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Huntington Hospital by the numbers.

A 130-year legacy of caring for our community.



619	Hospital beds
895	Physicians
1,312	Nurses
3,577	Employees
931	Volunteers
26	Medical residents
860	Student nurses
291	Paramedic interns
23,908	Admissions
2,990	Babies born
118,039	Outpatient visits
10,102	Surgeries performed
70,000	Tests and procedures performed in our Helen and Will Webster Heart & Vascular Center (opened August 2021)
65,682	Emergency room visits
1,568	Trauma center visits
\$135.4 million	Value of community benefits provided

Our vision

To be the leader in creating community well-being through world-class health care delivered with kindness and dignity.

Our mission

To provide excellent health care and compassionate service to each person by bringing together outstanding physicians, caring nurses, professional staff and advanced technologies.

Our values

Respect
Integrity
Stewardship
Excellence
Collaboration

A note on this issue: Some of the photos included in the following pages were taken before the pandemic began. As a result, they show individuals who are not wearing masks or practicing social distancing. In response to this health crisis, we took prompt and thorough action to protect patients, staff, visitors and our community. We remain responsive to local need and committed to your safety. Visit [huntingtonhealth.org/COVID-19](https://www.huntingtonhealth.org/COVID-19) for the latest information and how we are working to keep you safe.

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On our cover: Peggy and Andrew Cherng (pictured center), believe that good fortune is best when shared. The Cherng family recently made a significant gift to Huntington Hospital to help create our new and improved surgery center. Pictured with Peggy and Andrew (from left) are their son-in-law Brian Lai, their daughters Nicole Cherng, Andrea Cherng and Michelle Cherng Lee, and their son-in-law Benjamin Lee. Read more about the Cherng family's commitment to supporting Huntington Hospital and giving back to the broader community on page 4.

A note of gratitude.



This has been an exciting time! In 2022, we officially became Huntington Health, an affiliate of Cedars-Sinai — a name that reflects our new affiliation and our evolution as a leader in creating community well-being. We would not have had the opportunity to forge this partnership without you: Your support enabled us to become the world-class health care institution we are today — and put us in a position where we could choose an affiliation partner with the prestige and resources of Cedars-Sinai. Friends, we are incredibly grateful for each and every one of you!

We look forward to offering you an even higher caliber of care as we continue to explore opportunities to collaborate with Cedars-Sinai. Our new electronic health records system, CS-Link, is just one example. CS-Link will bring all Huntington and Cedars patient records together in one place — making care more streamlined for both patients and physicians.

Even with this change, we are still the local community hospital that you know and trust. Rest assured that Huntington Health continues to maintain our commitment to delivering outstanding community care. We have always been here for you — and our trusted brand of superlative care will continue to be a mainstay of this community.

We know that you, in turn, have been there for us, and we are grateful. In this issue of Advocate, we are pleased to share your giving stories and the accomplishments you have made possible. You can also read answers to the most frequently asked questions about our affiliation with Cedars-Sinai on page 56.

We are better today than ever before, thanks to your partnership. Huntington relies on donors like you to invest in vital patient care, taking it to the next level. Your support makes a world of difference to our staff, patients and community. With the deepest of appreciation, all of us at Huntington Health thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Lori J. Morgan MD, MBA". The signature is stylized and fluid, with the first name being the most prominent.

Lori J. Morgan, MD, MBA
President and Chief Executive Officer

**Around
the
campus.**

Introducing Huntington Health.

There are so many exciting things happening on our campus, but the most important is our affiliation with Cedars-Sinai. This affiliation began in 2021, when our board of directors took the forward-thinking step of affiliating with a large health system to secure our future and overcome the challenges we faced as a smaller, independent institution operating in the modern health care era.

We chose to affiliate with Cedars-Sinai because we share many similarities in our philosophy and mission, including an emphasis on local, patient-centered care. The affiliation gives us access to additional resources that further strengthen our ability to provide the San Gabriel Valley with high-quality care, close to home.

