

Inspired Philanthropy

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Office of Philanthropy –
Muskegon, Shelby & Grand Haven

*In this issue of
Inspired Philanthropy,
we celebrate the many
ways our supporters are
making a difference.*

For Friends & Donors of
Trinity Health Muskegon
Trinity Health Shelby
Trinity Health Grand Haven



**Celebrating the gift of
new technology for
open-heart patients**

Dear Friends and Supporters,

We are thrilled to share incredible highlights from fiscal 2024*. Remarkable support from our donors is driving exceptional care across our lakeshore hospitals in Muskegon, Shelby, and Grand Haven. While we celebrate every gift, a few stand out:

- The Essex family’s generous support enabled the purchase of a **Medistim ultrasound and two cardiac echo machines**, ensuring excellent outcomes for our open-heart surgery patients.
- A generous estate gift allowed us to acquire a **Globus robotic spine navigation system**, enhancing precision for our Neurosurgeons and Orthopedic surgeons in Muskegon.
- With a \$40,000 grant from the Grand Haven Area Community Foundation, Trinity Health Grand Haven secured a **stroke robot**, helping the hospital to achieve Primary Stroke Center certification.
- In December, an unexpected \$100,000 anonymous gift allowed us to refresh the Johnson Family Cancer Center’s lobby and fund **equipment that enhances patient comfort during radiation treatments**.

Recently, we connected with Sister Naomi Holysko, who served as the administrator of Mercy Hospital from the late 1960s through the early 1980s. Her leadership left an indelible mark on our community, and her continued support of Trinity Health Muskegon inspires us all. We hope you find her story as uplifting as we do.

As we prepare for year-end and 2025, our focus will be on highlighting the program and equipment needs within our Oncology, Heart & Vascular and Neuroscience patient-care areas. We are excited about this comprehensive campaign effort, “A Higher Caring,” and look forward to sharing it with you soon!

Thank you for being an essential part of our philanthropy family and for supporting our Trinity Health mission of caring for our community.

With sincere gratitude,



Claudine Weber
Chief Philanthropy Officer
Trinity Health Office of Philanthropy
Muskegon, Shelby & Grand Haven



Gary Allore
President
Trinity Health Muskegon,
Shelby & Grand Haven

*Fiscal 2024 is July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024

On the cover: Thanks to the Essex family’s support, our Heart & Vascular team now have a Medistim ultrasound device and two Philips EPIQ CVx cardiac ultrasounds. This advanced equipment is used to enhance outcomes for open-heart surgery patients.

Your Impact by the Numbers

During the past year, your gifts have impacted thousands of lives from every walk of life:

904 donors

made gifts through the Office of Philanthropy

13 Endowments

permanently supported programs & services

\$1,755,000

was given in gifts & pledges

SleepSacks™ were provided to

1,738 newborns,

helping them sleep safely at home

29 patients

received financial assistance with their out-of-pocket costs for cardiac rehabilitation

\$33,826

was awarded by Women for Health to the Community Health & Well-Being team to provide rent/utility support for new mothers, allowing for more time with their babies

Donors gave **\$34,056**

worth of supplies & equipment

6 nurses were awarded scholarships

to become **SANE** certified (sexual assault nurse examiners)

Third-party event coordinators

raised **\$70,000** in support of Trinity Health Muskegon

1,031 visitors

received free & credible health literature from the Patient & Family Resource Center at Trinity Health Muskegon.

Thanks to donor support, there are now

7 Patient & Family Resource Center locations

(Trinity Health Muskegon, Trinity Health Shelby, Behavioral Health, Breast Center, Neurosciences Center, Emergency Department, and the Johnson Family Cancer Center).

Safe Kids West Michigan provided at no cost:

- 464 bike helmets
- 316 standard and adaptive car seats
- 900 gun locks
- 550 medication lock boxes

A Donor's Journey

Transforming Heart Care at Trinity Health Muskegon Hospital

Local businessman and patient, Bruce Essex, shares his story



Bruce Essex's positive experience with his open-heart surgery led him and his wife, Yvonne, to partner with Dr. Tad Boeve to invest in new technologies that advance the open-heart surgery experience.

In October 2022, my life took an unexpected turn when I was admitted to Trinity Health Muskegon Hospital with dangerously high blood pressure. Little did I know, this moment would lead me on a profound journey of discovery and generosity.

Under the care of my cardiologist, I underwent a heart catheterization, which revealed severe coronary artery disease and that stents were not a suitable option for me. My condition required open-heart surgery under the expert care of cardiothoracic surgeon Dr. Tad Boeve and his team.

