# **2021** Annual Report

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## Mission

We reveal and foster God's healing love by improving the health of the people and communities we serve, especially those who are poor and vulnerable.

## Vision

Inspired by our faith, we will partner with our patients and communities to exceed their expectations for health.

## Values

**Caring Spirit** — We honor the sacred dignity of each person.

**Excellence** — We set and surpass high standards.

**Good Humor** — We create joyful and welcoming environments.

**Integrity** — We do the right thing with openness and pride.

**Safety** — We deliver care that seeks to eliminate all harm for patients and associates.

**Stewardship** — We are accountable for the resources entrusted to us.

## The Legacy Continues

2021 was a year of gratitude at Lutheran Medical Center Foundation! We are thankful for all that was given to us and for all that is to come.

The Lutheran Medical Center Foundation was blessed with donor support of more than \$2.6M, surpassing our revenue goal by more than 72%. We thank each of you for trusting in us to continue to provide state-of-theart, compassionate and exceptional medical care. Our community stands by us and supports our physicians, nurses, technicians and all caregivers with financial and emotional support and for all of this we are grateful!

As you read through our 2021 Lutheran Foundation Annual Report, you will learn about how we have funded more than \$1.6M for the hospital in areas including: behavioral health, hospice and palliative care, emergency and trauma services, neurosciences, oncology, cardiovascular services and obstetrics. You will also hear from our supporters and why they give back.

Lutheran has always cared for Jefferson County and West Denver families, and we always will. Maximizing the moment to seize a once-in-a-generation opportunity, we are now embarking on a new home for the next 100 years. As the population growth in the front range surges, we have the opportunity to build the hospital of the future in Wheat Ridge, Colorado.

In July, 2021, the Lutheran Medical Center Foundation Board approved a comprehensive fundraising campaign that will activate and inspire Jefferson County and Colorado to invest in Lutheran's and the region's healthcare future. The new Lutheran will be a replacement hospital to serve this growing community and elevate healthcare in the region by equipping doctors, nurses and leaders with pioneering medical technology.

Lutheran will strengthen its future as the heart of healthcare in Jefferson County, just as our founders did in 1904 when they saw a growing need. We will build upon our first one hundred years of providing excellent medical services and Lutheran's legacy will live on with pride with each new generation!

You can learn more about the new, replacement Lutheran Hospital by visiting TheLutheranLegacy.org. Please sign up for our e-newsletter to receive ongoing information about our future.

With gratitude,

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Elizabeth Brew, M.D., *Chair* Lutheran Medical Center Foundation Board of Directors

Kathie Repola

Kathie Repola, CFRE, *Executive Director* Lutheran Medical Center Foundation



## **Caring Comes Full Circle**

Many times patients contribute financially to support the Foundation because they are grateful for the fantastic care received at Lutheran. And many times, gifts are accompanied by a letter from the patient or family, expressing gratitude towards clinicians who cared for them. The Foundation created the Circle of Care program in late 2021 to begin hosting recognition ceremonies that honor and celebrate caregivers who work endlessly to provide exceptional care every day.

Since launching the program, the Lutheran Foundation has made its rounds honoring several practitioners and staff on behalf of grateful patients. The first ceremony held was for Dr. Bohuslav Finta and the Heart Center staff who received a donation from Marsha, an appreciative patient who had recently undergone heart surgery. Marsha also sent a heartfelt letter applauding the housekeeping staff for their daily cleaning, fresh linens, and kind gestures during her stay at Lutheran. She stated, "The housekeeping staff members represent the values of Lutheran Medical Center well."



Facing the end of a loved one's life is difficult and emotional. The caregivers working at Collier Hospice have a calling to care for patients during their last days. They are often alongside patients'

Dr. Bo Finta, Heart & Vascular Caregivers, and Foundation Staff at first Circle of Care ceremony hosted.

families and loved ones cherishing their final moments together. Collier Hospice extends its care to the bereaved by offering grief counseling for those who have recently lost someone dear. The care and support given by hospice caregivers are often reciprocated through donations to the Foundation

in memory of loved ones and in appreciation of the practitioners that helped with end-of-life care.

The husband of a patient who passed away while being cared for at home by our Lutheran Hospice team sent a note of gratitude accompanied by a donation. The message specifically mentioned Jean Meyers, RN. It stated, "Jean, Please accept our donation on behalf of all of your associates who



Dr. Tyler Kemmis and manager, Grover Bass pose at the new radiation oncology office with Circle of Care cookies.



Jean Meyer, RN and Lutheran Hospice team showing their love for Lutheran.

took care of my sweet wife. She loved to see each and everyone that came into our home." Although hospice work can be heart-wrenching, Jean expressed that she finds peace in caring for patients. She helps provide comfort and support and often sees them surrounded in love as goodbyes are shared.