Thanks in part to the support of our community, we were in a position to have choices when we decided to affiliate. This position of strength allowed

us to negotiate a favorable affiliation — one in which we maintain local governance and safeguard our unique culture of compassionate community care.

To better reflect the new affiliation and our evolution as a leader in creating community well-being, we also updated our name and logo to Huntington Health, an affiliate of Cedars-Sinai.

The name Huntington Health reflects the growth of our organization. While Huntington Hospital remains our flagship facility, we now offer care in many other settings, such as our cancer center, ambulatory surgery center and outpatient primary and specialty care physician offices. Huntington Health reflects our broad scope of services and the growing number of locations where we provide them.

Thank you for being an integral part of the Huntington family as a valued donor. This exciting new chapter in our history would not be possible without your support.



For a list of frequently asked questions about our new affiliation with Cedars-Sinai, please see page 56.

In both their careers and their philanthropy, Andrew and Peggy Cherng are driven by their core values: putting people first and giving back. As co-chairs and co-chief executive officers of Panda Restaurant Group, Inc., the couple is well known for their commitment to their employees. In 1999, the Cherngs created Panda Cares (the philanthropic arm of Panda Express), so their associates can experience the spirit of giving and feel truly connected to the local communities in which they live and serve. Andrew and Peggy have also long operated a private family foundation, the Panda Charitable Family Foundation, to help others better their lives.

The Cherng Family

Transforming surgical care.



To honor the Cherng family and their recent generous investment in our hospital and the health of our community, the West Tower has been renamed the Cherng Family West Tower. We are deeply appreciative of the Cherng family (from left Brian Lai, Nicole Cherng, Andrew Cherng, Andrea Cherng, Peggy Cherng, Benjamin Lee and Michelle Cherng Lee) and their recent transformative gift towards our new surgery center. Also pictured with the Cherng family are Huntington Health's President and CEO, Lori J. Morgan, MD, MBA (third from left), and Jane Haderlein, senior vice president of philanthropy and public relations (right).



In our new surgery center, surgeons like Armen Dikranian, MD, medical director of robotic surgery and chief of surgery, can perform procedures using robotic techniques. We are grateful to the Cherng family for helping make our new surgical facilities possible.



Through the Panda Charitable Family Foundation, the Cherng family recently made a significant gift to help create Huntington Hospital's new and improved surgery center. Built above our Nan and Howard Schow Emergency & Trauma Center, the surgery center will feature 15 leading-edge operating suites co-located on one floor. "When it comes to giving," Peggy says, "every decision starts with our hearts and ends with impact. We are thrilled to support this ambitious construction project, which is helping to build surgical facilities that have state-of-the-art technology and future-ready infrastructure."

Enhancing patient care.

Once complete, our new surgery center will put patients first by reducing time to treatment and enabling life-changing and lifesaving procedures across multiple specialties. New minimally invasive surgery

systems and robotic techniques will further benefit patients by reducing pain, scarring and recovery time. "We understand the importance of having enhanced surgical care for residents of the community," Peggy remarks. "The surgery project will help Huntington further improve patient outcomes and make a difference in countless lives."

In recognition of the Cherng family's thoughtful support, our West Tower has been renamed the Cherng Family West Tower.

Fostering a spirit of giving.

Chinese-born immigrants Andrew and Peggy began their entrepreneurial journey after moving to Los Angeles. In 1973, Andrew and his parents opened the Panda Inn on Pasadena's Foothill Boulevard. By 1993, Andrew and Peggy had opened over 100 family-owned Panda Express locations nationwide.



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Over the years, the couple has leveraged their success to support Huntington Hospital and the Pasadena community. “We consider Huntington to be a long-standing and trusted partner,” Peggy says. Aligning with their “people first” and community-focused philosophy, the Cherngs have supported pediatric care (notably via proceeds from the annual Panda Cares Golf Tournament), emergency care, cancer services and cardiac care here, among other areas.

Near and dear to the family.

