

Friends For Life

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Years of Philanthropy

It is a transformational time at Mercy Hospitals of Bakersfield and the Friends of Mercy Foundation. Read on and you'll agree that Mercy Hospital is uniquely positioned to care for all residents by expanding vital services, while continuing our legacy of providing care in the hospitals and in the areas of most critical need. Join us in celebrating our healing ministry and see what you can do to create your own legacy.



**Friends of Mercy
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Dear Friends of Mercy,

As Mercy Hospital of Bakersfield enters its 108th year of providing care and comfort to our community, we are proud to share with you the 30 years of successes of the Friends of Mercy Foundation, which was founded in 1988 by longtime supporter Jim Burke and other community leaders.

The Friends of Mercy Foundation was an evolution of the philanthropic heart of our community, as Mercy Hospital was built and sustained on generosity. The original hospital, the St. Clair House, was donated in 1910.

In 1913, when the community outgrew the home, the hospital was constructed for \$41,000 by a donation from William S. DeGana, who asked to remain anonymous until his death. When the market crashed in 1929, Henry Jastro cut the debt owed by the Sisters of Mercy for the property on Truxtun Avenue in half, while the community rallied and pledged \$47,000 to keep the hospital from closing. In 1952, when Mercy Hospital was destroyed in an earthquake, benefactors like William Howell and Ralph Smith came forward to launch a campaign to rebuild. In 1979, Adelaide Karpe left a large piece of prime farm land to the hospital –which has been leased to local farmers to generate funds for services in the hospital and beyond the walls, where the needs are the greatest.

While we gratefully reflect on our legacy that is rich and unique in our community, it is with enthusiasm that we witness the state of the art, compassionate care we are providing today. And we are humbled to be a part of what is to come in the near future...the building of a patient care tower on the Dignity Health Mercy Hospital Southwest Campus, bringing much needed services to west Bakersfield.

Our success, however, depends on our generous donor community. Our future growth will offer an opportunity for grateful patients, local businesses, leaders and Friends of Mercy to make their own lasting legacy, impacting the lives of all in our community through civic leadership and generous charitable giving.

Your giving also supports the inspiring faith of our beloved Sisters of Mercy, whose guiding hand forever rests gently on the shoulders of us all. We hope you will join us, Mercy Hospital, Friends of Mercy Foundation, and Dignity Health, in advancing our mission of bringing compassionate, quality healthcare to all – regardless of their backgrounds and beliefs, rich or poor – with a mission of human kindness, compassion and excellence.

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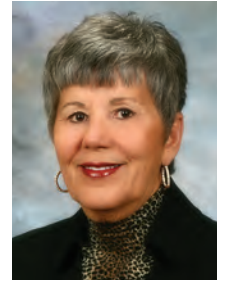
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1988 Foundation Founding

This year, 2018, represents 30 years of fundraising to further the mission and ministry of Mercy Hospitals of Bakersfield and the Sisters of Mercy – within the hospital and in the areas of our community where the needs are the greatest.

“Looking back on my time serving as chair of the Friends of Mercy, I now realize that I was profoundly moved by the sisters’ dedication to their mission here in Bakersfield. It was a privilege to volunteer and, like the special members of the Friends of Mercy Board, provide support for the hospital, the sisters and our community.”

— Leonard Bidart

Over \$35,000,000 raised including some of the notable campaigns:

- Florence R. Wheeler Cancer Center Campaign
- Advancing Technology for Mercy Hospitals Campaign
- The Family Birth Center Renovation Campaign
- Mercy’s New Century Campaign: Renovated Mercy Pavilion and Entrance, Mercy Southwest Garden, ER and NICU, and Community Wellness Center
- SA Camp Companies Robotic Surgical Center Campaign



1988 Planned Giving and Adelaide’s Circle of Caring



Adelaide Karpe’s relationship with Mercy Hospital began in the 1970s when her critically ill husband, Arthur, was being cared for by caring nurses including Sister Marion Joseph, who was also a hospital administrator. Eternally grateful for the care her husband received, Adelaide would hold Mercy dear to her heart until her death in 1979, when the hospital received a bequest from her of a 1,166-acre ranch.