A visit to the hospital can be stressful and scary. Receiving an unexpected diagnosis can be life-altering. Quality healthcare by compassionate providers makes a huge difference and does not go unnoticed by patients. A Colorado Gives Day donation made on behalf of Dr. Tyler Kemmis sent Foundation staff traveling to Red Rocks Medical Campus to visit the recently relocated Cancer Centers of Colorado – Lutheran Medical Center Radiation Oncology office. Dr. Kemmis and the Radiation Oncology team embody Lutheran's values of Excellence and Caring Spirit by providing exceptional care to patients and their families facing cancer challenges. It was a privilege to recognize the Rad-Onc

team with Circle of Care lapel pins, our thanks, and some sweet treats.

The Lutheran Foundation team has been honored to share the appreciation from grateful patients and their families to our outstanding associates through the Circle of Care program. We extend our heartfelt thanks to our donors and caregivers, helping us make care and gratitude come full circle.

## **Dedication Runs Deep: Doctor, Donor, Director**

From doctor to donor to director serving on the Lutheran Medical Center Foundation Board, the Foundation is honored to have had many physicians fulfill all three roles (sometimes simultaneously) over the years. Such is the case for two leading ladies who serve on the Lutheran Foundation Board and graciously gave significant gifts in 2021.



Dr. Elizabeth (Betsy) Brew is a well-known and respected surgeon, having worked in the Lutheran community since 1996. She attended the University of Colorado's School of Medicine for her Residency and began her career as a general surgeon with Foothills Surgical Associates. In 2010, Foothills merged with Surgical Specialists of Colorado (SSOC), where Dr. Brew continues to practice. SSOC is an essential partner of Lutheran Medical Center and plays a big part in our Medical Staff Leadership at the hospital.

Not surprisingly, Dr. Brew was recruited to be a part of the Lutheran Foundation Board. After discussion with her partners, she decided that the Foundation was well worth being involved in and joined in 2016. Dr. Brew then recruited her husband, Bob Van Wetter, to join the Finance Committee with the Foundation. After two years of Bob serving in this role and doing such a great job, Bob was asked to join the Board of Directors. Dr. Brew believes that her husband's participation on the Board after her 20 years at Lutheran gave him an "understanding and appreciation of the hospital." Dr. Brew also highlighted that her husband "brings a whole different set of skills" to the organization. Bob will succeed his wife as Chair of the Board in 2022, with Dr. Brew having served as Chairwoman for three years prior. This devoted couple has contributed invaluable insight and support for the hospital and Foundation.

Dr. Brew feels that the Lutheran Foundation embodies "all the things that make her proud of being a physician here." She believes that Lutheran has a "tremendous culture of caring and commitment to the community." She also respects the "loyalty from patients and physicians." Although she recognizes that there are apprehensions regarding the new hospital and that "change is hard, especially for Wheat Ridge," her involvement in The Legacy Continues fundraising campaign will ensure that Lutheran's accessibility and exemplary care will continue. Dr. Brew and Bob have committed to a sizable lead gift to the campaign and supported the Foundation with past donations. The dedication of their time, energy, and financial investments to the Lutheran community is much appreciated.



Dr. Jennifer Caskey is a renowned and beloved Oncologist Hematologist who began caring for the Lutheran community through her private practice in 1989. She was an integral part of the Cancer Services department, serving as Medical Director of the program for many years.

During her tenure, Dr. Caskey was also a member of Lutheran's Cancer Committee and the Credentialing Committee, serving as Chair for the latter. Her service proved that she strived to provide high-quality care

### **Dedication Runs Deep, continued**

to patients and lend her knowledge and expertise to many leadership roles.

Shortly after joining Lutheran's staff, Dr. Caskey began donating to the Lutheran Foundation because she believed in the mission and patient care being delivered at the hospital. She noted her love for practicing at Lutheran and working with multiple departments to discuss and treat cases collaboratively. Dr. Caskey felt that patients were well supported, especially as the Cancer Center began to grow and offer ancillary services. Adding nutrition, navigation services, genetic counseling, clinical trials, physical therapy, and social work enabled more holistic care.

### "Lutheran has a tremendous culture of caring and commitment to the community."

Dr. Caskey's donations have primarily supported Cancer Services and Collier Hospice, which she considers great assets to Lutheran and the community. The Hospice and Medical Oncology teams have developed a strong partnership, and Dr. Caskey is "so thankful for the care that Hospice provides." Dr. Caskey furthermore supported the capital campaign for the Lutheran Breast Center, as that was a personal interest in her career. She valued that the hospital devoted resources to making the breast program one of the most recognized in the Denver metro area. The giving of her time, knowledge, care and dollars did not cease with her retirement in 2017. Instead, Dr. Caskey joined the Board of Directors on the Lutheran Medical Center Foundation, where she continues to serve to this day.

When asked why she chose to serve on the Board, Dr. Caskey states that she has "lots of gratitude for practicing at Lutheran" and that doing so "made [her] career meaningful and rewarding." She said that she is "thankful to have worked in the environment at Lutheran" and enjoys "giving back after having been given so much." In 2021, Dr. Caskey agreed to cochair The Legacy Continues campaign and pledged a major gift toward the New Replacement Lutheran facility to see Lutheran's legacy of quality care continue for patients in the future.

