



## **NAMED GRANT Award**

The naming of a grant from earlier.org – Friends for an Earlier Breast Cancer Test® is an honor that has been designated on sixteen occasions over the course of our 22-year history. This honor is the most prestigious recognition that can be awarded by this non-profit organization. It is a tribute to acknowledge service, loyalty, and support to earlier.org that demonstrates the pinnacle of commitment.

### **NAMED GRANTS HAVE BEEN AWARDED IN HONOR AND IN MEMORY OF:**

Mandy LeBeau  
Dr. Murray Abrams & Dr. Ken Karb  
Kathryn Nichols Secrist  
The Karl & Val Stressman Family  
The Atlantic Coast Conference Women's Basketball Tournament  
Connor House – Davidson College & Kappa Kappa Gamma – Epsilon Gamma  
Neil Maddux Miller  
Aetna  
LabCorp  
Panera Bread  
Ralph Lauren  
Joseph M. Bryan, Jr.  
Doris Tanger  
Davenport, Marvin, Joyce, & Co. PLLC & DMJ Wealth Advisors  
Stoney Creek Ladies Golf Association Pink Ribbon Rally

2017: Physicians Grant

In the world of medical research, few, if any, endorsements rise to the level of being validated and supported by the professional medical community. We are most fortunate that this year, the President of our Board of Directors is not only a member of an esteemed medical community, but she is a breast cancer survivor as well. Dr. Laura Lomax writes, *“Over the nine years I’ve been on the board for this organization, I have seen the sophistication of the grant proposals steadily increase, and now with the explosion of genetic and immunologic research, I really feel we are soon to have an earlier biologic test for breast cancer, one that will save lives and the morbidity that comes with cancers caught much later.”* As a physician, every one of the persons named on this grant have personally cared for so many whose lives have been forever altered or ended because of breast cancer or other conditions or ailments. They personally and professionally know not only with their minds, but with their hearts, how important it is that we fund research to find an earlier biologic test for this disease. This is a gift given to earlier.org that goes far beyond dollars and cents, and it is humbly received. We are honored to name the **2017 Research Grant the “Physicians Grant”** in honor of and with gratitude to the group of amazing medical professionals who made this possible.