

2024 Highlights: Your Gift in Action



Thank you for your support! The impact you've had on those with liver disease is tremendous. Here's a snapshot of just some of the programs and initiatives your support helped make possible in 2024.



4,000 people reached through our Toll Free Help Line



210 people attended LIVERight Forums in Calgary, Ottawa & Vancouver



We reached 8,640 people who took our Liver Health Quiz



745 students participated in the LIVERight School Program

You helped us bring liver health education into schools

Last year saw the launch of the LIVERight School Program - a new liver health education program aimed at students in Grades 4-12. This fun, interactive workshop teaches students the importance of liver health and how they can keep their body (and their liver!) healthy and strong. With liver disease on the rise across Canada, education and prevention is vital - especially amongst our youth. Your support makes this program possible and is just one way you're providing a brighter future for the next generation.

Finding liver damage faster - thanks to you

We know that all too often, liver disease is difficult to detect due to its silent symptoms. Patients who receive a liver disease diagnosis are often in the advanced stages of the disease, making treatment difficult or even impossible. The Liver Beware Fibroscan Screening Project aims to change that. Since 2022, donors like you have been helping to advance this vital, one-of-a-kind research project, and ensure even more people can receive screening for liver damage and disease. In 2024, nearly 2,500 individuals were screened thanks to your support, informing patients of excess fat in the liver, fibrosis, and cirrhosis.

You're educating and empowering liver patients and their caregivers



Thanks to your incredible support, Liver Canada was able to host LIVERight Forums in three Canadian cities in 2024 (Vancouver, Calgary & Ottawa). These informative sessions not only raise awareness about liver disease, but foster better dialogue among liver experts, healthcare professionals, patients and their caregivers.

Topics included:

- Transplants
- Hepatitis, cirrhosis, cancer, MASLD & biliary atresia
- Mental health
- Exercise & nutrition



What's next in research? You helped us uncover the answer.

In 2024, Liver Canada conducted a research audit, to help guide funding priorities for 2025 and beyond. With your help, we discovered the below key findings:

Identified funding gaps:

Areas like British Columbia, the Atlantic provinces, and the territories face considerable liver health challenges, but have not yet received the attention they need.

Diseases that need more attention:

Some rare, genetic liver diseases are underfunded—like primary biliary cholangitis (PBC) and primary sclerosing cholangitis (PSC). There's opportunity to invest and advance more impactful research in these disease areas.

Emerging areas of interest:

There's incredible potential for new, exciting research in the areas of metabolic dysfunction-associated fatty liver disease (MAFLD), viral hepatitis, liver cancer, and rare diseases.