

IMPACT OF GIVING



Partnership is the Key
to Our Pioneering Spirit



“Life’s persistent and most urgent question is, ‘What are you doing for others?’”

Martin Luther King Jr.

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Dear Friends,

At its highest aspiration, philanthropy is a way to fulfill our desire to have meaningful impact and change people's lives in a profound way. As a not-for-profit network, Sutter Health's philanthropic partnerships innovate care, create vital new programs, fund critical research and expand access to care for our patients and their families.

Sutter Health continues to sharpen its focus on patient care, asking ourselves, "What is the patient's experience and what are we able to do to make their experience better?"

Thanks to generous community members like you and the 86 first-time gifts to Sutter Amador Hospital, in 2016, we raised \$1,434,994. Through your gifts, you are ensuring Sutter Health patients get the right care at the right place at the right time.

In 2016, Sutter Health and Sutter Health Valley Area Hospitals were recognized as two of the nation's top five performers among large health care systems. Our pioneering spirit, fueled by a strong culture of community philanthropy, is leading the nation in patient care, patient satisfaction, cost and efficiency.

In our Impact of Giving report, you will read about our philanthropic partners and how they are providing specialized equipment for patients who enter our emergency department, mobile-friendly devices for mothers in the family birthing center, more accurate imaging technology to diagnose disease at its earliest stage and a new 64-slice CT scanner providing a more complete image of a patient's condition.

Your partnership is the key to our pioneering spirit and makes exceptional patient care possible. Thank you for your past support and we look forward to partnering with you in the future to provide our community with exceptional care.

