

# *Federally Funded Research Gave Tom a Future*

At 29, just months after moving to California, Tom went to the emergency room struggling to breathe. He was diagnosed with an aggressive stage IV non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and began chemotherapy the next day. Multiple treatment regimens failed. The tumor kept growing. Options were running out.

Tom enrolled in a federally funded clinical trial at UC Davis led by Dr. Joseph Tuscano. The targeted cell therapy brought him into remission and made a stem cell transplant possible.

Now eight years cancer-free, Tom's survival reflects the life-saving power of sustained federal investment in research. The trial not only saved his life, but it also paved the way for future patients facing the same diagnosis.

**//** *If it wasn't for the federal funding of this trial, I wouldn't be here today."*  
— Tom Mungo



**Tom Mungo**

**UC Davis Clinical Trial Participant  
Beneficiary of Federally Funded Research**

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