Audiology Clinic Expansion Project

Ready, Set, Go!
Three Steps to Make this Happen in 2022

Ready!
$330,000 is needed to expand and accommodate 1,200 more patients in our facility’s Audiology Clinic due to a new collaboration with UWM to serve their patients and provide clinical experiences to their students (story on backside).

Set!
First floor renovation is needed to accommodate an additional sound booth, offices for audiologists and UWM students, and a larger waiting area. The Assistive Technology Center will be relocated to the newly renovated lower level.

Go!
Renovations to begin this summer.
Already accepting UWM patients, added two more audiologists to serve more patients and implemented UWM student externships. Now providing affordable hearing healthcare for hundreds more people!

Please help make this a “Go!” in 2022

Match Gift Opportunity! Thanks to the Otto Bremer Trust, the Audiology Expansion Project will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to $50,000!
To date, donors have pledged $30,000 towards the capital campaign.
Will you help us reach our $330,000 campaign goal by making a contribution?
WHY THE SUDDEN GROWTH?

The University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee Audiology Group (UWM AG), a nonprofit community audiology clinic, closed in April 2022 after serving the community for more than two decades. UWM AG’s priority is to focus its resources on student education and the offering of clinical experiences. The UWM AG team asked HEAR Wisconsin this spring to serve their 1,222 active patients and provide their graduate level students with clinical experiences in the HEAR Wisconsin facility. After careful consideration and review of the financial implications with this collaboration, HEAR Wisconsin is delighted to announce it is partnering with UWM AG.

HEAR Wisconsin’s Audiology Clinic has been growing at a steady pace each year due to the continued need for quality and affordable hearing healthcare services. Many of our current 1,800 patients are underinsured or uninsured, and many for-profit audiology clinics will no longer serve them. And, now, with the addition of UWM AG patients, new audiologists, UWM students, and installation of a second sound booth, substantial renovations to our existing Audiology Clinic and Assistive Technology Center are necessary to accommodate this growth.

The collaboration project and subsequent renovation costs were not anticipated nor budgeted for this year, therefore HEAR Wisconsin has initiated a capital campaign to help defer the costs. HEAR Wisconsin hopes to avoid substantial debt that will affect the already slim profit margin our organization typically experiences each year.

Renovation expenses on the first and lower levels of HEAR Wisconsin is estimated to be $330,000. The Audiology Clinic will be expanded to accommodate the growth. The Assistive Technology Center will be relocated to the lower level.

WHY HELP HEAR WISCONSIN?

HEAR Wisconsin has been serving the community for nearly 100 years with low-cost affordable services thanks to supporters like you and we will not turn patients or clients away no matter their financial and insurance situation. Approximately half of our patients and clients are economically disadvantaged. Many for-profit clinics no longer serve underinsured or uninsured patients. Please help us continue to provide quality hearing healthcare to these patients by making a gift today.