With gratitude,



Jody Boetzer
Senior Development Officer
Sutter Amador Hospital Foundation



Anne Platt
CEO
Sutter Amador Hospital

The Year in Review

Sutter Amador Hospital Facts-at-a-Glance

Funds raised in 2016 **\$1,434,994**

22,740
Outpatient visits

389
Number of employees

88
Number of volunteers



24,648

Emergency department visits

2,381
Inpatient discharges

295 Number of births

43 Number of physicians

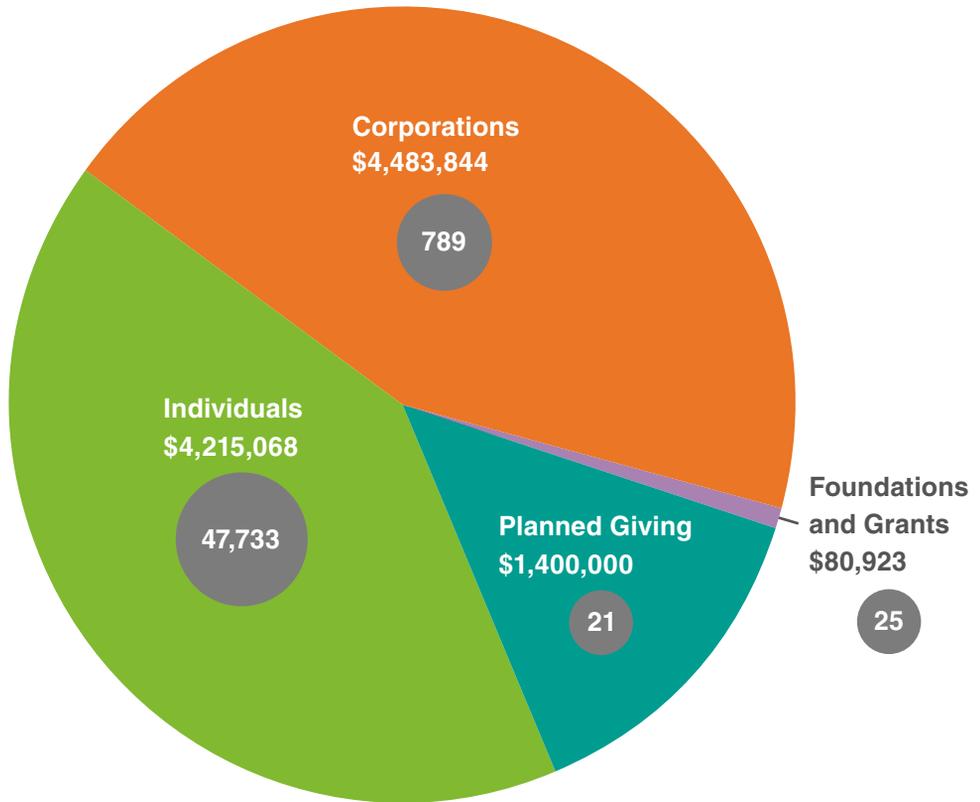


43
Number of employees at Sutter Amador Hospital who are donors

1,637
Number of surgeries

713
Number of endoscopies

Valley Area Philanthropy Facts-at-a-Glance



● Number of gifts associated with them.



Amount given to 11 Sutter Health Valley Area Hospital Foundations in 2016*

\$10,179,834

**Total number
of gifts**
48,568

**Number of
first time gifts**
2,065

*Memorial Hospital, Los Banos, Memorial Medical Center, Sutter Amador Hospital, Sutter Auburn Faith Hospital, Sutter Davis Hospital, Sutter Gould Medical Foundation, Sutter Medical Center, Sacramento, Sutter Medical Foundation, Sutter Roseville Medical Center, Sutter Solano Medical Center and Sutter Tracy Community Hospital

A Year in Review

Impact of Philanthropy

Within the next decade, healthcare as we know it will be remarkably different. There will be precision therapies based on your own genetic profile, intelligent research will yield more lifesaving discoveries and the programs and services you have access to will be better and more personalized. Philanthropic partnerships will play a vital role in this transformation.

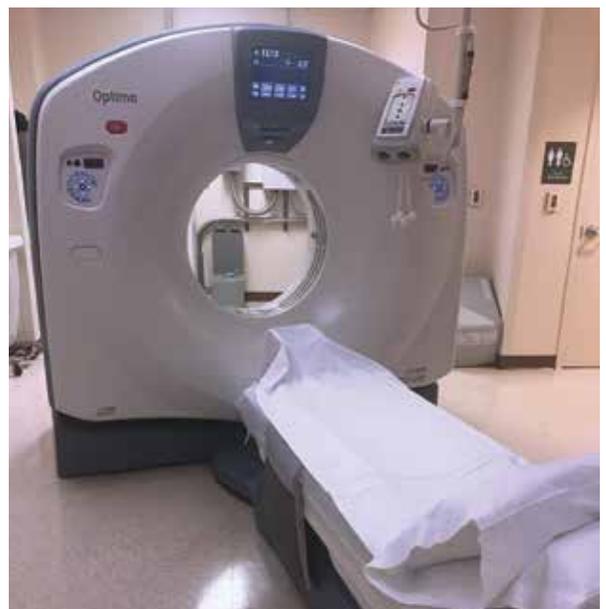
Critical care department

Our critical care department at SAH provides patients with severe and life-threatening conditions the ability to be closely monitored and treated. Some conditions that are commonly treated in this space include trauma, multiple organ failure and sepsis. This department is useful for patients who enter the emergency department in critical condition, as well as patients who are recovering from invasive surgery. Donor dollars have funded monitoring devices to carefully monitor these patients who are in a fragile state.



Diagnostic imaging

Pioneering imaging technology has transformed health care over the past 30 years, allowing physicians to diagnose diseases sooner and improve patient outcomes. Whether you are a mother in remission from breast cancer or a grandfather who wants to ensure he's in good health, imaging technology helps discover and diagnose diseases at their earliest stage, ultimately making them more treatable. Early detection allows for less invasive procedures and shorter recovery times, saving money and improving patient outcomes. Philanthropic dollars have funded imaging equipment such as an ultrasound system, 3D mammography unit and a 64-slice CT scanner, to name a few.





