

AUGUSTA HEALTH IS PLEASED TO SHARE KEY PHILANTHROPIC PRIORITIES WITH OUR COMMUNITY.

Philanthropic Priorities

The Gardens at Augusta Health

Well-designed gardens and other nature visuals reduce stress and support healing. Trees, greenery, flowers, and water elements are strongly associated with restorative influences on mood allowing patients, families, and team members to recuperate and decompress.

Augusta Health has designated an area near the newly built Outpatient Pavilion and a short walk from the hospital to become botanical gardens. The Gardens at Augusta Health are positioned to become a haven for anyone who visits Augusta Health's campus. Designed to include winding paths among native plants and grasses, the gardens will attract birds, wildlife, and pollinators. A section will be designated to memorialize our community's COVID-19 experience.

Your gifts to the Gardens at Augusta Health will offer a place for patients, families, and team members to rest and rejuvenate in a relaxing environment showcasing the tranquil beauty of the Shenandoah Valley.

PHILANTHROPIC NEED: \$750,000





Augusta Health Mobile Clinic

Improving community health requires addressing barriers to care. In Staunton, Augusta County, and Waynesboro, this means taking care on the road to make health care accessible.

Augusta Health Mobile Clinic provides primary care, chronic disease management, maternal health navigation, and addiction services to underserved members in our area. Services are provided independent of social status, disability, income, insurance, citizenship, or preferred language.

Your gifts to the mobile clinic will expand services to more underserved communities, increase the number of patients served, and provide resources for a multidisciplinary clinical team to care for vulnerable populations.

PHILANTHROPIC NEED: \$500,000

Graduate Medical Education

The United States faces a looming shortage of primary care physicians and the Shenandoah Valley is no exception.

Augusta Health has been approved to establish a new internal medicine residency program to train the next generation of physicians. This program will create highly sought-after graduate medical training positions and build a pipeline for future physicians to care for our community.

As a community-owned health system, this is a bold and courageous strategy that is necessary to develop the future workforce required to meet the health care needs of people in our region.

Gifts will fund endowed faculty positions and dedicated spaces for medical residents to provide patient care. Also, specially-equipped learning environments will use the latest technology for morning reports, meetings, and grand round presentations.

PHILANTHROPIC NEED: \$3,000,000

Patient Transportation Assistance



Unreliable transportation is a barrier to community health and a major obstacle for income constrained individuals in Staunton, Augusta County, Waynesboro and surrounding counties. Common transportation barriers faced by Augusta Health patients include limited or no access to a vehicle, no family members/friends to provide transportation, long distances traveled for treatment across a rural network, rising fuel costs, seniors unable to drive themselves, and unreliable community-based transportation. Patients who find themselves in this situation must often reschedule treatments, resulting in delayed or cancelled care.

Moreover, Augusta Health treats many patients who are ready for discharge with no means to leave the hospital.

Commercial insurance doesn't pay for transportation, options available through Medicaid are often unreliable and delayed, and local public transportation is limited.

Gifts to this fund will ensure access to critical care, treatment, and rehabilitation services for almost 1,000 area residents each year.

PHILANTHROPIC NEED: \$105,000



Medical Laboratory Science Education Scholarships

The Medical Laboratory Science Education training program at Augusta Health began more than 50 years ago at Kings Daughters Hospital in Staunton.

Skilled laboratory scientists are critical to excellence in medicine, allowing physicians to make informed decisions and diagnoses. Scholarships support diverse students, studying here from across the country, who are pursuing advanced education in laboratory sciences and continue a legacy of excellence by attracting and retaining the most qualified professionals in the field.

Your gifts to Medical Laboratory Science Education provide scholarship awards equivalent to comparable study programs.

PHILANTHROPIC NEED: \$50,000

Professional Development for Caregivers

Access to excellent care is a pillar of Augusta Health's mission. As treatment modalities evolve, training new and experienced clinical teams becomes critical to meeting the diverse healthcare needs of the community.

Between 2021 and 2022, Augusta Health Foundation provided approximately \$90,000 to support clinical training, and professional development to improve care for the community.

Gifts to Augusta Health Foundation fund professional development for nurses, therapists, technicians, advanced practitioners, and other team members who directly support patient care.

PHILANTHROPIC NEED: \$150,000



ONE HUNDRED PERCENT — that's exactly how much of your generous gift will go directly to the programs and initiatives that you support through Augusta Health Foundation. While most nonprofit organizations need significant portions of your gift to provide for administrative expenses — we're different. Thanks to our partnership with Augusta Health and their commitment to fund the operating expenses of the Foundation, your gift can now have maximum and lasting impact on the healthcare of our patients.

Cancer Services Bridge Fund

In addition to excellent clinical care, compassion, and understanding, some cancer patients need financial assistance to eliminate barriers to care. This fund will provide financial support when a critical need arises and no other assistance is available.

Your gift could assist with prescriptions or nutritional supplements not covered by patient assistance programs or insurance. Uninsured patients often need support for upfront costs for port placements prior to starting IV chemotherapy and financial assistance for mastectomy bras and lymphedema sleeves after surgery.

Your gift will enable cancer patients to receive care and services that they might not be able to afford.

PHILANTHROPIC NEED: \$85,000



Augusta Health

is a community-owned, nonprofit health system committed to the health and well-being of residents in Augusta County, Staunton, Waynesboro, and the surrounding Shenandoah Valley region.

Augusta Health Foundation

began its mission in 2013 to inspire community ownership through charitable giving to advance health and wellness in our region.

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