The Cherng family appreciates our work on a deeply personal level. In fact, Andrew and Peggy’s grandchildren were born here. “We’re extremely grateful for the tender care that Huntington Hospital has provided to not only our family, but also to our local associates and community.” The Cherngs note they are especially grateful for our dedicated team of caregivers

and staff. “Besides the advanced care and facilities that the hospital offers,” Peggy remarks, “what truly makes this institution special is the outstanding compassion and service of its health care workers and administrative staff.”

The Cherng family chooses to support Huntington Hospital as a way to give back for their good fortune. “As first-generation immigrants,” Peggy says, “Andrew and I have been so fortunate to have had amazing opportunities, and we want to pay it forward for generations to come. We believe that Panda’s role is to not only serve our guests, but also the broader community. Huntington has defined what we look for in all of our partners — shared values, reputation in the community and a proven track record of making a positive impact.”



Patients in our region turn to Huntington Health for superior surgical care, and with good reason. We have more than 250 expert surgeons on our medical staff, who are assisted by the area's largest team of anesthesiologists. We also invest in state-of-the-art facilities and technologies that support surgical excellence.

In recognition of our superior surgical practice, we are designated by Blue Cross/Blue Shield as a Blue Distinction Center for knee and hip replacement surgeries and for bariatric surgeries.

To take our surgical care to an even higher level, we embarked on a construction project to build out our surgical facilities. We have made considerable progress to date and have added seven brand-new operating rooms to our space. Eight existing surgical suites are also being upgraded as part of the project, to ensure that all

Innovations in care.

Donors who make charitable gifts to Huntington Hospital's new state-of-the-art surgery center are helping to advance the level of surgical care available to patients in our region. Once complete, this project will allow us to speed treatment times, improve outcomes and serve more patients.

surgical spaces are future-ready. The remaining suites are expected to be finished and available for use in 2023.

In a future phase of the project, we will also be updating additional surgical facilities, including our post-anesthesia recovery unit, patient preparation area, waiting room and related administrative space.

The new surgery center on our campus will allow us to:

- Provide leading-edge treatment across multiple complex specialties — including trauma, neurology, cardiology and orthopedics — in intentionally designed surgical suites.
- Offer state-of-the-art technologies, including latest-generation robotic surgery equipment and advanced imaging capabilities, that will support our ability to provide the very best surgical care for regional patients into the future.
- Perform additional surgeries each year. This is particularly important as our region's population is aging and the demand for surgical services is expected to grow.
- Further enhance our airflow and ventilation system, which will help decrease the presence of airborne particulates during procedures.

The new center is being built above our Nan and Howard Schow Emergency & Trauma Center and is connected via a high-speed elevator. This helps ensure trauma patients and people with life-threatening conditions can be rapidly transferred from the emergency department to their awaiting surgical team — in order to speed care and save lives.

We are extremely grateful to the community philanthropists who have partnered with us in creating new and upgraded surgical spaces on our campus. Their gifts will have a meaningful impact on the lives of patients in need of life-changing or lifesaving surgeries — now and into the future.

Your giving helps us operate better.

Visit huntingtonhealth.org/surgery for information about our leading-edge surgical services.



A leader in surgical care, Huntington Health has the expert staff and world-class technology needed to perform a wide variety of procedures. Investments from thoughtful philanthropists make this life-changing, and often lifesaving, work possible.

It had been a few weeks since Bill Hendrickson began experiencing a burning sensation in his abdomen. He was out to dinner with his wife, Teresa, and a few friends. “After we finished our meal and were getting ready to leave,” Bill says, “the pain became very severe. I even had trouble walking to the car.”

Teresa immediately called Bill’s primary care physician, Eva Poon, MD, who told them Bill was likely suffering from a hernia, which is when an internal organ or other body part protrudes through the wall of muscle or tissue that normally contains it. Dr. Poon referred Bill to surgeon Wes Powell, MD, another Huntington Health-affiliated physician. Arrangements were made for Bill to see Dr. Powell right away. “I could immediately feel Dr. Powell’s compassion for me,” Bill says.