The Karpe Ranch has been leased to local ranchers for 40 years, and continues to fund vital Mercy Hospital projects including state-of-the-art technology, and outreach services provided to the poor. It is this gift that now values at nearly \$27 million and in many ways is the first gift for the Mercy Southwest Tower Expansion. *(That is legacy and impact!)*

1990 Mercy Charity Golf Classic



28 Years of
Comradery

In 2018, the Friends of Mercy Foundation held its 28th Annual Mercy Charity Golf Classic which began with employees from Mercy's Engineering department having a day on the course. They charged each other a little more than what it cost to golf and donated the balance of \$17.82 to the Friends of Mercy Foundation. This was the catalyst for what has become the Mercy Charity Golf Classic. Their gesture has grown to more than \$1,900,000 raised in support of advanced equipment and technology. Thank you to all of the sponsors, golfers, raffle donors, volunteers, and host golf courses that have supported this tournament!

\$1,900,000 raised to support:

- Technology and services for oncology related needs
- The creation and opening of the only inpatient Cancer Unit in Kern County
- The daVinci Robot
- The Women's Care Center
- Advancements in the imaging department

Save the date for the 29th Annual Mercy Charity Golf Classic:
Friday, June 7, 2019 at Stockdale Country Club



Adelaide's Circle of Caring (formerly known as the Mercy Heritage Society) was established to honor Adelaide Karpe's generous gift and recognize donors who have remembered Mercy with a bequest or through a planned gift. Others have joined in Adelaide's legacy, and made commitments to Mercy Hospital through planned giving.

You don't have to have a vast fortune to leave a generous gift and create your own legacy. Most people are surprised at

the variety of options, tax advantages and impact a planned gift can make. You can even make a gift that costs you nothing during your life time, or a gift that pays you income for life. Please call the Foundation office at 661-663-6700 and we will connect you with a planning specialist, at no cost to you, to help you determine the most advantageous way to establish your legacy.

30 Years of
Legacy

"A charitable gift annuity presents a win-win situation. And because it provides the tax deduction for the donor, it's a great incentive."

— Bill Bush

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Catherine McAuley Society Charter Members

"I am so grateful to share the joy of giving back to our patients and our community through the generosity of an amazing group of like-minded women."

— Pat Campbell, Charter Member

2005 Catherine McAuley Society



Catherine McAuley, Foundress of the Sisters of Mercy dedicated her life to helping care for the sick and vulnerable. This tradition of helping those who need it most continues at Mercy Hospitals thanks to the generosity of the Catherine McAuley Society – a group

of philanthropic women founded in 2005, and dedicated to helping Mercy provide compassionate care.

13 Years of Charity

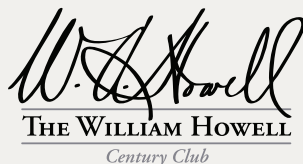
\$1,423,000 raised to support:

- Advanced retinal scanning for NICU babies
- Blue Light Cystoscopy for detection of bladder cancer
- Arctic Sun to treat cardiac arrest patients
- Breast MRI
- Sleeper chairs and sofas
- OR upgrades
- NICU monitoring
- State of the art Ultrasound
- Skin ulcer prevention equipment
- Simulation Equipment for staff training
- Nursing Scholarships for single parents

2010 William Howell Century Club



Benefactor, Mr. William Howell, Sr.



9 Years of Fellowship

Mercy Hospital was founded by a philanthropic effort more than 108 years ago, an effort that was led by one of Bakersfield's leaders – Mr. William Howell, Sr. Throughout his life, Mr. Howell remained a trusted friend to the Sisters of Mercy. When Mercy Hospital needed philanthropic assistance, he was the first to give and gave generously. In 2010, the William Howell Century Club was created to honor his legacy.