In the days leading up to the surgery, I delved into researching Dr. Boeve's expertise in open-heart procedures. Learning of his esteemed reputation within cardiac surgery, it brought me confidence during a challenging time.

The procedure, which included a triple bypass and an aneurysm repair, was successful. I returned home and remarkably, experienced minimal discomfort.

While expressing my gratitude to Dr. Boeve and reflecting on my journey, I discovered there was an opportunity to enhance cardiac care in Muskegon. A Medistim ultrasound device was identified as a crucial asset, capable of improving surgical outcomes and ensuring vein quality for bypass procedures. To support this, my wife Yvonne, son John, and I proudly contributed to acquiring the first ultrasound, and then a second one, for the Cardiovascular program at Trinity Health Muskegon.



The Essex family's gifts to the Heart & Vascular program at Trinity Health Muskegon, per the family's direction, made possible the purchase of two Philips EPIQ CVx cardiac ultrasounds for our open-heart surgery team.

The impact was tangible. By November 2023, Dr. Boeve shared this device had already been used for critical surgeries, affirming its value to our community.

With a vision to do more, we met with key stakeholders—Gary Allore, president; Dr. Tad Boeve; Dr. Justin Grill, chief medical officer; and Claudine Weber, chief philanthropy officer. Together, we identified a prioritized list of essential equipment and technologies needed to position Trinity Health Muskegon as a premier destination for heart surgeries, now and well into the future.

Trinity Health Muskegon possesses the infrastructure and expertise to expand its cardiovascular capabilities. Now, we are seeking the support of others to join us as we work to fund the future of cardiac care on the lakeshore.

To learn more on how to support Heart & Vascular services, contact Claudine Weber at weberch@trinity-health.org or 231-672-3896.

"The Essex family's generosity has had a tremendous impact on our program and our ability to care for our community. Every day, two of our operating rooms have state-of-the-art echocardiography to evaluate all aspects of cardiac structure and function. After surgery, we have the ability to check bypass grafts with our Medistim ultrasound devices. These devices contribute to precision and safety. Our whole team is extraordinarily grateful."

*Dr. Tad Boeve
Cardiothoracic Surgeon
Trinity Health Muskegon*



From the Farm to Philanthropy:

The Inspiring Journey of Sister Naomi Holysko

Early Life & Religious Calling

Sister Naomi Holysko's story is a testament to resilience and dedication. Born and raised on a farm in Pinconning, Michigan, she was an only child who found companionship in the animals she cared for. Her early years were spent in the countryside, a stark contrast to the bustling cities she would later navigate as a Sister of Mercy. She served as the youngest administrator of Mercy Hospital from 1967 to 1981.

Entry into Religious Life & Education

Sister Naomi entered the convent at the Sisters of Mercy in Detroit at just 17. The training included a year as a postulant, two years as a novice, and four years as a junior sister, during which she pursued higher education in nursing and pharmacy. Sister Naomi completed a pharmacy program at Wayne State University, became a member of Rho Chi Honor Society in 1962, and a master's degree in hospital administration from Saint Louis University in Missouri in 1967, including a residency at Holy Name Hospital in Teaneck, New Jersey.

Professional Achievements & Leadership

Throughout her career, Sister Naomi served in various capacities across multiple hospitals. Her work took her from St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids to Mercy Hospital in Muskegon, where she directed the construction of a new hospital facility in the early 1970s. Despite being in her mid-20s, her leadership ensured a smooth transition from the old hospital to the new state-of-the-art facility with the help of 180



Sister Naomi signing the Sherman Blvd. property documents in 1968 where the new hospital was to be completed in 1973.

Army Reserve members in April 1973. She also directed the construction of the ambulatory outpatient services building in 1980 (West Shore Professional Building).

Recognition & Tragedy

Sister Naomi was named Muskegon's Woman of the Year in 1976. In the late 1970s, she hired cardiothoracic surgeon, Dr. Steven Demos and other cardiology specialists to begin the hospital's cardiovascular program. She was the administrator during the tragic 1981 plane crash that took the lives of five men traveling for the hospital, board members William White, Jr. and Charles Schuler, Jr., physicians Dr. Davis Amos and Dr. Guido Annessa, and pilot Richard Wilson.

Sabbatical & Further Service

In 1981, Sister Naomi took a year-long sabbatical at Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington. When she returned, she was elected to the governance of her ministry, serving as Provincial Administrator for the Sisters of Mercy for two four-year terms.

