



# Sail Beyond Cancer® Virginia PRIVATE BOAT PARTNERS

Sail Beyond Cancer® Virginia provides free, three-hour, private sails for cancer patients, their caregivers, and loved ones. These special sailing excursions create opportunities for those challenged by cancer to rebuild courage and make lasting memories. Anyone in treatment for any type of cancer, regardless of their age, income level, ethnic background, or other life circumstances is eligible to come sailing with us. Our respite sails bring people together and help ease the stresses, fears, and unknowns that cancer brings to an entire family.

Our primary vessel is *s/v Solace*, a 2016 Beneteau Oceanis 41.1, whose home port is York River Yacht Haven in Gloucester Point. To serve as many individuals in our community as possible, we depend on the generosity of volunteer captains that utilize their personal vessels to host respite sails.



## What's Needed to Become a Private Boat Partner

- A well-maintained vessel, preferably less than 20 years old
- Between 39'-60' in length, with a beam of at least 12' (Smaller vessels may be considered as not all mission sails have 6 guests)
- A cockpit configuration that allows for easy and safe seating for up to 6 passengers
- Ability to accommodate a total of 9 people onboard:
  - 6 guests (our nominee and their loved ones)
  - 3 trained crew members: a Captain, 1st Mate, and an Ambassador

## Sail Commitment & Support

We kindly ask private boat partners to consider offering 6-8 mission sails per season (2026 Sailing Season is April 1 - November 1). However, many owners find such fulfillment in these sails that they choose to offer 10-20 sails each season! Whatever fits your schedule, we are incredibly grateful. We will also provide trained volunteer crew to support you aboard your vessel – you're never alone in this mission.

If you or someone you know might be interested in providing these life-affirming cancer respite sails, please reach out! Your boat can help bring peace, joy, and healing to those who need it most. Together, we can make a difference – One Sail at a Time!

**For more information**, please contact Kim at [kim.sbcva@sailbeyondcancer.org](mailto:kim.sbcva@sailbeyondcancer.org) or 757-202-8337

## Sail Beyond Cancer® Virginia

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