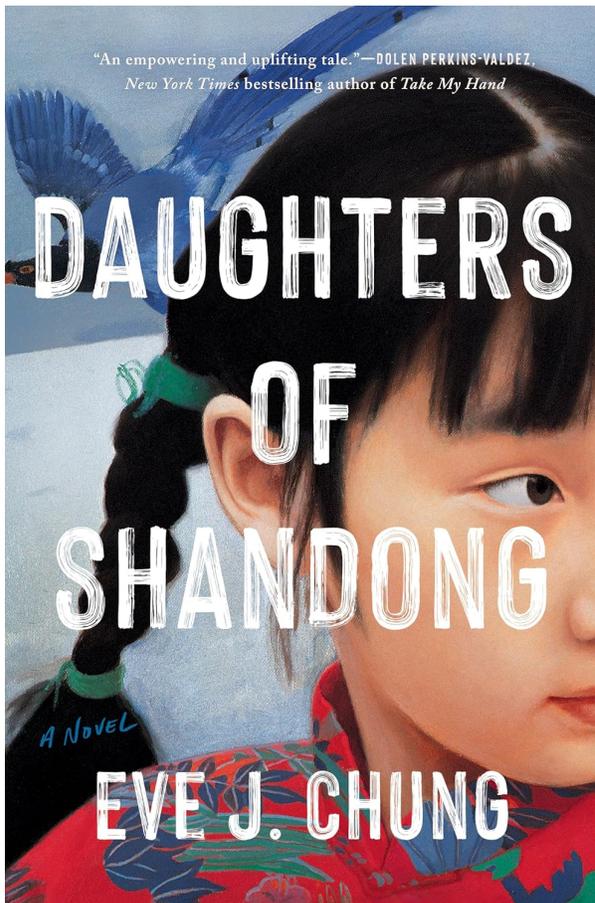


Participation in our **Warriors Book Club** will provide you with a wonderful, feel-good, uplifting and inspirational experience! The purpose of the Warriors Book Club is to support people in the community impacted by Breast Cancer.

Monday, April 6, 2026

Join us on zoom from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm (ET)

On **April 6th** we will be discussing the book **The Daughters of Shandong** by **Eve J. Chung**.



Daughters of Shandong is a historical fiction novel about a mother and her three daughters in soon-to-be communist China. Chung's debut novel is a hopeful and powerful story about the resilience of women; the enduring love between mothers, daughters, and sisters; and the sacrifices made to lift up future generations.

REGISTRATION:

[Click here](#) to register for our **April 6, 2026** Warriors Book Club Meeting on zoom.

* One week prior to the book club meeting you will receive the zoom link in an email.

Did you miss our February forum?

Addressing The Needs of People Living With **METASTATIC BREAST CANCER:**

A Conversation with
Vered Stearns, MD, FASCO



On February 10, 2026, **Vered Stearns, MD, FASCO**, Director for Translational Breast Cancer Research and Interim Chief of Breast Medical Oncology from Weill Cornell Medicine spoke about the needs of patients with metastatic breast cancer.

Dr. Stearns addressed key topics related to metastatic breast cancer care, including emerging treatments, quality-of-life considerations, and how patients can best partner with their care teams. Dr. Stearns was joined by **Ms. Christine Hodgdon**, Patient Advocate, who discussed the role of patients as research advocates and collaborators, and how patient perspectives can shape research, clinical practice, and healthcare systems.

[Click here](#) to watch the video

**In order for us to better serve you and continue offering educational forums, please take a moment to fill out our evaluation form after watching the video.

THANK YOU! [Evaluation Form](#)

If you have missed any of our past forums, please visit our [YouTube](#) channel to watch the videos.

Our forums are sponsored by
The Junior Coalition of the Manhasset Women's Coalition Against Breast Cancer, and
Northwell Health Cancer Institute

Support Groups



See our [support group schedule](#)

To participate in one of the listed support groups please call our Hotline at **800.877.8077** or email breastcancerhotline@adelphi.edu to pre-register.

All groups are free but registration is required. All groups are facilitated by a licensed social worker.

If you are interested in a support group or service that is not listed, please contact Angela Papalia LMSW: apapalia@adelphi.edu.

All groups are facilitated by a licensed social worker of the Adelphi Breast Cancer Program. These programs are supported by grants from the Alpern Family Foundation, Cooperative Agreement DP 24-0061 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Kat's Ribbon of Hope, Marilyn Lichtman Foundation, New York State, Northwell Health Cancer Institute and Pink Aid.

Drop-In Support Group – Virtual
Young Women's Drop-In Support Group – Under 45 years of age *Virtual

This group will address the unique needs of young women with breast cancer and will meet via zoom.

For more information and to register, please contact Lois Goetz LMSW at: 516.877.4347 or goetz@adelphi.edu.

Drop-In Support Group – Virtual

Newly Diagnosed Drop-In Support Group – *Virtual*

This group is for women who are newly diagnosed with breast cancer and will meet via zoom.

