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More than 15,000 pink-clad walkers and runners participate in Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure



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ore than 15,000 walkers and runners wearing pink took part in the 25th annual Susan G. [Komen](#) Orange County Race for the Cure on Sunday in Newport Beach.


Participants laced up their shoes for the 5k run and walk around the Fashion Island shopping center. A kids one-mile fun run and a [breast cancer](#) survivor parade also took place.

This year's race had more than 445 teams; the largest was the 330-member First American Caring For Our Community team, according to a news release.

Event organizers said Monday that they expect to meet their fundraising goal of more than \$2 million, which will be used to aid breast cancer awareness, education and services.

"We were truly blown away by the support of all those who share our dream of one day living in a world without breast cancer," said Lisa Wolter, executive director of Komen Orange County. "As we celebrate 25 years, this race marks a special milestone for our organization and the breast health community — decreased mortality rates, better treatment options and more local breast health resources — but there is still so much left to do in our communities."

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The 2016 Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure


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Runners cover the last few yards of the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.

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Cancer survivor Cynthia Roberson celebrates with face paint at the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.

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Race announcer Andrea Koorman addresses the crowd before the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.



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Janet Kulbeck and Nancy Guild, representing Bookvillas, march sporting pink parasols and tutus during the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.



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Daion Taiko drummers from the Orange County Buddhist Church keep up a beat for race participants during the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.



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Sunrise shines on competitors waiting for the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.



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The one-mile fun run begins as children stretch the barrier sponsored by Knott's Berry Farm during the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.



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Race committee member Sylvana Camarero, right, and participants in the cancer survivors parade mount the steps of the Pacific Life Building during the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.



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Marissa Bueno gives a pre-race hug in the canteen at the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.



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Competitors make a leisurely start at the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.



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Race committee member Sylvana Camarero arranges roses for the cancer survivors parade at the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.



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Cancer survivors parade participants gather on the steps of the Pacific Life Building at the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.



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Cancer survivors are assisted up the steps of the Pacific Life Building at the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure at Newport Beach on Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016.



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