# The Dish | 2018 in Review

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## On Screen

All of Us Director Eric Dishman on screen.

## Eric Dishman

This year has gone by incredibly fast, but we’ve also had some incredible accomplishments in the *All of Us* Research Program, not the least of which is our May launch. I mean, that was only six-and-a-half months ago, but that was just an amazing experience: to have seven diverse sites around the country really representing the diversity of the communities that we want to focus on, a livestream that went to millions, we enrolled 12,000 people in one week, and we said to the country, “The doors are open. Come to JoinAllofUs.org to learn more and to consider joining this audacious research effort.”

And so many people have done exactly that. They have heeded the call. We have people who have joined from all 50 states. At this point, we’re over 150,000 people who have joined the program in some process. They’re somewhere along the process of joining the program.

Now, just to compare, that was 13,000 at the end of 2017. And as of now, we have over 85,000 people who have finished the entire first version of the protocol.

And we’re doing incredibly well on diversity, which is a fundamental commitment of the program. More than 75% of our participants are underrepresented in biomedical research, and around 50% of those through racial and ethnic diversity, which is a fundamental goal of the program as well.

Some other facts, you know, we’ve had 27 participant partners join all aspects of our governance, helping to shape the future of the program. Dozens of community partners who have done hundreds of events across the United States. We had about a hundred clinics at the end of the last year; now we’ve got over 225 clinics that are reaching people in different parts of the country, and that number continues to grow.

I just think about our mobile journey that goes out and tells the *All of Us* story to communities. It’s travelled to 35 states in 179 days and enrolled 15,000 people. I mean that is a heck of a tour.

And as I’ve talked about more recently in some of the video blogs, we have the three new genome centers on board, becoming part of the *All of Us* family, and we’re moving towards a genetic counseling resource as well.

So an amazing 2018. I want to thank everybody in the consortium and thank all of our participants for your accomplishments to make this end-of-year review so exciting. And I want to wish everybody a happy and safe and festive holiday. And I can’t wait to see you on the other side in the new year.

Happy New Year everybody!

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