Philanthropic Endeavors

Her parents, who owned a general store and were known for their generosity, greatly influenced her charitable nature. After their passing, she received an inheritance, which she chose to use for the greater good. Living a life of poverty, she channeled her inheritance into supporting the education of young women, health care initiatives, and numerous community projects. At Trinity Health Muskegon, her gifts have supported the Johnson Family Cancer Center, the Breast Center, the Heart Center, the new hospital, the Healing Garden, the Roger W. Spoelman Conference & Learning Center, nursing education, and teddy bears for kids in our care.

Continued Service & Legacy

Sister Naomi's commitment to philanthropy extends beyond financial contributions. She has been an active volunteer, serving on the boards of multiple hospitals and not-for-profit organizations. Her work has provided much needed resources and encourages others to contribute. A poignant example of her philanthropic spirit is her support for teddy bears for kids, inspired by her own cherished childhood teddy bear.

Personal Sacrifices & Community Involvement

Sister Naomi's story is also one of personal sacrifices and unwavering faith. When her father was diagnosed with dementia and Alzheimer's,



Sister Naomi eagerly agreed to fund Trinity Health teddy bears for children in our EDs and Urgent Cares. She has a fondness for bears and still has her beloved childhood bear (with the green ribbon) that her parents made sure to bring to her when she was at the convent.

she took a sabbatical to care for him until his passing. Today, at the age of 83, Sister Naomi remains actively involved in her community. She chairs the local food pantry, serves as the treasurer of the St. Anne Society at her church, and continues to support those in need, despite health challenges like vertigo.

An Enduring Legacy

Her life motto, *"Only Your love and Your will,"* engraved on her ring when she took her final vows, captures her devotion to God and her community. Additionally, she lives by the principle of taking life one day at a time. Sister Naomi Holysko's journey as a revered Sister of Mercy, a hospital administrator, and a dedicated philanthropist is inspiring. Her legacy is a testament to the lasting power of mercy, compassion, and the importance of giving back to the community.



Trinity Health Neuroscience Center



Left to right: Cindi England, LPN, Shelby Powles, MA; and Rita Chandonnet, MA-C; are some of the friendly colleagues caring for patients at the new Trinity Health Neuroscience Center in Muskegon.

New Trinity Health Neuroscience Center in Muskegon Offers Advanced Technology and Comprehensive Care

The new Trinity Health Neuroscience Center – Muskegon at 1150 E. Sherman Blvd., is located on the second floor of Trinity Health Medical Center – Sherman Pavilion. The center unites Trinity Health Medical Group neuroscience specialists, offering diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation for brain, spine, and nervous system conditions.

“Our specialists can now collaborate in one location, enhancing patient care,” said Leanna Krukowski, administrative director of West Michigan Neuroscience Services at Trinity Health Michigan.

As the population ages, the demand for neuroscience care is expected to increase, particularly for conditions like Alzheimer’s, stroke, and age-related pain. The center is an \$8.7 million investment, nearly doubling the number of patients the specialists can treat.

Integration, collaboration, and convenience distinguish the Neuroscience Center. The center features advanced technology and specialties including neurosurgery, neurology, spine, rehabilitation, and osteopathic manipulative medicine. It also offers an on-site Patient & Family Resource Center, physical therapy gym, radiology, lab services, and a pharmacy.

This center provides expert, coordinated care close to home,” added Leanna.



Stephanie DeWildt, BSN, RN, clinical team lead; left, and Meredith Hodges, practice manager, right, showcase the various medical models used by the Neuroscience staff.

Neurosurgeon, Dr. Robert Lynagh, is recognized for his visionary leadership in bringing Globus Excelsius™ technology to Trinity Health Neuroscience Center–Muskegon. This cutting-edge robotic navigation system is used for spine surgeries, enhancing precision and patient outcomes. It was made possible thanks to a planned gift from Joseph T. Riley.



Left to right: Jill McNamara, MSN, RN, transplant services liaison; Andrea Barts, LMSW, CCTSW, social worker, Kidney Transplant Center; Jill DeWeerd, BSN, RN, CCTC, transplant coordinator; and Tayler Kooienga, BSN, RN, transplant coordinator.

Satellite Clinic Brings Kidney Transplant Care to the Lakeshore Community

Kidney Transplant Services Expand to Muskegon

The Trinity Health Kidney Transplant Center in Grand Rapids has opened a satellite clinic at Trinity Health Muskegon, enhancing access to kidney transplant services for patients in the Muskegon and Lakeshore areas. This monthly clinic is held at the Trinity Health Neuroscience Center at the Pavilion on Sherman Blvd.

