



OVARIAN CANCER SYMPTOM AWARENESS.

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Hayward, WI chosen as the location for a Documentary Film Featuring Ovarian Cancer Symptom Awareness (OCSA) entitled:

Ovarian Cancer & Early Detection: The Story of a Northwoods Community Making a Difference

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WHO: The Ovarian Cancer Symptom Awareness Organization (OCSA) requests funding to support a community project. The documentary is written & directed by Lucia Mauro In My Brother's Shoes, Inc. – non-profit film production organization, see <https://www.inmybrothersshoes.org/>

WHAT: An inspiring 50-minute to one-hour documentary about how a community comes together on a grassroots level to foster positive change in the world. At its core, the film is rooted in the vital mission of Ovarian Cancer Symptom Awareness (OCSA) in contributing to an early detection test for ovarian cancer via its collaboration with Penn Vet Working Dog Center's Canine Scent Detection program. But behind the extraordinary OCSA-supported research taking place at Penn Vet is a dynamic and dedicated Hayward, Wisconsin community of volunteers, supporters, veterinarians, artists and business leaders uniting organically to help humanity flourish. Their unique stories and the engaged local camaraderie they've built serve as a model for how communities across America can join forces toward promoting a sense of goodness and respect for society at large.

Because Hayward, Wisconsin has many dimensions, especially during various times of the year, the structure of the film will be one focused on nature and the seasons. As the weather changes, so do the opportunities for community gatherings, events and fundraisers to arise – creating a wide range of ways for individuals to share their talents, skills and strengths toward making a difference. The crew will film the multifaceted Hayward individuals and events during each season (Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall), as well as show the positive results of Dr. Cindy Otto's research and next phase of the project at Penn Vet Working Dog Center.

WHERE: Various locations highlighting the activities in and around the Northwoods featuring animal lovers, artisans, artists, cancer survivors, cross country skiing, farmers, Hayward Farmers Market, fishing, horticulturists, ice fishing, K9 Police Units, local entrepreneurs, lodging, musicians, Ojibwe representatives, philanthropists, performing arts, restaurants, sculptors, song writers, sports activities, tourist attractions, veterinarians, veterans activities, wineries, and writers.

WHEN: February 23-27; May 19-24; August 30-September 9, 2022.

WHY: Each year, over 20,000 women in the U.S. are diagnosed with ovarian cancer and approximately 14,000 women die from the disease. When ovarian cancer is diagnosed and treated in its earliest stages, the survival rate is over 90 percent. OCSA's mission is to expand public awareness about the symptoms of ovarian cancer in an effort to contribute to the early detection of this deadly disease, and by doing so, save lives.

The Film will be premiered at The Park Center in Hayward, WI in 2023. Distribution of the film under the fundraising guidelines of In My Brother's Shoes, Inc: <https://www.inmybrothersshoes.org> could include colleges of veterinary medicine, colleges of medicines, hospitals, medical not for profit organizations, Native American Pow Wows, Wisconsin Tourism Associations, Sports Associations, Fishing Associations, Veterans Associations, Police K9 Units, Medical Not for Profit Organizations

About the Ovarian Cancer Symptom Awareness Organization (OCSA)

OCSA is a Section 501 (c) (3) charitable organization founded in 2010 to educate women and their families about the silent symptoms of ovarian cancer and the need for early detection and treatment. Donations to OCSA are tax deductible as a charitable gift. For questions concerning tax deductibility, please consult a tax advisor. Follow the accomplishments and find key information about this cause on Facebook at OCSAChicago, on Twitter @ocsachicagoorg, or visit www.ovariancancersymptomawareness.org