

# The Ride brings in \$300,000 for cancer research

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A recent community biking event in Dane County brought in over \$300,000 to support research at the UW and the Carbone Cancer Center.

The Ride 2017 had more than 1,200 participants, including 325 cancer patients and their families, as well as UW faculty, researchers, doctors and many others.

The route began in Sun Prairie, and branched out into several paths ranging from three miles to 100 miles so that bikers of all skill levels could take part.

“Our mission is to accelerate cancer cures by funding promising research,” says Deric Wheeler, associate professor of human oncology and director of The Ride.

This fundraising event, in its second year, was started by the UW Department of Human Oncology. Money raised goes toward research projects in the form of Ride Scholar Awards and scholarships.

This year’s event more than doubled the amount The Ride raised in 2016, bringing the two-year total to over \$500,000, according to UWCCC spokeswoman Susan Smith.

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