Enhancing Accessibility & Overcoming Barriers

The clinic's establishment is supported by partnerships with local providers. "This enables us to bring essential pre-transplant services closer to Lakeshore patients," said Kelly Summers, Clinical Manager for the Kidney Transplant program.

While surgeries and post-transplant care remain in Grand Rapids, the satellite clinic seeks to improve access to kidney care and addresses transportation challenges some patients face.

For kidney transplant referrals, patients should consult their primary care provider or nephrologist.

Planned Giving & Endowments

A Legacy of Generosity

Honoring Joseph T. Riley

Thanks to the late Joseph T. Riley's thoughtful planning and generosity more than 50 years ago, Trinity Health Muskegon received a significant planned gift from his estate. This gift reflects Mr. Riley's deep commitment to our mission and serves as a testament to his enduring legacy in the Muskegon community.

A distinguished graduate of Notre Dame Law School in 1918, Mr. Riley dedicated over five decades to serving as an attorney and counselor in Muskegon. He was known for his integrity, wisdom, and commitment to his clients. For 42 years, he served as counsel to Continental Motors Corporation and held the position of secretary at George Morrell Corporation for 35 years. He was remembered not just as a legal advisor, but also as a compassionate gentleman with a delightful Irish wit.

Mr. Riley was also deeply engaged in community affairs, serving as Chairman of the Civil Service Commission and contributing to the Advisory Board of Mercy Hospital. He was a member of the Century Club, Knights of Columbus, and the Notre Dame Club of Muskegon, and a communicant of St. Mary's Church.

Mr. Riley was married to Lucille Garrett, with whom he raised a son, James J. Riley. Joseph T. Riley's remarkable journey began in 1895 and continued until his passing in 1975.

We extend our deepest gratitude to Mr. Riley. With this gift, his legacy will continue to transform lives for generations to come.



If you are interested in making a planned gift to Trinity Health Muskegon, contact Emma Peterson, Director of Philanthropy, at emma.peterson@trinity-health.org or 231.672.4814.

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Landstrom Family Establishes Advanced Practice Nursing Scholarship Fund

We are thrilled to announce the establishment of the **Landstrom Family Advanced-Practice Nursing Scholarship Fund**, made possible by the generous support of Gay and Brian Landstrom. This fund is designed to empower nurses aspiring to pursue mastery in their field by providing support for master's or doctoral degrees. Once fully funded, this endowed fund will open doors for the next generation of local nurses to become advanced-practice nurses. Gay is a former chief nursing officer at Trinity Health Muskegon and currently serves as a senior vice president and chief nursing officer for Trinity Health.



Left to right: Danielle Hower, EMT; Sam Pringle, critical care paramedic; and Dan Young, critical care paramedic supervisor.

Philanthropy Empowers EMS Safety Trinity Health EMS Upgrades Fleet with Stryker Power-LOAD System

In July, the entire fleet of 16 Trinity Health EMS ambulances was outfitted with the Stryker Power-LOAD system. Philanthropic donations covered \$200,000 of the \$550,000 cost. Dan Young, Critical Care Paramedic Supervisor, is thrilled with the new equipment and shared, "This is the biggest change in my 13 years as a paramedic."

Designed to carry a patient weighing up to 700 lbs., the Power-LOAD system is proven to reduce injuries from repetitive loading and unloading motions and improve patient safety and comfort. Keeping our medics injury-free means more of them are available to respond to emergencies in our community.

Sam Pringle, critical care paramedic, added, "Having Power-LOADS increases our ability to hire and retain EMTs and paramedics and expands our possible recruitment base because it levels the playing field on some of the physical requirements."



Sweet Relief: Pies for Health Care Heroes

17-year-old Jolie Guevara and her friends, with support from Grand Traverse Pie Company, delivered pies to health care workers at Trinity Health Muskegon through her newly founded Sweet Relief Project. Inspired by her future in health care, Jolie wanted to give back to those who save lives every day. Huge thanks to Jolie and the Grand Traverse Pie Co. for making it happen!

Community Engagement

Realtors and Community Partners Donate Lifejackets

Our heartfelt thanks to the West Michigan Lakeshore Association of Realtors, the Schmidt Community Fund, and all the individual realtors who donated 115 life jackets! There are 15 life jacket loaner boards throughout Muskegon County as part of the Trinity Health Muskegon Safe Kids West Michigan program. Thank you to this group of realtors and the Muskegon County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit for helping to ensure swimmers and boaters of all ages can enjoy the water safely!