\$750,000 raised to support:

- Glidescope for the Mercy Downtown Emergency Department
- Advanced ultrasound for Interventional Radiology procedures
- iPad based translation program for hearing impaired patients
- Bi-Pap Ventilator Machines
- Three ultrasound units for the PICC Line Department
- Compact digital ultrasound for the surgery department
- Digital Mobile C-Arm (X-ray imaging equipment)
- Portable X-Ray for Mercy Hospital Southwest, bringing diagnosis and treatment options to the bedside.
- Digital Vein Finders

"It has been a privilege to carry on the legacy of a pioneer like William Howell, who was instrumental in facilitating health care in Bakersfield with the Sisters of Mercy. The William Howell Century Club continues to carry on his vision of healing for all through the purchase of advanced technology used at Mercy Hospitals."

— George Cappello, Charter Member

2013 Legacy Circle at Mercy



LEGACY CIRCLE
at Mercy

6 Years of
Commitment

A unique group of local philanthropists are forging their own legacy of giving as members of the Legacy Circle at Mercy. Many members of this group have a long family history of giving to Mercy Hospitals, and have made the selfless decision to continue this giving into the future.

"Both my wife and I feel that the Legacy Circle is a great way to continue the tradition of giving established by other members of our community. We are blessed to be part of such a great group and have enjoyed watching it grow to its current membership level."

— Mike Anchordoquy, Charter Member

\$115,000 given to support:

- An advanced perinatal ultrasound for the Family Birth Center
- TCO2 Monitor for the NICU
- Sleeper chairs for the Family Birth Center
- Blanket LED Phototherapy Systems for the NICU
- A Pediatric Project—Broselow carts and iPads
- Two Vein Finders



Some of the 2017 Legacy Circle members

2010 Our Spirit of Giving – Mercy Begins with Me

Mercy Hospitals have a deep history of giving to the mission established by the Sisters of Mercy. From the beginning of the hospital in 1910, Mercy employees have always been one of the first to give to every campaign, and have always given generously. In 2010, a formal employee giving campaign was initiated, allowing for employees to give via automatic payroll deduction. Last year, 92% of management and above, and 38% of employees participated in the program. Members can choose from hospital based or

outreach projects for 100% of their donation to fund. Our Spirit of Giving demonstrates that the Mercy Spirit isn't only in word, but lived out daily in our deeds.

"I give to Mercy because I am grateful and I am blessed enough to give back. When you are giving, you are also receiving."

— Ray DeClaro

\$1,084,506 given to support:

- Music Therapy program
- Homemaker Care training
- Simulation Equipment
- Outreach Van
- IV medication detectors
- Panda Warmer
- Upgraded computer lab
- Cardiac Output Monitor
- Mercy Park
- Comfort Carts



Mercy Begins with Me
Our Spirit of Giving

108 Years of
Tradition

The following are some of the patients that have donated to the Foundation in honor of their caregivers at Mercy Hospital. Thank you for allowing us to continue the healing ministry of Mercy!

“My contribution is made as a thank you to Dr. Coppola. He is my hero, my Knight in Shining Armour! Thank you Dr. Coppola for fixing a hip that had caused me pain for over a year! I am off to Mammoth to Ski.”

– Sam



“Everyone was exceptional taking care of me during my stays for chemotherapy. I would like to thank everyone in that unit!!!”

– Sam

“Lisa was very nurturing and friendly. She helped me during my delivery and was very informative with every step of the way since this was my first baby. I felt so comfortable and she was able to calm my husband down with the delivery process”

– Laura

“Hi Dr. Crenshaw, You are my heroine. You delivered my now 17-year-old son, (who was 32 weeks premature) and performed two abdominal surgeries on me. I thank God you exist and forever grateful. May God bless you and your family.”

– Love, Lu Molina & Family



“My husband and I welcomed our third daughter on 1/17/18, and we did not have a name picked for her since she was a gender surprise. Our nurse went above and beyond and we ended up naming our daughter after her. Olive Rae Smith. Thank you nurse Rae. Your kind heart will never be forgotten.”

– Shelly

“She (Kayelalah) was so good to my mother and us during her recovery. She is just so sweet too.”

– Alana



“Care was knowledgeable, comforting and so appreciated. Having an emergency c-section was hard — emotionally & physically. The on staff nurses & Dr. Ghai really helped me through it all. Forever Grateful!”