Bill was diagnosed with a double hernia, a potentially dangerous condition. It would require surgery, and soon. On the day of his operation, his surgical team made Bill feel at ease in what can be a stressful situation. “I was really impressed by the operating room personnel; everyone was so attentive and kind,” he says. “They did an incredible job and I couldn’t ask for a better experience.” He was able to go home the same day.

These days, Bill is feeling great. He is back to playing golf and publishing the Boulevard Sentinel, the local news source for residents of Northeast Los Angeles. He appreciates Dr. Poon, Dr. Powell and the other staff members who cared for him. “I’m grateful for all of them, and for the hospital itself,” Bill says. “I feel lucky to have a hospital that offers such amazing care so close to home.”



The Popovich Family

Continuing a legacy of giving.

J Kristoffer (Kris) Popovich and his daughters — Jennifer Allen, Patricia Fink and Kimberly Shepherd — take a values-based approach to philanthropy. “Our North Star is family,” says Jennifer. That connection is palpable for anyone who shares space with the Popovichs. “We support Huntington Hospital because it reflects that value. They take a family-centered approach to everything they do.”

This giving philosophy was also important to Jane Hoffman Popovich, the late matriarch of the family. Jane was a pillar of the Pasadena community, and part of a long family tradition of community philanthropy. Her parents established the H. Leslie Hoffman and Elaine S. Hoffman Foundation in the 1950s, through which they wholeheartedly contributed to their two lifelong passions: education and health care. Kris and his daughters now continue the foundation’s tradition of giving.

Most recently, the Popovichs, through the foundation, made a generous pledge to our Nan and Howard Schow Emergency & Trauma Center. This was not the first time the family supported the center: They also gave generously to our Emergency & Trauma Center expansion project several years ago.





After the passing of his wife, Kris Popovich (pictured center), pledged to continue his family's legacy of philanthropy. Kris is pictured with his daughters (from left) Jennifer Allen, Kimberly Shepherd and Patricia Fink.

The Popovich family's thoughtful support is helping safeguard lifesaving emergency care for patients throughout our community.



Touching the heart of the community.

For the Popovich family, supporting emergency and trauma care is personal. In 2012, Jennifer had an extended inpatient stay here due to pregnancy-related complications and her son's premature birth. She was treated in our Emergency & Trauma Center for two postpartum hemorrhages. As thanks for the lifesaving care she received, their family made a gift toward the purchase of a "pregnant" patient simulator — including mother and baby. This technology supports training in techniques that include emergency labor and delivery-related complications. "It was a very scary time," Jennifer says, "but the staff members were extremely gentle and attentive. Dr. Leonard Kim, Dr. William Harrity and Dr. Terre Osterkamp are three of the doctors who saved my life."

Other members of the Popovich family have also received care at our emergency department for a range of health problems. Having a world-class emergency department in their "backyard" provides the family with peace of mind that they may receive immediate, compassionate care whenever they need it.

The gift was also inspired by the efforts emergency personnel have made on the front-lines of the COVID-19 pandemic and their commitment to treat everyone in need. The family is particularly appreciative of emergency medicine physician and President of Medical Staff Brandon Lew, DO, FACEP. "The emergency department is the one place that touches everyone in the community," says Kimberly, "and that's important to us."



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In loving memory.

Not only does the Popovich family use philanthropy to help their community; it is also a way to continue their mother’s legacy. Huntington was important to Jane, who served as a member of our board of directors. The Popovichs honor Jane’s memory through their continued support of our exemplary care.

The Popovich daughters have also long been following in their mother’s footsteps, from volunteering as candy strippers here to raising funds. “Mom made volunteering at the hospital look so fun,” says Patricia, “and even though she’s no longer physically here, she is still with us in spirit.”

This sentiment is reflected in the butterfly necklaces Jane’s daughters can often be found wearing. Kris once gifted Jane with a butterfly necklace, a nod to Jane’s Flutter boutiques and

her flair for fashion. Now, his daughters wear their own replicas of this necklace in honor of their beloved mother.