Celebrating New Car Seat Safety Technicians

At a recent joint inspection station and Good Neighbor Car Seat Check event, 15 inspections were made and 14 car seats were given out. Thank you to our Child Passenger Safety Technicians and volunteers for your commitment to keeping our babies and kids riding safely! This program is made possible through community donations and a grant from Safe Kids Worldwide, partnering with State Farm.



Generous Veteran Supports Health Care Heroes at Trinity Health Grand Haven

Trinity Health Grand Haven recently received a heartwarming gift from Russ Brychta, a Holland resident and member of Disabled American Veterans Holland Chapter 14. Russ donated tumblers, featuring quotes that recognize the dedication of health care providers and nurses. These tumblers were distributed to our health care team as a token of appreciation for their hard work. We are deeply thankful to Russ for his generosity and for his efforts to uplift our staff.



Left to right: Kieu Bergman, executive assistant; Cindy VanKampen, chief nursing officer; Russ Brychta; Megan Akselberg, stewardship & donor relations officer; and Michelle Evans, manager, volunteer services & gift shop.

Community Fundraisers Support Trinity Health Breast Center

Trinity Health Breast Center (Muskegon) was the recipient of proceeds from two community fundraising efforts. FORTNA, a former Norton Shores company, held a golf tournament and raised \$18,375. Also, through Pledge the Pink, local advocates, Linda Porter and Lisa Smith, raised a total of \$18,681.63. These funds will support patients who are uninsured or underinsured as well as educational and equipment needs at the Breast Center.



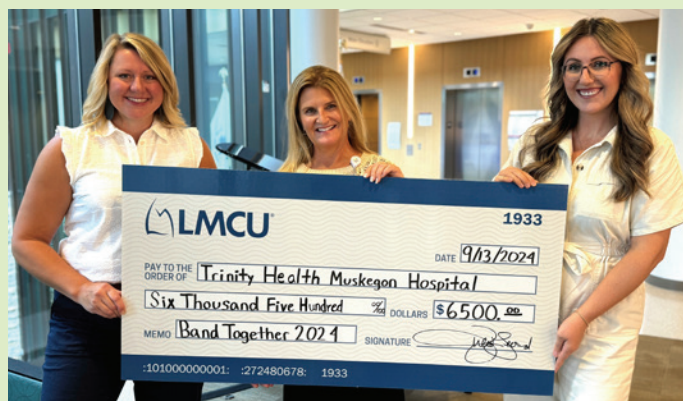
Remarkable Gift Enhances Cancer Care Experience

The Johnson Family Cancer Center in Muskegon received a \$100,000 anonymous gift that was used to support new furniture for the lobby and equipment for breast cancer patients, meeting needs and enhancing the overall care experience for patients.



Supporting Safe Sleep Thanks to LMCU

Representatives from LMCU's Band Together program recently presented a generous \$6,500 donation to the Birth Center at Trinity Health Muskegon! These funds will be used to continue our Safe Sleep for Babies program. "We are grateful for partners like LMCU, who annually come together to support the health and well-being of our community. We send a SleepSack™ home with each baby born at our Birth Center. This costs \$19,000 each year and is completely possible because of donations. Thank you LMCU!" said Megan Akselberg, stewardship & donor relations officer for Trinity Health – Muskegon, Shelby & Grand Haven.



Left to right: Hannah Tacoma, director, business development, LMCU; Megan Akselberg; and Aldina Babic, director, community relations, LMCU.



Savannah Cunningham and Timothy Reed greet customers with fresh produce from the farm at their stall at the Muskegon Farmers Market, showcasing the best of the season's harvest.

Cultivating Community Health and Support in Muskegon McLaughlin Grows Urban Farm

The McLaughlin Grows Urban Farm, on the campus of the legacy Hackley Hospital, offers nearly 50 types of fruits and vegetables. Supported by Trinity Health Muskegon since its inception in 2009, recently it was acquired by the hospital and continues to be focused on growing healthy communities through food, education and relationships.

“The farm was previously managed by Community enCompass, the former Housing Assessment Resource Agency for Muskegon County,” said Michael Ramsey, program implementation coordinator for Community Health & Well-Being at Trinity Health. “Access to healthful and nutritious food, coupled with

dietary education, continues to be an opportunity within many West Michigan communities.”