Family birth center

Last year, our Family Birth Center helped give 295 babies their first breath. At Sutter Amador Hospital, we view pregnancy, labor and delivery as a time for wellness and comfort for both parents and their newborn. Philanthropic dollars have played a vital role in this by funding newborn warmers, a wireless fetal monitoring system, telemetry system and birthing beds, to name a few. The generosity from our community benefits our mothers and our smallest and newest patients by keeping them comfortable and safe during their first days.



Infusion center

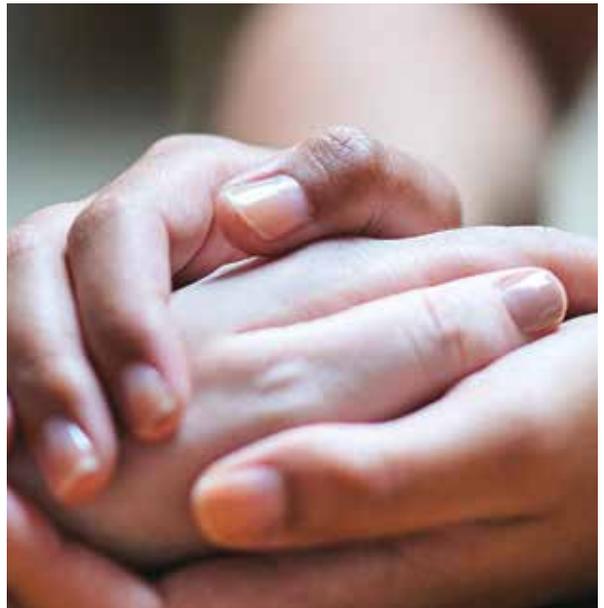
For patients with cancer, local care is now one step closer with construction on the new infusion center nearing an end. The 2,500-square-foot infusion center will have 10 infusion chairs and is expected to open in January 2018. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, patients will no longer drive hours each day for infusion treatments and will be able to heal among family and friends in their community.

A Year in Review

Impact of Philanthropy (cont'd)

Patient, physician, employee support

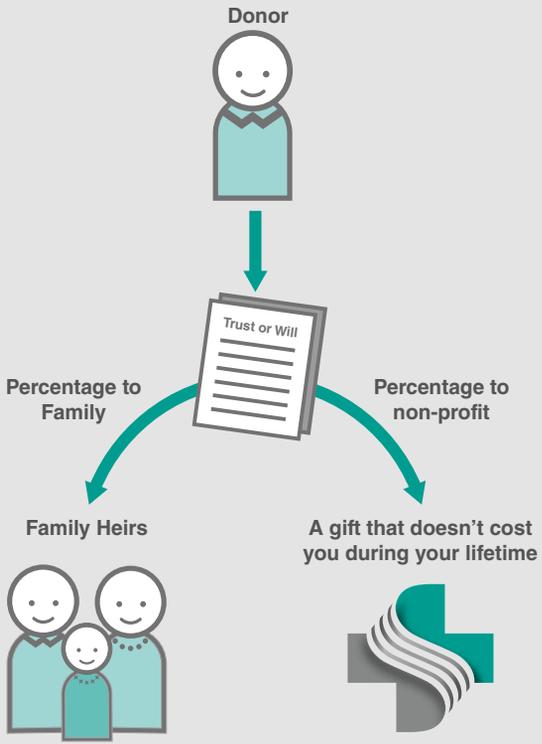
There is so much that goes into ensuring a safe and comfortable environment for our patients, their families and for the physicians, nurses and staff who directly or indirectly care for them. Philanthropy has funded equipment that helps enhance the care we provide such as CPR technology, bariatric beds and wheel chairs, patient lifts and TVs in patient rooms.



Women's services

Women's bodies are extremely dynamic and complex, which leads to unique health issues that require professional expertise. Our women's health center is designed to provide women with the specialized care they need throughout all stages of life, including pregnancy and gynecologic services. We have a collaborative practice of board-certified OB/Gyns and nurse practitioners offering lifetime care ranging from adolescent female care through the menopausal years. Most recently, we purchased and installed a 3D mammography machine giving women access to specialized equipment to aid in the early diagnosis of breast cancer.



