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Sky Foundation Autumn Stroll is Sunday, Sept. 19

- All funding supports pancreatic cancer research
- Event strives to increase awareness of the signs and symptoms

For Immediate Release – July 19, 2021 – Bloomfield Hills, Mich. -- Sky Foundation's annual <u>Autumn Stroll</u> will be Sunday, Sept. 19 at locations around the metro Detroit area and beyond.

The Autumn Stroll is one of <u>Sky Foundation's</u> three annual events to create awareness about pancreatic cancer and fund critical cutting-edge research. Last year's event, during the pandemic, was the Foundation's most successful to date, raising more than \$40,000 with over 550 participants locally, nationally, and internationally.

"Sky supporters from all over gathered in groups, both large and small depending on their comfort level. By continuing to tap into that creativity, we're expecting even greater participation this year." says Terri Smith, co-chair of the 2021 event and a 5-year pancreatic cancer survivor.

"Stroll" can be defined as walking, jogging, running, swimming, biking, picnicking and more. Each team leader can create their own event -- live and virtual -- at the location of their choosing.

"Awareness is key to early detection and treatment, and funding research is how we will improve survival rates." says Co-Chair Veronica Williams-Hernalsteen, a 2-year survivor.

There is no cost to <u>register</u> as a team leader or to join a team. There is a suggested donation of \$25.

Sky Foundation was established in 2008 by Sheila Sky Kasselman following her diagnosis, treatment, and surgery for pancreatic cancer. Today, this 13-year survivor has committed her life and legacy to helping others. The foundation works with researchers in Michigan and around the country to put an end to this disease.

Photos of the 2020 Autumn Stroll can be found on Sky Foundation's <u>Instragram</u> page. For more information on Sky Foundation and the Autumn Stroll, visit: <u>skyfoundationinc.org</u>.