The farm partners with local schools and organizations to offer classes on health, nutrition, and food preparation, and to enhance access. The farm sells produce at the Muskegon Farmers Market and hosts pop-up markets.

The farm’s programs continue to grow, building on a legacy of community impact. “We are so pleased to have a program like this that truly makes a difference in our community,” said Claudine Weber, chief philanthropy officer. “It’s a wonderful opportunity for donors to support a cause that directly impacts the well-being of our neighbors.”

To learn more or to support the Farm at Trinity Health, contact 231-672-4890.



Share Your Gratitude

The Grateful Patient & Families program is available throughout the year. Gifts may be made in honor of any medical staff member, nurse, colleague, or department.



For more information, contact Emma Peterson, director of philanthropy, at 231-672-4814 or emma.peterson@trinity-health.org, or visit www.trinityhealth.michigan.org/shareyourgratitude.



Fostering Connections Through Our Retired Medical Staff Luncheons

October 18, 2023, marked the inaugural Retired Medical Staff Luncheon at Trinity Health Muskegon. The luncheon is an opportunity for retired physicians to stay engaged with Trinity Health and to connect to their peers. Led by Dr. Rem Sprague, Dr. Don Crandall, Dr. Rick Peters, and Dr. Janice McDonald, this luncheon focused on pulmonary medicine, the introduction of the Ion Robotic Bronchoscopy technology and other advancements from pulmonologists Dr. Scott Hagedorn and Dr. David Heger. The Retired Physicians’ Luncheon takes place semi-annually.

Thank you to Warner Norcross + Judd LLP for sponsoring our 2024 Retired Physicians’ Luncheon and Women for Health meetings.

Seated (left to right): Dr. Howard Sanden, Dr. David Hogan, Dr. Don Crandall, Dr. Ingram Kleaveland

Standing (left to right): Dr. James Flick, Dr. Tony Wilson, Dr. Scott Renton, Dr. Bao-Min Twu, Dr. Evan Reinders, Dr. Fred Levin, Dr. Joel Jarvis, Dr. Stephan Kahn, Dr. David Krencik, Dr. Ron Rop, Dr. Chris Marquart, Dr. Rick Peters, Dr. Jim Rice, Dr. Willard DeBraber, Dr. Veronica Petty, Dr. Rem Sprague, Dr. Mike Clark, Dr. Carol Markiewicz, Dr. Paul Wilson, Dr. John Egan, Dr. Janice McDonald, Dr. Dick Kamps, Dr. Herbert Miller, Dr. Ray Komray, Dr. Daniel Krislov, Dr. James Bos, Dr. Carl Gebuhr, Dr. Virgil Vasquez, and Dr. Kevin Stone.



Philanthropy Council

Our Philanthropy Council is comprised of local community members, physicians, and hospital colleagues. They serve as ambassadors for the health care system, working to raise funds to enhance the health and well-being of the communities we serve.

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| Kay Olthoff, <i>Chair</i> | Megan Doss | Scott Musselman |
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Honoring Shelley Brocci

with the Mark Fazakerley Spirit of Philanthropy Award



Gary Allore, president, left, and Claudine Weber, chief philanthropy officer, right, presented Shelley Brocci with the health system's top philanthropy award represented by a crystal heart.

Shelley Brocci, donor, philanthropy council member, and lead volunteer for the Patient & Family Resource Centers, has been recognized with the Mark Fazakerley Spirit of Philanthropy Award for her outstanding contributions to Trinity Health. Her journey began in 2011 after a positive experience in the Emergency Department, leading her to express gratitude through a letter to Trinity Health leaders.

Shelley, a self-described "connector," focuses on linking people with essential services. Her leadership led to the opening of the first Patient & Family Resource Center at the Johnson Family Cancer Center in 2013. Today, there are seven centers, with the newest in the Muskegon Emergency Department.

"I am so grateful to be a part of the organization and to have been provided with opportunities to help make the health care experience just a bit easier, to connect people with information and assistance, and to provide support to colleagues as they look to fulfill their patients' information needs," said Shelley. "Thanks to our dedicated group of volunteers and colleagues, all of us are working to live the Trinity Health Mission."

The crystal heart Shelley received symbolizes the deep impact she's made through her heart of philanthropy. Her dedication continues to strengthen our health system and touches countless lives!

Trinity Health Office of Philanthropy is dedicated to enhancing the superior care provided by our health system through financial support from the community. This support sustains our Mission to be a compassionate healing presence in the communities we serve.

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