The right thing to do.

Due to the wave of community hospitals that have closed in recent years, the family and foundation — which now includes Jennifer, Patricia, Kimberly and their own families — feel a renewed commitment to support our work.

“When our family began fundraising,” Kimberly says, “it had nothing to do with recognition. It was simply the right thing to do. We give so Huntington doesn’t just survive, but thrives.”

Caregiver Spotlight.

Emergency department



A night in the life of a nurse.

Support from our community helps ensure we can attract and retain the best caregivers and staff to care for patients in departments throughout the hospital. Mei Stewart, RN, is one of the dedicated and caring nurses who works in Huntington Hospital's emergency department. To give us an idea of what it is like to walk in her shoes, Mei agreed to take us through a *night* in the life of an emergency department nurse.

Before work. Although she works the night shift, as a wife and mother, Mei has plenty of responsibilities to attend to during daytime hours. “I try to fit in a nap during the day,” Mei says, “and my husband, Mark, and I usually run errands, do chores and take care of our 11-year-old daughter before I leave for the hospital.”

Beginning of shift. When Mei’s shift begins at 7 p.m., the waiting area is typically very busy — especially during surges in COVID-19 cases. As patients arrive at the hospital, nurses quickly assess the urgency of their condition. Those with life-threatening issues are treated first. Those with less urgent needs may have to wait.

“Sometimes, patients get upset if wait times are long,” Mei says. “We understand it’s difficult to wait when you aren’t feeling well.” To comfort her patients, Mei listens to them and offers emotional support, while trying to assess their conditions as quickly as possible.

Middle of shift. Throughout the night, the inflow of patients usually slows. Mei is responsible for completing assigned treatments for the patients in her care, such as inserting an IV, obtaining lab specimens and administering medications. She continuously monitors their conditions, remaining prepared to intervene if necessary.

Mei’s job is difficult, but it is also a source of satisfaction. “To see someone come in feeling terrible, or even facing a life-threatening condition, and walk out feeling better — it’s why we do what we do,” she says.

Although COVID-19 has placed enormous strain on our emergency department nurses, it has also brought the team closer together. “Early on, many of us were afraid of the unknown, but I’m proud to work on a courageous, devoted team that has stuck together to continue caring for patients throughout the pandemic,” Mei says.

Mei notes that she and other nurses truly appreciate the many gifts and words of encouragement they have received from the community. When asked what community members can do to further support emergency department nurses, her reply is straightforward: “Please don’t delay preventative health care,” Mei says. “Get your annual physical with your primary care doctor. Exercise and eat healthy. And get vaccinated, if you haven’t already. Do what you can to avoid needing emergency care.”

End of shift. “Before leaving, I make sure all my patients’ immediate needs are met,” Mei says. As her shift ends at 7 a.m., she briefs incoming nurses on the status of her patients and heads home to her family.

“Being a nurse can be exhausting, but is rewarding too,” Mei says. I’m proud to work at Huntington, where we work together as a family to make a difference in the lives of our patients.”



To say thank you for the care that caregivers like Mei provide to our community each and every day, consider making a Grateful Hearts gift to honor our health care heroes. Visit <https://giving.huntingtonhospital.com/caregiver> or call the office of philanthropy at (626) 397-3241 to learn more.

Community benefit services.

Reaching out to improve health.



Health screenings and counseling.

Registered nurses conduct free health screenings for hypertension and diabetes as well as health-related counseling throughout the community. These services are provided in accessible locations such as senior centers, grocery stores, libraries and farmer's markets. Patients who require follow-up care are provided referrals to Huntington Ambulatory Care Clinic.

Pasadena Outreach Response Team (PORT).

Thanks to a new collaboration with the City of Pasadena, we provide field-based support and advocacy for those experiencing homelessness, living with chronic health conditions, and/or diagnosed with mental health and/or substance use disorders. Through the PORT program, a Huntington Hospital registered nurse, a Pasadena Fire Department paramedic, a housing expert and a social worker team up to connect at-risk individuals with services.