– Anna

“These two ladies (Sallie and Jeanette) stood out with their very good care, but the others whose names we aren’t sure of were outstanding too. We told all of them if we get a need for help we will not hesitate to come to Mercy.”

– Susan & Russell (from Texas)



“I received excellent care. Hailey was a godsend and helped my granddaughter who was dealing with watching her grandma go through so much!”

– Michelle





30 Years of
Advancement

Services fund to purchase an endoscopic ultrasound for the Gastroenterology Department at Mercy Hospital Downtown and 3D digital Breast Tomosynthesis for the Women's Imaging Center at Mercy Southwest. Nearly \$140,000 from the 2018 Golf Tournament was designated to fund an endobronchial ultrasound, which is used to diagnose lung cancer.

This is the technology and service our community deserves, and Mercy Hospital is making it possible with your support.

The Friends of Mercy Foundation is grateful to our donors that

Oncology Services and the S.A. Camp Companies Robotic Surgical Center

Mercy Hospitals is committed to staying on the cutting edge when it comes to technology and expertise, and it is because of the Friends of Mercy Foundation that we can deliver. As the only hospital in Kern County with an inpatient cancer unit, we want to ensure we are improving detection of cancers and offering the most advanced treatments, right here, in the community we live.

In the fall of 2017, the S.A. Camp family gift and the generosity of our donors, resulted in raising \$1.15 million for the purchase of the daVinci Xi. Mercy Hospital has quickly positioned itself as one of the top robotic surgical

programs in the region. Led by the only fellowship trained colorectal surgeon in Kern County, Dr. Lorenc Malellari, the program has expanded to include robotically trained gynecologist and the only uro-gynecologist in Kern County. Eleven additional physicians have been credentialed and are using the robot for an array of surgical procedures. Use of the daVinci Xi allows patients to have fewer post-operative complications and faster recovery – all while remaining close to their friends and families.

The Friends of Mercy Foundation also proudly allocated \$500,000 from its restricted Oncology



have made a gift in support of oncology services. To support the Friends of Mercy Foundation's commitment to oncology services call (661) 663-6700 or visit www.SupportFriendsofMercy.org.

The Future of Mercy Southwest

The Mercy Southwest Patient Care Tower

Nearly two decades ago, physicians began opening their practices in close vicinity to Mercy Southwest in anticipation of expansion. Additionally, the area surrounding the Southwest campus is projected to increase 7% over the next five years. As such, the Mercy Southwest campus is placed in perfect proximity to the highest growth area of medical services and residential communities. Together, we will make the expansion a reality for our gifted physicians and their patients.

The proposed 142,617 square feet tower will be built on the existing Southwest campus, consisting of four floors and 106 patient beds. The newly designed larger, private rooms will feature an efficient design. We will remodel the campus to accommodate for an increase in volume and procedure types in the operating rooms, imaging, admitting, and public areas. New entry points and additional parking spaces will also be implemented to improve access.



Expansion of Orthopedic Services

We are home to the largest orthopedic center in Kern County. Currently, more than 80 procedures are performed monthly and this number is expected to increase due to the recently acquired O-arm for advanced 3D spine mapping. Enhancements to orthopedics will also allow additional orthopedists in the region with ranging specialties to care for their patients at our facility. In turn, this will make Mercy Southwest home to the largest group of orthopedic doctors in Bakersfield and increase patient volume for orthopedics.



Expanded Family Birth Center & Neonatal Intensive Care

Mercy Southwest has one of the largest OB/GYN practices in Kern County. Our Family Birth Center delivers more than 230 babies monthly, with the number gradually increasing each year. The additional number of post-partum and private, state of the art neonatal intensive care beds will ensure that new mothers can comfortably recover and families can welcome their newborns in well designed, healing space. We know that noise is a risk factor for our most vulnerable NICU babies, so allowing for individual suites will create the quiet environment we strive for.



