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MEDICAL MENTION

GATEWAY TO HOPE

Breast cancer knows no socioeconomic boundaries. And for patients who make too much to qualify for government-assisted healthcare but are still underinsured, that can mean landing in serious debt for treatment costs. That's where Gateway to Hope comes in. The nonprofit has simply one goal: to provide comprehensive breast-cancer treatment at no cost to the patient. The program works with a team of 145 healthcare providers who donate their time and services—such as lab testing, surgeries, prescriptions, and chemotherapy—free of charge. To qualify, patients must be diagnosed and meet the financial requirements. Serving strictly Missouri patients, Gateway to Hope is the only non-



profit of its kind in the country. But executive director Cindy Frank says the program plans to expand "so that other people in other states will have access to the same type of care that the patients in Missouri do." —c.s.