For more information and to register, please contact Angela Papalia LMSW at: 516.877.4329 or apapalia@adelphi.edu.

Drop-In Support Group – Virtual

Hormone Therapy Drop-In Support Group – *Virtual*

Ongoing, monthly support group will meet via zoom. This support group is for breast cancer patients and survivors who are currently on hormone therapy (as adjuvant therapy).

For more information and to register, please contact Angela Papalia LMSW at: 516.877.4329 or apapalia@adelphi.edu.

Ongoing Support Group – Virtual

Stage 4 Breast Cancer Support Group – *Virtual*

Men and women with Stage 4 Metastatic Breast Cancer are welcome to join an ongoing twice-monthly group via zoom to share information, feelings, hopes and coping strategies.

For more information and to register, please contact Lois Goetz, LMSW, ACSW at: 516.877.4347 or goetz@adelphi.edu.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR SPANISH SPEAKING WOMEN

Cafecito - *Virtual*

A Spanish-language support group for breast cancer patients and survivors. This group meets every other week via zoom.

Cafecito

Un grupo de apoyo para pacientes y sobrevivientes de Cancer del seno.

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In The News

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February 9, 2026

Providing Hope and Support:

Adelphi's Breast Cancer Support Program and Hotline

By: Merlyn Varghese - The Delphian

For over 40 years there has been a program at Adelphi University offering strength to individuals battling breast cancer. Through a confidential hotline, support programs and an educational video series, Adelphi's Breast Cancer Support Program and Hotline has offered hope and support for individuals no matter the challenges they face.

[Read the full article](#)

Newsday - LI People On The Move



We Are Hiring!

Apply today to join our amazing team



Hotline & Volunteer Supervisor

The **Adelphi NY Statewide Breast Cancer Hotline & Support Program** is seeking a compassionate and experienced professional to join our team as a Hotline & Volunteer Supervisor.

This hybrid position (typically 2 days on site / 3 days remote) plays a critical role in overseeing our Breast Cancer Hotline and Volunteer Program while providing licensed counseling and support to individuals and families impacted by breast cancer across New York State.

Key Responsibilities Include:

- Oversight of Hotline services and statewide outreach
- Recruitment, training, and supervision of volunteers
- Providing psychosocial support to clients
- Facilitating English-language support groups and survivorship programming
- Collaborating with hospitals, healthcare providers, and community partners
- Participating in educational forums, outreach events, and fundraising initiatives

Qualifications:

MSW with LMSW required

Minimum of 7-years of relevant experience

Strong clinical, leadership, and communication skills

Experience supervising staff and volunteers

Valid driver's license and vehicle

Salary Range: \$65,000 – \$75,000 annually (grant-funded)

Benefits: Adelphi University offers a comprehensive benefits package

This role reports to the Assistant Director, Breast Cancer Program and offers the opportunity to make a meaningful impact by supporting individuals navigating breast cancer while leading a dedicated volunteer community.

[Click here](#) to learn more and apply through Adelphi University's careers page.

Lets Stay in Touch!

Follow us on Social Media and online to see photos of our wonderful volunteers at our outreach events, stay up-to-date on programs, forums and support groups. Read news articles and new studies on breast cancer, read inspiring stories from our volunteers, watch our events live on facebook and see the wonderful people and businesses that support us.





SOCIAL MEDIA



[facebook](#), [X](#), [linkedin](#), [instagram](#), [youtube](#)

Support Us

There are many ways for you to be involved with the Adelphi NY Statewide Breast Cancer Hotline & Support Program.

As a statewide, not-for-profit organization, we provide free, bilingual social work services, peer support, and education to the breast cancer community.

Ways You Can Get Involved

We rely on grants and donations to continue our vital work. Without your support, we may not be able to provide these life-saving services to those who need them most.



Donate

Your support matters. By donating to the Adelphi NY Statewide Breast Cancer Hotline & Support Program, you directly contribute to our mission of providing vital services and assistance to individuals, families, and caregivers affected by breast cancer. Every tax-deductible contribution helps us expand our reach, enhance our resources, and provide support to those in need.

[Make A Gift](#)



[Become a Volunteer](#)

Dedicated and professionally trained volunteers are at the heart of everything we do. Our experienced volunteers answer calls to our breast cancer hotline and provide support, resources and referrals across New York State.

[Volunteer Training Information](#)



[Fundraising Initiatives](#)

Get involved to host and/or support us to raise awareness and funds for the Adelpi NY Statewide Breast Cancer Hotline & Support Program.

[Help Raise Funds & Awareness](#)

**The Adelphi Breast Cancer Program
wishes our volunteers
the happiest of birthdays!**



THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SPONSORS

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The Marilyn Lichtman Foundation

Nassau County Office for Housing and Community Development

New York State Department of Health

Northwell Health Cancer Institute

Pink Aid

Please visit our website at adelphi.edu/breast-cancer
Donate to our cause at adelphi.edu/breast-cancer/donate