Drs. Brew and Caskey epitomize the values and mission of Lutheran Medical Center. Their legacies have intertwined with Lutheran, helping to create an excellent and reliable community hospital. The dedication throughout both their careers runs deep. And will continue to be a beacon for what is to come as we journey to a new location while upholding our same legacy.



# 2021 Awards & Recognition

- Designated **Level II Trauma Center** meaning Lutheran is able to initiate definitive care for all injured patients
- Chest Pain MI Registry **Platinum Performance** Achievement Award
- **The Leapfrog Group "A"** for 13th time since 2014 and 9th consecutive – an indicator of how well hospitals protect patients from preventable errors, injuries and infections (patient safety)
- AHA/ASA Get with the Guidelines Stroke GOLD PLUS with Honor roll Elite Plus and Advanced Therapy

Women's Choice Award - Best Hospitals

Newsweek Magazine – Newsweek's **Best Maternity** Care Hospitals 2021

### **Other Accomplishments**

- Lutheran Foundation Approved five-year **"The Legacy Continues"** Fundraising Campaign
- Lutheran Replacement Hospital Groundbreaking
- Partnered with City of Wheat Ridge to conduct stakeholder meetings for public input on Lutheran Legacy Campus design
- Lutheran Legacy **Campus Master Plan approved** by Wheat Ridge City Council
- Letter of Intent to merge SCL Health with Intermountain Health



# Measures of Impact for 2021



raised in 2021



transferred to Lutheran Medical Center in 2021



in grants received in 2021



total cash and investments in 2021





# **Financial Health**



### Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2021

<b>ASSETS</b> Cash and Cash Equivalents Pledge Receivables, Short-term <b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	\$ 677,351 6,938 684,289	<b>LIABILITIES</b> Accounts Payable Due to Hospital <b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	\$ 1,172 802,319 803,491
Investments Land, Buildings and Equipment, net Pledge Receivables, Long-term	\$ 16,662,468 4,790 62,000 16,729,258	<b>NET ASSETS</b> Net Assets Without Donor Restriction Net Assets With Donor Restriction	\$ 4,798,540 11,811,516 16,610,056
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 17,413,547	TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$ 17,413,547

## **Board & Staff**



#### 2021 Board of Directors

Dr. Elizabeth Brew – Chair Dr. Jennifer Caskey – Vice Chair & Secretary Bob Van Wetter – Treasurer Christa Dobbs

### Dr. Robert D. Hunter Julia McVey Jared Mosher John O'Dorisio Kathie Repola, CFRE – *Executive Director*

Jahi Simbai Frank Teunissen Zachary Urban Grant Wicklund – Regional President Western Colorado and President Lutheran Medical Center Dr. John Witwer

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# Ways to Give

The Lutheran Medical Center Foundation gratefully accepts outright gifts and pledges to support Lutheran Medical Center's mission. No gift is too small, and your gift will be used for the project or program of your choice. Your contributions are tax deductible as allowed by law, and you will receive a letter of acknowledgment for tax purposes.

#### **Donate by Mail or Phone**

Donations are accepted over the phone at 303-467-4800 or by mail at: Lutheran Medical Center Foundation 8300 W. 38th Avenue Wheat Ridge, CO 80033 Payments Accepted: Cash, Check, Credit/Debit Card, Cashier's Check or Money Order

#### **Online Giving**

Visit www.supportlutheran.org to make a secure, online donation today with a credit or debit card. Onetime and recurring payment options are available.

#### **Planned Giving**

Planned gifts provide resources that create extraordinary opportunities and preserve our future. Planned gifts include cash and pledge gifts of bequests, trusts, life insurance, and retirement assets.

### **Corporate Giving**

Help your company and your employees make an impact here at Lutheran Medical Center. Get involved with the Lutheran Foundation through contributions, grants, or events via corporate gifts and sponsorships.

#### **Foundation and Corporate Grants**

We welcome the opportunity to work with Foundations and corporations on philanthropic grants to the Lutheran Medical Center Foundation.

#### **Stocks and Appreciated Securities**

One way to boost your charitable contributions is to give shares of appreciated stock instead of cash. They are easily valued without an appraisal and easy to transfer. Donating appreciate securities before they are sold typically results in a tax advantage. A tax deduction is normally allowed based on the market value at the time of the gift. Since the deduction is based on current value, rather than cost, no tax is paid on the appreciation. Speak with your financial advisor when considering this option.

### **Tribute Gifts**

Tribute gifts are giving in honor or memory of a special person – perhaps a caregiver, family member or friend. They are given in thoughtful remembrance of a life; in recognition of a special occasion; or in appreciation of service. These tributes serve as a permanent expression of love, honor and recognition.

#### Endowments

Endowments are invested for growth and income in a diversified portfolio and are strategically managed. Each endowment distribution is used according to the donor's intent as outlined in a formal agreement between the donor and the Foundation. Funds earned from an endowment may support a program and are distributed by the hospital annually in accordance with the policies established by the Lutheran Foundation.

### **Real Estate**

The Lutheran Foundation accepts gifts of real estate, including houses, condominiums, commercial properties, farm land, rental property, and undeveloped land after a thorough review of the property and its potential usage by the Foundation.





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