Expanded Medical / Surgical / Telemetry & Intensive Care Units

Over the past year, Mercy Southwest has exceeded 49,272 emergency visits, treating 140 patients per day. Additional beds are needed in order to provide an outlet for our emergency department, thus creating a more efficient flow into and through the emergency room. The additional rooms will all be private, designed using best practices that allow for the most efficient use of space and creation of a truly healing atmosphere.

Neurosciences & Certified Stroke Receiving Center

Mercy Hospital is a certified stroke receiving center, receiving the Gold Plus Quality Award for the American Heart Association and American Stroke Association's "Get with the Guidelines-Stroke Program." The addition of equipment to the Mercy Southwest campus to perform neurosurgical interventions will mean patients will not have to transfer to other facilities, saving time that will result in significantly improved outcomes.



Cardiovascular Services

The addition of medical and interventional cardiology services will be a transformational addition to the Southwest campus. With this expansion, Mercy Southwest will be a cardiac receiving facility for patients who need emergent intervention. The construction of two state of the art catheterization laboratories at Mercy Southwest will provide advanced cardiovascular procedures for patients who have experienced heart or vascular abnormalities.





1992

Community Outreach – Beyond the Walls

26 Years of
Impact

Following the legacy of the Sisters of Mercy, our footprint goes beyond the walls of our campuses to the areas of our community that have the greatest needs. Our Department of Special Needs and Community Outreach is funded through Mercy and Memorial Hospitals, as well as Mercy Hospital's employee giving campaign, personal gifts and grant funding.

In FY 2017-2018

- 97,162 community members were served through 45 programs
- 5,593 hours were donated by volunteers
- \$539,851 was raised and transferred from the Foundation for outreach services
- 26 grants were applied for from private trusts and foundations

"You foster our mission by your giving, as we walk into the future, as we walk into so many new needs in our community"

— Sister Judy Morasci



June 2018

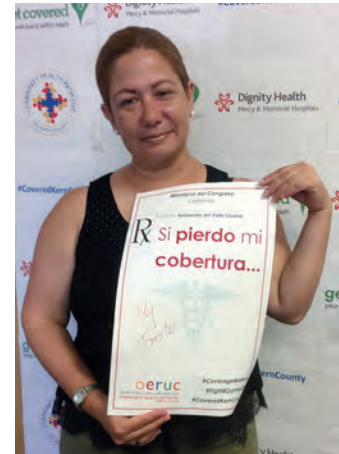
A month at a glance

- 427 participated in Art for Healing programs to heal grief, trauma and life transitions through various creative modalities;
- 1,405 individuals had food and pantry services to combat hunger;
- 1,369 were enrolled in insurance and educated on how to utilize benefits;
- 2 burial services were paid;
- 51 children received health education in underserved schools with the highest incidence of obesity;
- 585 health screenings were performed;
- 88 disabled or elderly adults received in home care services allowing them to age in place
- 68 community members received bus passes;
- 824 participated in water, yoga or Zumba classes to improve health status;
- 50 children received homework/after school club services in two separate locations;
- 76 patients received clothing upon being discharged from the hospital;
- 149 community members received diapers, clothing and household items;
- 182 community based referrals to other agencies were made.

Since 1992, these services have been a true extension of our healing ministry. Please join us in this important mission. Call the Friends of Mercy Foundation today.



*"We should be shining lamps,
giving light to all around us."*
— Catherine McAuley



Founders Circle

The Friends of Mercy Foundation gives special recognition to its donors who have contributed a total of \$10,000 or more. We sincerely appreciate the support and generosity of our Founders Circle members listed on these pages.

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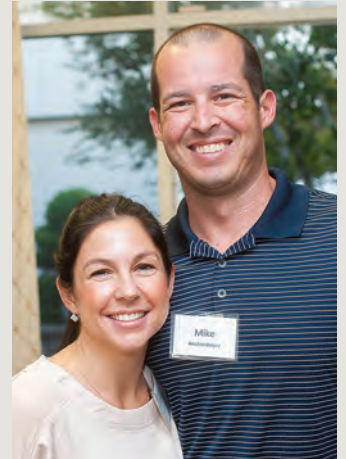


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