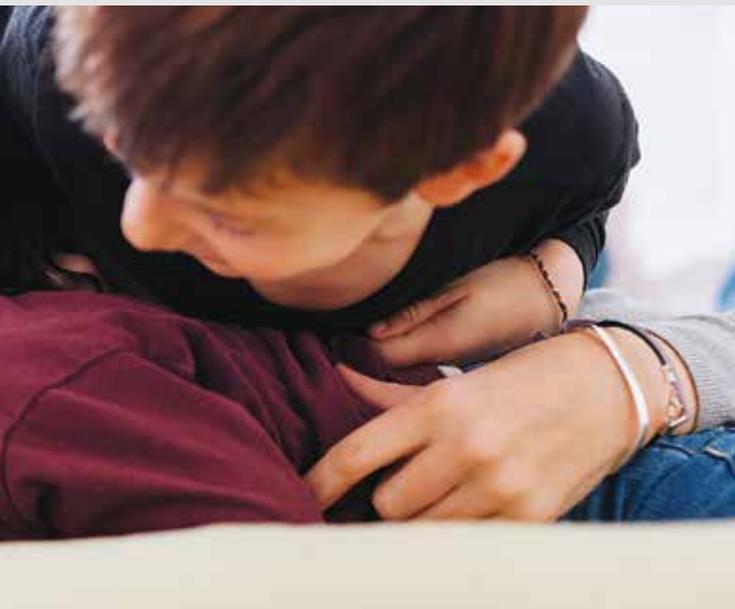


Leave a Legacy

You and your family can be a part of the future of healthcare through thoughtful planning today. We are here to work with you to determine how to leave your legacy while supporting the area of healthcare most important to you. Whether it's leaving your local Sutter hospital in your will or trust (see diagram on left) or creating a gift that pays you income, you can make a visionary philanthropic investment toward the health of your community.



For more information about planned giving, please contact Rebecca Thompson, Director of Philanthropy, Planned Giving at 916-887-7067 or ThompsRM@sutterhealth.org



Imaging

The gift of imagery

Thanks to the generous support of the Mervin and Audrey Sheppard Trust, Sutter Amador Hospital proudly purchased and installed a new 64-slice CT scanner in June. Their generosity allows the hospital to provide state-of-the-art care to the community of Amador County. The new scanner captures up to 64 simultaneous anatomical slices in a single rotation. This allows for more precise images of rapidly moving organs like the heart and lungs. The new scanner allows for ease in examining patients who can't hold their breath, such as trauma victims, young children and the extremely ill. Additionally, the new machine offers 3D surface rendering for orthopedics, colonography for cancer screenings and coronary angiography. This new technology also has the ability to minimize the amount of radiation according to the size and age of the patient. Sutter Amador Hospital CEO Anne Platt says, "The new CT scanner improves the quality and speed of our imaging technology and wouldn't be possible without the Sheppard family."

Each month, the diagnostic imaging team completes about 200 CT scans. With the superior image quality, physicians are able to diagnose and treat stroke patients more easily while increasing the capability of physicians to detect blockages in the coronary arteries in a noninvasive manner, making the patient's experience more comfortable.

The generosity of Mervin and Audrey Sheppard has made a tremendous impact on Sutter Amador Hospital and our patients; their legacy will live on with every use of the new CT scanner. "It is an honor to see how their legacy lives on. It is what they would have wanted for the hospital and this community," says Shirley Bruns, niece of Mervin and Audrey Sheppard.

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Robert Hartmann, M.D. and Shirley Bruns cutting the ribbon on the new 64-slice CT Scanner at Sutter Amador Hospital



Emergency Services

In trauma, the difference between life and death can be the time it takes to access specialized services. Sutter Amador Hospital is seeking to become a designated trauma center so we can expand the exceptional life-saving care we already provide to our community.

Trauma centers provide a higher level of resources, and a trauma designation will enable us to expand the emergency services we're able to provide locally. Patients with certain injuries and illnesses that currently require transfer to a facility would be examined and treated more quickly here at Sutter Amador Hospital. These added services reduce travel time and allow prompt surgical intervention. Our emergency department nurses and providers would also receive continued trauma education that would enhance the care they provide to our community. Amador County and the surrounding communities will benefit from a trauma center close to home.

