

# Stronger Together.

GRADY HEALTH FOUNDATION 2021 IMPACT REPORT





## Thank You

This past year presented Team Grady with continued challenges, including new surges of the COVID-19 pandemic and unprecedented trauma volume as a result of increased violent crime and traumatic accidents. With your support, Grady was able to persevere and evolve in order to meet our community's dynamic needs.

Through it all, we have remained steadfast in our mission to provide world-class care for all. We could not have done this without you.

Donors like you play a critical role in keeping Grady strong. Every dollar makes an impact. We would like to especially thank the Correll family, Delta Air Lines, Fulton-Dekalb Hospital Authority, The Home Depot Foundation, Humana, the Merck Foundation, and the Robert W. Woodruff Foundation for their transformative gifts.

We would also like to express our gratitude to our Board of Directors whose leadership, time, and talent make Grady strong every day.



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## SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

### Food as Medicine

In partnership with Open Hand Atlanta and the Atlanta Community Food Bank, the Food as Medicine Program at Grady's Jesse Hill Market is taking a new approach to fighting chronic disease using fresh, healthy food.



**500+**  
patients in  
the program



**65,000**  
**pounds**  
of fresh, healthy  
food distributed



Items purchased at Grady's Jesse Hill Market funded **over 5,000 meals** for clients of Open Hand Atlanta



**450+**  
patients attended teaching kitchen classes with our registered dietitian

### Ponce de Leon Center



With the support of the philanthropic community as well as Fulton and DeKalb Counties, renovations are well underway at our Ponce de Leon Center. This world-class facility houses one of the largest, most comprehensive HIV treatment centers in the United States. Now, it boasts a newly-renovated Oral Health Center which provides routine and emergency dental health services for those living with HIV/AIDS—a population with a high incidence of oral health problems. It is the only clinic of its kind in metro Atlanta.



Grady now has the most advanced and incredible dental program for any patient population in the state of Georgia. It's just remarkable.

– Dr. David Reznik  
Chief of Dental Medicine,  
Grady Health System



### Addressing Cancer Treatment Disparities

Thanks to a generous investment from the Merck Foundation, Grady has been able to implement highly-effective, cutting-edge cancer treatment methods that are having a tremendously positive impact on our patients.



Prior to implementation, the average time from diagnosis to treatment was well above 30 days



Now, the average time from diagnosis to treatment has improved to 24 days. For GYN-related cancers, the time from diagnosis to treatment has been reduced to 11 days.

By integrating distress screening tools into our electronic medical records system, 90 percent of patients needing same-day intervention now receive it. The navigation team is instrumental to ensuring that patients are referred to services more quickly.

## BUILDING GRADY'S FUTURE



This year, Grady lost one of our greatest champions. Pete Correll played an integral role in supporting and rebuilding Grady Health System, using his extensive knowledge

as a businessman and philanthropist to help ensure Grady remains the world-class health care institution that it is today.

“Moving the health system from critical to stable would be an epic battle, but it was a battle Pete said had to be won. He rallied fellow business and civic leaders to take up the cause. He negotiated unprecedented philanthropic donations for much-needed infrastructure improvements. And maybe

most importantly, he elevated the value of Grady and its role in the community by helping us strengthen the vital services we were known for and helping us create new ones that are second to none,” said John Hauptert, CEO of Grady Health System.



Among Pete Correll's long list of contributions to Grady was a generous donation to help fund the construction of the Correll Pavilion, where his name will be immortalized in honor of his selfless contributions to our health

system and community. The state-of-the-art facility is set to open in Fall 2022.

## Pathways 2 Success



The past year has underscored how critical frontline clinical teams are to Grady's ability to meet the health care needs of our community. Given the extremely competitive environment for nurses and allied health

professionals, the retention of skilled staff is a top priority for our health system. Last year, with support from The Home Depot Foundation, Grady was able to launch the Pathways 2 Success (P2S) program to help employees – particularly entry-level frontline staff – obtain the training and certifications necessary to advance professionally. While Grady has traditionally offered tuition reimbursement for employees who chose to further their career by enrolling in academic, training or certification programs, for many employees – especially those in lower-paying positions – that help was not enough. The Grady Pathways 2 Success program goes a step further by covering salaries while employees are pursuing training, assisting with obtainment of certifications, and helping with career mapping and planning.

## The Larry L. Moyer Memorial Scholarship



Grady Radiologic Technology students will now have the opportunity for a scholarship because of a family's desire to honor a loved one. Larry Moyer gave his all for Grady as an Interventional Radiology Technologist, and his family chose to honor him by establishing the Larry L. Moyer Memorial Scholarship. The first student recipient will be selected in the spring of 2022.

"When I was considering what we could do as a memorial, it occurred to me that because he was always so passionate about working at Grady and being a graduate of their radiology program, the perfect thing would be to pay it forward to someone else who shares the same passion. He would have been very proud and humbled. If anyone has any thoughts of giving a gift to Grady, if it is on your heart to do it, just go ahead and do it," said his wife, Nealy Moyer.



## Veterans to EMTs

With the support of The Home Depot Foundation, Grady's EMS Education Academy has continued to assist veterans seeking a career in pre-hospital care. Over the past year, a total of 42 veterans have completed or applied for training courses, including the EMT, Advance EMT and Paramedic tracks. There has been a significant increase in veteran applications in the past six months, which helps Grady meet the intense regional demand for qualified EMT personnel.



## CELEBRATING GRADY

### A Night to Remember

On October 3, thousands tuned in to watch Music Heals: A Celebration of Grady. The one-night-only special event, produced with the generous help of the Georgia Music Accord, aired during prime time thanks to our amazing partners at WSB-TV/Channel 2. The program included stellar performances from well-known Georgia artists – all of whom donated their time – as well as opportunities to hear from Grady leaders about all of the incredible work our health system is doing each and every day. **The event was a tremendous success, raising over \$1.1 million in support of Grady.** We are incredibly grateful for our amazing sponsors and the hundreds of viewers who made gifts online.





JOIN US IN 2022



## VeloCity 2022

Support Grady Health System by participating in this cycle, run and walk event hosted at the gorgeous Bouckaert Farm in Chattahoochee Hills, featuring fully supported routes of various distances as well as a victory celebration at the finish line.

**Save the Date: May 7, 2022**

## White Coat Grady Gala

Join hundreds of business, community and medical leaders at the Georgia Aquarium in celebration of the health care heroes who are making a difference in the lives of our patients each and every day.

**Save the Date: October 29, 2022**



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