

Robes provide comfort to breast cancer patients at Tulane

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The Karen T. Stall Research & Breast Institute donated these robes to make Tulane breast cancer patients feel more comfortable while going undergoing treatments and exams. (Photo by Cheryl Gerber)

Karen T. Stall knows the anxiety and stress that comes with a cancer diagnosis and treatment. A survivor of breast cancer, Stall made it her mission to help other patients going through that same experience. Her foundation, the [Karen T. Stall Research and Breast Institute](#), partners with health care facilities across the Gulf South including Tulane Doctors Breast Cancer Center. The foundation recently donated 113 robes to make Tulane patients feel more comfortable and at ease.

The plush waffle robes are available at Tulane Doctors-Surgical Oncology Northshore Clinic and Tulane Lakeside Hospital. Being surrounded in comfort while in the clinic

has had a significant impact on how patients feel when they are receiving treatments, and some have even commented that they feel relaxed.

"I am so grateful we have these robes," said [Caroline Graham, PA-C](#), an instructor of surgery in the Division of Oncologic Surgery at Tulane University School of Medicine. "Many clinic gowns don't provide full coverage, and these robes are very soft and provide full closure. It's similar to being at a spa or a robe they would wear at home."

Tulane Doctors Breast Cancer Center offers state-of-the-art care for overall breast health. Tulane offers 3D Tomosynthesis imaging, which has become the gold standard for breast cancer screening because it can detect cancer earlier than traditional 2D screening. The Karen T. Stall Research and Breast Institute is focused on making sure all patients have access to this better imaging. You can donate to their mission [here](#).