What's inside was only possible because of YOU!

Thank you for your thoughtful contribution to Salem Health Foundation.





IMPROVING PATIENT CARE

\$486,999 in capital projects

Bronchial thermoplasty unit

The foundation granted \$69,999 to the endoscopy unit for a machine that reduces muscle tissue constricting airflow during an asthma attack. A conservative estimate suggested that if even 20 patients visited the emergency department once less per year, Salem Health could save \$362,440 per year over the next five years. Without the unit, patients would need to travel to Portland for this treatment.

Let's ALL Play Place

In 2017, we made the final payment (\$400,000) on our therapy and community playground. We welcome children of all ages — including patients of the Salem Health Rehabilitation Center — to the Let's ALL Play Place every day.

Financial overview (Where donors directed their gifts) Total raised: \$1,287,324



Thank you for entrusting us with your gifts in the past. We ensure that every dollar improves the lives of the people and local community we serve.

Questions? Visit salemhealth.org/foundation, call 503-814-1990 or email foundation@salemhealth.org.

Radiation exposure measurement equipment

The foundation granted \$24,000 to the imaging department to purchase equipment that measures the amount radiation patients and providers are exposed to during various kinds of imaging procedures. The new equipment reduces the risk of radiation-induced cataracts and overexposure to radiation. Before, measurements could only be approximated. Now they are instant, exact and repeatable.

Fast facts

Donors — including Salem Health employees, generous community members and you — allowed us to:

- Serve 18,000 people through our Community Health Education Center (CHEC).
- Begin a Food Farmacy for patients in need, so they can feed themselves and their entire households healthy meals after leaving the hospital.
- Unite physicians, social services, police and area leaders by sponsoring a pain summit to tackle the opioid epidemic.

Making our mark on the mid-valley in fiscal year 2017

Between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017, donor gifts enabled us to provide:

\$122,000 in scholarships

We awarded scholarships to students currently in medically related professional programs. They included:

- 43 first-time applicants.
- 24 returning applicants.
- 40 current and former hospital employees and volunteers.
- 10 family members of current and former hospital employees and volunteers.
- 17 community members.



\$82,530 in professional development opportunities

Current employees had the opportunity to continue their education and stay on the cutting edge of their practice through:

- Conferences.
- Certification courses.
- On-campus nurse leadership training.

\$76,797 in patient assistance

Patients with financial hardships or transportation barriers were recipients of help that included:

- \$18,033 to transport patients to and from medical appointments safely.
- \$19,498 in chemotherapy medication.
- \$15,136 in living expenses for cancer patients.
- \$6,832 in medical equipment for patients in rehabilitation.
- \$6,397 for digital scales for heart failure patients.
- \$6,763 to enable patients safe transitions to their homes.
- \$2,197 to clothe patients without basic, seasonal attire.



\$56,097 in health education and outreach programming

Members of the community benefitted from health education and outreach projects, such as:

- Neonatal intensive care unit support.
- Bereavement necklaces for parents who have lost their babies.
- Car seats and car seat installation.
- Mammogram vouchers and other cancer screenings.
- Diabetes education materials.

Annual, dedicated support from people like you makes all of this possible For a list of contributors: salemhealth.org/foundation/donors