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CPRIT IS TEXANS CONQUERING CANCER

CPRIT (Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas) was created when Texans voted in 2007 to invest $3 billion in the state’s historic fight against cancer.

On November 5, 2019, Texas voters overwhelmingly approved a constitutional amendment to provide an additional $3 billion to CPRIT for a total $6 billion investment in cancer research and prevention.

CPRIT has invested in 1,504 cancer research and prevention projects across Texas at:

- 34 institutions
- 38 community organizations
- 40 companies

- 200 distinguished researchers recruited to Texas, including 2018 Nobel Prize winner Jim Allison
- $3.26 billion raised by companies after CPRIT invested
- 24,600 cancer and cancer precursors detected, with 1.4 million screenings and diagnostics
- 140 clinical studies serving 23,850 patients
- 6.2 million prevention services provided in all 254 counties
- 12% of grant funding supports childhood cancer projects
- 167 awards totaling $292 million
- 3 NCI comprehensive cancer centers, 2 added due to CPRIT investments
- $1.42 billion in direct expenditures generated by CPRIT activities annually
- 10,125 permanent jobs in 2019 resulting from CPRIT operations and programs

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“I believe that CPRIT will change the cancer research landscape in the United States. In a time of declining federal investment in biomedical research, the resources from CPRIT will make it possible to do things in Texas that are difficult or impossible to do in most other states.”
– CPRIT Scholar and leading expert in pediatric cancer

“The CPRIT women we have diagnosed—we had 4,700 since the CPRIT grant started... It’s very important because these women would have died. They would have not had any access to care and they would have slipped through the cracks.” – Employee of a non-profit organization providing breast cancer screenings

“[CPRIT] is attracting truly first-rate scientists to Texas institutions. That will then drive health care innovation for decades.” – Texas oncologist and public policy expert

“CPRIT was instrumental in enabling us to establish our US operations in Texas... This funding will accelerate development of our [cancer treatment] and, given CPRIT’s deep and broad review, also brings a strong independent validation of our platform and approach.” – CEO of a company that opened its headquarters of U.S. operations in Houston

“Thanks to CPRIT funding we have developed and recently released the new Passport for Care Survivor Website with...tailored guidelines for [a childhood cancer survivor’s] follow up care. This is of major importance for the health of childhood cancer survivors in Texas, the rest of the United States and the whole world as nothing like this has existed before.” – Professor of Pediatrics at a Texas institution