Thank you for taking this opportunity to learn how your 2021 charitable gifts made a difference in the lives of AdventHealth team members, patients, and the community. Enjoy reading about how AdventHealth continues to courageously navigate an ever-changing healthcare climate to keep the community whole. Thank you so much for your support. This work wouldn’t be possible without friends like you. Best wishes for a healthy and peaceful 2022!

With Gratitude,

Robert V. Jackson, MD  
2020 & 21 Chair

Laurie D. McCormack  
Executive Director

Todd Gafney  
2022 & 23 Chair

“Charity is... a universal remedy against discord, and a holy cement for mankind.” – William Penn
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Patient
19 hours ago • 📝
This gift is in honor of all the health care workers who have sacrificed so much for us during this time. For their kindness and caring about our health and trying to comfort us when we are scared about upcoming procedures. This donation could never repay what AdventHealth has done for me throughout the years. Thank you for everything you have done and will continue to do. Keep your heads up and know that what you do makes a difference.

Your Friend and 74 others 24 Comments

Like Comment

Cardiovascular Patient
9 hours ago • 📝
The care and expertise I received during my hospital stay at AdventHealth was second-to-none. The compassionate nurses, doctors and staff really cared about me and provided reassurance every step of the way.

Your Friend and 71 others 18 Comments

Like Comment

Patient Parent
2 hours ago • 📝
During the weeks our twins spent in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at AdventHealth, the unbelievably gifted staff at AdventHealth became like family. Everywhere we turned, there was another shoulder to lean on.

Your Friend and 54 others 12 Comments

Like Comment

Cancer Patient
14 hours ago • 📝
A very close family member was diagnosed with cancer four years ago and her treatment was at the Cancer Center at AdventHealth. I knew right away when my diagnosis came through that was where I wanted to go because her experience was awesome.

Your Friend and 112 others 59 Comments

Like Comment

Behavioral Health Patient
4 hours ago • 📝
Thank you doesn't even begin to express how grateful I am for your guidance, patience, understanding and support through what has been one of the most difficult journeys of my life. The kindness and safe place you created for me to heal in saved my life.

Your Friend and 84 others 32 Comments

Like Comment
GRATEFUL PATIENTS

In 2021, so many continued to show gratitude for and support of our care teams and their unyielding commitment to whole-person health. While the pandemic presented extraordinary challenges throughout the year, patients and community members helped sustain the life-saving work that happens every day at AdventHealth. Your gifts of financial resources, time, meals and snacks, and notes of gratitude meant so much to every member of our team. To all whose generosity helped strengthen the exceptional care at AdventHealth, we say “thank you.”
“We so appreciate everything the healthcare workers are doing during this pandemic. May God bless you.” – Donor
COMMUNITY SUPPORT

From February through May 2021, AdventHealth Shawnee Mission and a team of employee volunteers administered over 45,000 vaccines to the community through a vaccine clinic partnership with Church of the Resurrection (COR). This effort was conducted with support from hundreds of AdventHealth employees and COR volunteers.

In addition, underserved communities were targeted for vaccine distribution. This resulted in bringing clinics to individuals where it was convenient and in that community’s preferred language, as well as transportation funded by the Foundation to bring individuals to COR vaccine clinics.
“The fact that they are an MD Anderson affiliate was significant because I know they review every case, and they are number one in the nation for cancer research.” – Cancer Patient
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND CANCER CARE PROGRAMS

Thanks to a grant from the REACH Healthcare Foundation, Behavioral Health will begin providing transcranial magnetic stimulation therapy (TMS) in 2022. This treatment has been shown to be a safe and well-tolerated procedure that can be effective for patients with depression who have not benefited from antidepressant medications plus talk therapy or cannot tolerate antidepressant medications due to side-effects.

Charitable gifts to AdventHealth Foundation supported care in the Cancer Center that made patients feel loved and whole. This included funding for the Dignicap scalp cooling system to minimize hair loss for patients undergoing chemotherapy treatment and Gilda’s Club programs for patients and their families who have been impacted by cancer.
“Knowing that parents often feel lost, alone and hopeless when given the diagnosis of a child with special needs, then learning they found the support they needed at Britain Development, inspires me to give back.”

– Mat Britain (pictured at the B.E. Smith Family Center Sensory Garden)
Mat Britain grew up knowing the importance of early intervention for children with special needs. He watched as his mother, Lee Ann Britain, blazed a trail in Kansas City, providing therapeutic services to children with diverse abilities and medical diagnoses. The program she founded, Britain Development, located within the B.E. Smith Family Center at AdventHealth Shawnee Mission, has touched the lives of more than 5,000 children since it opened in 1972.

Lee Ann shared countless success stories with her own children who also witnessed her work. Mat believes that because Britain Development is accessible to all families despite their ability to pay it plays a particularly critical role in the community. Grateful for the services and support Britain Development provides to these families, Mat consulted with AdventHealth Foundation’s Planned Giving team to establish a legacy gift. “Seeing my mom’s vision and what she established grow, flourish, and become what it is today is beyond special.”
“My participation in the Culinary Genomics Class was fun and informative! I have some new tools and skills that can help positively impact my health.” – Whole Health Institute Participant
The AdventHealth Whole Health Institute (WHI) is a new health and wellness destination focused on treating the whole person through an integrative medicine practice comprised of an integrative medicine physician (MD), naturopathic physician and registered dietitian. The focus is on whole person health with an emphasis on lifestyle medicine and includes diagnostic services for gut health, healthy sleep, weight control and de-prescribing of medications.

In 2021, the Foundation received a grant for the WHI from the Ardmore Institute of Health to subsidize the Culinary Genomics Program. The program is offered as a six-week course, or two-day weekend intensive, to uncover and analyze genes, how they affect everyone differently, and turn them on or off through diet and behavior modifications. In addition, the program includes two one-on-one consultations with Dr. Tereza Hubkova, one post program session with registered dietitian Lisa Markley, and check-ins with a designated health coach.
Numerous gifts to the Area of Greatest Need from companies, individuals, and charitable foundations helped support the following needs:

- Support for free community COVID-19 vaccine clinics, including meals and refreshments for volunteers
- AdventHealth team member and physician well-being counseling and support services
- AdventHealth ParentCare coaching, resources and education

- Support for a new Cardiac Cath Lab x-ray camera used in diagnosis and treatment of coronary artery disease

- English as Second Language classes for non-native speaking team members
- Behavior Checker® online parenting tool for emotional support and strategies to solve more than 150 common children’s behavioral problems
- Transportation for patients in underserved communities to COVID-19 vaccine clinics
The Area of Greatest Need is an unrestricted fund that gives AdventHealth Kansas City Foundation the flexibility to provide philanthropic support for unanticipated and urgent needs, as well as needs not covered by other restricted funds. In 2021, this fund helped support critical programs, equipment and technology in a variety of areas including Cardiology, Parenting Support and COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics.
## 2021 Distributions from Foundation Funds

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**Total Donors**: 852  
**Total Gifts**: 12,434
FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Giving by Donor Type

- Individuals: 31%
- Corporations: 28%
- Foundations: 25%
- Organizations: 16%

Total Fundraising Activity: $2,666,151

For a list of 2021 donors and more information about AdventHealth Kansas City Foundation, visit AdventHealthKCFoundation.com
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Thursday, November 10, 2022
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