Huntington Health is a nonprofit institution.

That means that while we must remain financially sound to continue our work, we are driven by our mission to provide compassionate community care, rather than by profits.

As part of our nonprofit mission, we provide significant benefits to the community, often in the form of health education, outreach and low or no-cost hospital care for the uninsured and those with limited means. In 2021, we provided community benefit services valued at more than \$135 million.

Community benefit services are not covered by traditional reimbursements, and we are grateful to the local philanthropists who help make these services possible. Support from these generous friends helps us make investments in community health.



Flu shots.

Every year in the fall, community members receive free influenza vaccines without an appointment at various community locations, including but not limited to local community centers, senior centers and public libraries.

Senior Care Network.


Since 1984, Senior Care Network (SCN) has provided a wide array of services to older adults and adults with disabilities, as well as to their family caregivers. SCN's skilled nurses and social workers support thousands of vulnerable community members each year so that they can remain as vital, healthy and independent as possible.

Visit huntingtonhealth.org/communitybenefit to learn more.



Marcia and Elliot Sainer

Keeping seniors healthy and independent.



Marcia and Elliot Sainer want to help lift up vulnerable people in the community they love. They have a particular interest in supporting older adults in the San Gabriel Valley. Through the Sainer Family Endowment for Senior Care, they found a way to do so indefinitely.

The Sainers' endowment provides ongoing support for Huntington Health's Senior Care Network (SCN). SCN operates Senior Caring Fund, which helps low-income seniors get what they need to stay healthy and live independently. The fund covers a wide range of health-related expenses — from eyeglasses and hearing aids to blood pressure monitors and mobility equipment.

The issue of senior care is personal for the Sainers. Elliot's mother spent 12 years as the commissioner for the New York City Department for the Aging. Through their endowment, Marcia and Elliot are honoring her memory.

“When we learned about the Senior Caring Fund, we knew it was something we wanted to support,” Marcia says. “This cause is very close to our hearts.”

A history of helping.

Helping others is at the core of who the Sainers are. In fact, Elliot based a career on it. In 1998, he founded Aspen Education Group, which was dedicated to helping youth struggling with behavioral, emotional, learning and motivational issues make positive life changes. The company thrived under Elliot's leadership, growing to serve more than 5,000 adolescents each year from every state and 13 foreign countries.

Elliot is proud of the work he did with Aspen Education Group, which was sold in 2006. “I feel very fortunate that I was able to find an opportunity that allowed me to help thousands of kids and their families, while also being financially rewarding,” he says.

Today, Elliot is involved part time with several private equity companies that invest in behavioral health care. He also is a longtime board member of Alzheimer’s Los Angeles, and Ednovate, a high-performing charter school network of free public college preparatory high schools for inner-city students.


Marcia also spends her time helping others. When the couple’s two children were younger, she was very active in their schools and her synagogue. Marcia has also volunteered for many years at the Friends of the South Pasadena Public Library.

Safety and security.

Originally from the east coast, both Marcia and Elliot feel at home in the San Gabriel Valley. They moved here in 1981 for Elliot’s work, and as Marcia notes, “we’ve lived in the same house ever since.” The Sainers’ personal connection to Huntington Hospital developed soon upon their arrival, when Marcia gave birth to their daughter here.

“We had such a great experience in the maternity department,” Marcia recalls. “After that, we’ve gone out of our way to see physicians connected to Huntington Health.”

The Sainers are longtime supporters of our work. They have been members of the President’s Circle for many years, and Elliot previously served on our strategic planning board committee. “We feel safe and secure with our health care having Huntington Hospital nearby,” Marcia says. “We want each person in our community to enjoy that feeling.”



“When we learned about the Senior Caring Fund, we knew it was something we wanted to support. This cause is very close to our hearts.”

Direct, lasting impact.

