

Furthering the Mission of Washington Hospital Healthcare System since 1983

From the Desk of the Executive Director



The Foundation and our entire community has been buzzing with energy and excitement about all the growth happening at

Washington Hospital.

If you haven't yet heard the news, Washington Hospital Healthcare System has been approved by Alameda County Emergency Medical Services Agency to become the next designated Level II Adult Trauma Center in the County in the next 5 years! This is a momentous milestone for the Hospital and speaks to the core of our commitment to the health care needs of our growing community for generations to come. Thanks to all of you for your community advocacy efforts and your ongoing commitment to our Hospital.

The Hospital's recent trauma designation,

The Foundation's Legacy Society continues to grow, and now has 8 members who've committed more than \$2.5M in future gifts to the Hospital to critical care services, nursing education and other areas of greatest need. If you're interested in exploring options for how you can leave an impactful legacy on the health and wellbeing of our community, while accessing numerous financial benefits, we invite you to contact us or attend our upcoming free estate planning seminar on September 15th.

And the news you've all been waiting for...the 36th Annual Top Hat Gala will return, in-person, on Saturday, October 8th! Funds raised will help the Hospital acquire lifesaving equipment and technology for the Trauma Center, such as advanced imaging and diagnostic tools, to ensure physicians and staff can rapidly stabilize, diagnose and care for severely-injured patients with complex, life-threatening injuries.

As the population of our community continues

coupled with the growth of other important programs like oncology, neurosurgery and palliative care, presents an exciting opportunity for the Foundation to continue to educate the community and build strong philanthropic partnerships to empower the Hospital's future.

to grow and its health care needs evolve, we're grateful for all you do for Washington Hospital to ensure that every member of community can receive the highest-quality health care, where and when they need it most.

Sarah G. Gemski
Executive Director
Washington Hospital Healthcare Foundation

Foundation Update



Each year, the Gallacher family awards The Douglas Gallacher, MD, Memorial Scholarship to high school seniors in the Tri-city area pursuing studies in a science-related field. Three winners were chosen this year: Anshika Bedi, Newark Memorial High School; Elena Lopez, Arroyo High School; and Srishti Singhal, John F. Kennedy High School. Congratulations to all the winners!



The Dr. Albert V. Assali Scholarship will be awarded annually to a high school senior OR college student currently enrolled in a U.S Accredited College. Applications deadline is Wednesday, August 31st.

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Mythri Ambatipudi, a recent Harvard graduate and president of Woolly Warmth, generously donated handmade knitted caps, sweaters, socks & blankets to the Pediatric Department. Since her freshman year in high school, Mythri and dozens of Woolly Warmth volunteers have donated thousands of knitted items to Washington Hospital patients.



Welcome Back! Let's Celebrate!

Join Washington Hospital Healthcare Foundation for a welcome back Top Hat Gala celebration on **Saturday, October 8, 2022** in the Grand Tent and Outdoor Garden at Washington West. Funds raised will help equip **Washington Hospital's Trauma Center** with the technology,

equipment and specialized staff training needed to rapidly respond, diagnose and treat severely-injured patients with complex, life-threatening injuries - from right here in our own community.

Interested in supporting Top Hat? Here are a few ways you can help:

- Purchase a ticket or sponsorship (online or phone ticket sales open Friday, August 12th)
- Make a gift to the Trauma Fund at Washington Hospital
- Donate your vacation home, sports tickets or airline tickets to our live auction (tax deductible!)

Keep and eye out for more information regarding Top Hat in the weeks to come. Tickets will be available for purchase online, by phone or by emailing the Foundation on August 12th, with limited capacity. We look forward to welcoming you all back for a celebration in support of Washington Hospital!

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Planned Giving: Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD)

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTIONS



Are you 70 1/2 or older, have a Roth or traditional IRA, and need to make a required minimum distribution from you IRA? Consider making a gift to Washington Hospital with a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) directly from your IRA, which counts towards your required annual distribution. It's quick and easy, and you'll even receive a charitable tax deduction for your gift!

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ESTATE PLANNING & CHARITABLE GIVING SEMINAR

Thursday, September 15
5:00pm-6:00pm

Anderson Auditorium, 2500 Mowry Ave, Fremont
Refreshments will be provided

Charitable Giving - A Gateway to Financial Planning

Providing for the care of your loved ones in your estate plan is important, and easy to implement with the right guidance. We invite you to join Washington Hospital Healthcare Foundation and Estate Planning Special Counsel, Richard Schachtilli of Hopkins Carley, for a free estate planning seminar on **Thursday, September 15 at 5pm** in the Anderson Auditorium at Washington West.

This free 45-minute seminar will provide you with a great foundation for thinking about and planning for charitable giving strategies to help you protect your assets, make future plans for you and your family, and help you fulfill your philanthropic goals.

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Legacy Society Luncheon

On September 27th, The Foundation will host a Luncheon for all Legacy Society Members to show our gratitude for their commitment to the Hospital's future. We will be joined by Kimberly Hartz, members of the Hospital Executive team, and a group of Hospital physicians who will talk about the current and future impact of philanthropy on the Hospital's growth.

If you're considering a planned gift to the Foundation, let us know so we can save you a seat on Sept 27!

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Join our Team - We're Hiring

Building A Better Future - We are looking for a Development Director to join our Foundation team! Candidates are encouraged to apply by visiting the Hospital's careers page. Please email the Foundation with any questions.



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UPDATE: COVID-19 Vaccines, Booster Shots and Testing

COVID-19 Vaccines and Booster Shots: Appointments can be scheduled through MyChart or the call center at 510.248.8200. Pediatric vaccines are available for children **6 months to 11 years of age**. We highly encourage people to talk to their health care provider about their medical conditions and whether getting an additional dose or vaccine for themselves or their children is appropriate.

COVID-19 Testing: Washington Hospital's drive-thru and walk-up testing tent is now offering COVID-19 tests to any community member that is symptomatic, or has a confirmed exposure. A physician's order is no longer necessary. As a reminder, testing at this location is not for travel, or sporting events. The tent is located in the parking lot of Washington West at 2500 Mowry Ave., facing Civic Center Drive. Appointments are required and can be scheduled by calling 510.248.8200.



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