

PHILANTHROPY UPDATE

An in-depth look at how you are making a difference for our patients, their families and the communities we serve through charitable giving.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

It was another exciting year to be a part of the Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital family. Our Journey to Excellence Campaign helped to fund three major campus expansions in 2016/2017: The Bhorade Cancer Center, the West Tower, and the Deb and Alan Feldman Cardiovascular Pavilion. Our fundraising effort continues, as we move our focus to updating patient rooms in the Classic Tower.



David S. Fox

Because of philanthropy, we are able to expand access to care, offer a top quality patient experience, continue innovation and improve patient outcomes. Because of you, we can make a difference. On behalf of the patients and families that have benefitted from your gifts, Good Samaritan Hospital thanks you for your continued support.

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

“Charlotte Thomas, 28-year-old female, was admitted today for induction of labor for pre-eclampsia. The patient has had protracted labor, and is dilating slowly. She started pushing one hour ago.”

Two nurses tend to Charlotte as her contractions continue. Eventually, they call her physician, who helps deliver the child. The child’s face is immediately blue, so nurses quickly tend to the newborn, as the mother continues to ask how her baby is. As the infant’s heart rate drops, the nurses begin chest compressions.

While this situation is very real, the mother and baby are not. They are high-fidelity mannequins, able to blink, move their arms, turn blue and make bowel sounds. Simulation allows caregivers to practice high-risk, low-frequency situations in a controlled environment. Each unit at Good Samaritan Hospital puts on an annual Skills Day, where the nurses complete simulation and some time in the classroom, furthering their education.

The nurses are encouraged to react just as they would in a real situation, using whatever interventions they find appropriate, including giving medications and fluids, throughout the exercise. At the conclusion of the simulation, the nurses have the chance to ask questions, make suggestions to one another and talk through any missed opportunities.

The Simulation Program, funded by philanthropy, is part of Advocate Health Care’s Strategic Plan to improve patient safety and achieve zero events of patient harm by 2020. In the first two quarters of 2017, the Advocate Simulation Program has worked with clinical units to identify more than 110 latent safety threats within clinical environments across the system.

YOUR IMPACT

CENTRALIZING CARDIAC CARE

Our new Deb and Alan Feldman Cardiovascular Pavilion ensures the facility provides more convenient care for patients, whether they're coming in for routine diagnostic tests or recovering from a life-threatening heart attack.

ENHANCING PATIENT PRIVACY

The new 110,000-square-foot, three-story addition known as the West Tower includes 96 private patient rooms for cardiac progressive care, neuro medical and post-surgical patients.

EXPANDING CANCER SERVICES

The new Bhorade Cancer Center offers state-of-the-art radiation equipment and genetic counseling, in addition to:



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