Lifesaving-equipment, close to home

Having the right tools in the right place at the right time could be a matter of life or death. At Sutter Amador Hospital, we know this all too well. Recently, a young boy came into our emergency room after falling and hitting his head. Days before the accident, the hospital had purchased a specialized piece of equipment — to be used in brain injury cases — that was fully funded by philanthropic partners in our community. Without this life-saving equipment in our local hospital, the patient would have been transferred to another hospital further away and as we know, time is everything when dealing with a brain injury.

With the child's full recovery underway, we are grateful for generous philanthropic investments that allow our patients to get the care they need when, where and how they need it — close to home.

“Because in the world of trauma, seconds and minutes matter. Rather than waiting 45 minutes or an hour to get to a level one trauma center, we could start delivering definitive care as soon as a patient arrives to the hospital.”

— David Beffa, M.D., medical director, emergency medicine,
Sutter Amador Hospital



24,648 visits to Sutter Amador Hospital's
Emergency Department in 2016

Funding Priorities

Sutter Amador Hospital Foundation and Sutter Health Valley Area

BEAR program: The Bridging Evidence & Resources (BEAR) Center is a joint program between Sutter Medical Foundation and Sutter Children's Center, Sacramento that provides care to infants, children and teens who have been seriously neglected or physically or sexually abused. Donor support allows the BEAR Center to provide vital 24-hour child abuse assessment and community resources throughout the region.

Cancer support: Philanthropy helps us put the very best tools in the hands of clinicians faster. Providing a wide range of leading-edge cancer services for patients of all ages in the community, we seek support for advanced new technologies and programs that provide cancer patients with healing therapies.

Emergency programs, services and equipment: Combining technology and compassion, our skilled Emergency Department team treats a variety of medical and surgical emergencies 24-hours-a-day. Donor support helps improve the experience and comfort for patients and families facing urgent health care needs by placing the best possible tools in the hands of our clinicians faster.

Healing garden: The proposed healing garden will be a comforting, peaceful retreat for patients, family and staff at the hospital. There is an opportunity to leave a lasting legacy by naming the healing garden at Sutter Amador Hospital.

Matching grant opportunity — Smart beds: In order to create the most conducive healing atmosphere for both the patient and caretakers, it is necessary to improve the quality of our patient care beds. State-of-the-art beds allow nurses to weigh critically-ill patients without the need for them to move; are rotational, benefiting respiratory patients; and are equipped with air flow mattresses preventing the breakdown of skin for patients who stay for prolonged periods of time. Your gift — doubled by the match — will provide thousands of local patients with the comfort and efficiency they need to make a full recovery or improve their quality of life.

“I want the community to know how much we appreciate their support and that we are here for them everyday, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. We will do our absolute best to serve them and to assure them that they have the best quality care.”

— Anne Platt, CEO, Sutter Amador Hospital

Medical research: The Sutter Institute for Medical Research (SIMR) combines world-class research efforts with community-based medical care. Through SIMR, physicians take part in hundreds of research studies, advancing our understanding of disease prevention, diagnosis and treatment. In addition, Sutter Health is raising funds to support a Biobank that will link blood sample data and electronic health record information from consenting patients. These studies will help researchers better understand how people develop disease over time, leading to more personalized treatment and improved care.

MRI equipment upgrade: An upgraded MRI for Sutter Amador Hospital will improve quality, clinical outcomes, increase patient satisfaction and safety.

SMF Amador Medical Offices: Our physicians and staff provide care to patients of all ages with office locations throughout Amador County. Investment in equipment needs for these medical offices will improve access and allow providers to better serve their patients.

Surgical services and equipment: Investing in advanced surgical equipment improves quality and clinical outcomes and ensures patients have access to the very best care locally.



100 percent of your philanthropic contribution will benefit the program or service you designate.

For more information about how you can become a philanthropic partner contact:

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