Regarding their approach to philanthropy, Elliot explains that the couple “likes to give where we can see direct results. Programs like the Senior Caring Fund truly make a difference in people’s daily lives.” Marcia adds, “It’s also reassuring to know that Senior Care Network will use our gift responsibly.” Seeking to provide a level of guaranteed ongoing support for the fund, the Sainers decided to set up an endowment.

“I didn’t have much money growing up, and feel so fortunate to be in a position to help improve our community,” Marcia says. “We want it to be a place where everyone has access to the resources they need.”



Transformational giving.

To honor and thank our most generous supporters, Huntington Hospital established our Benefactor Circle program. Donors contributing gifts of \$250,000 or more join this program and help provide the highest level of support for ongoing needs and other transformative work here. Benefactor Circle donors receive a Benefactor Card to facilitate additional patient support services on campus and in our Nan and Howard Schow Emergency & Trauma Center. They also enjoy special recognition on our campus.

For more information about our Benefactor Circle, please contact Cathi Chadwell, executive director of philanthropy and public affairs, at (626) 397-3241.

Your giving heals hearts.

Visit [huntingtonhealth.org/heart](https://www.huntingtonhealth.org/heart) to learn about our expert cardiology services.



From screening and diagnostic tests, to advanced surgical treatments, to physician-supervised rehabilitation, Huntington Health is here to help patients throughout their journey toward better heart health. Generous philanthropic support makes this possible — helping to save and improve the lives of thousands of cardiac patients each year. Fran Norris Scoble is one of these grateful patients.

Fran Norris Scoble was first diagnosed with a heart murmur as a teenager. Years went by without any cardiac concerns. “It wasn’t serious, so I didn’t think about it very much,” she says.

When she was older, Fran began annual checkups to track any changes to her heart function. At a recent appointment, something alarming showed up on the echocardiogram. She was referred to interventional cardiologist Gregory Giesler, MD, a Huntington Health-affiliated physician. Fran’s aortic valve had narrowed and was not allowing sufficient blood to pass from her heart to her body — a serious condition called aortic stenosis.

Facing a potentially life-threatening condition, Fran underwent a transcatheter aortic valve replacement, or TAVR — a minimally invasive alternative to open heart surgery. Dr. Giesler performed the procedure at Huntington Hospital.

“When they wheeled me into the operating room, I was stunned,” says Fran. “From just a quick look at the

technology involved, I could tell it was a very complex procedure.” The TAVR procedure was a complete success. She went home the next day. Today, she is stronger with a fully functional heart.

“There was a personal touch from every single person I interacted with at the hospital,” Fran says. “Dr. Giesler was reassuring throughout the entire process, and the nurses who cared for me were attentive and encouraging.”

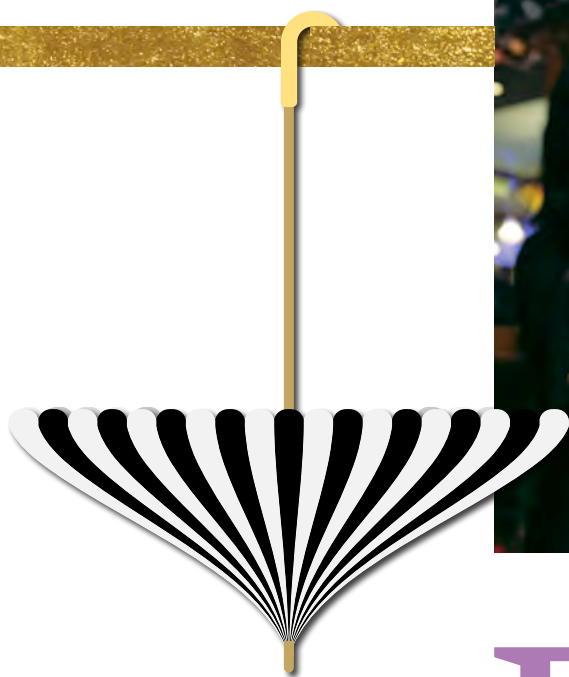
Fran is deeply appreciative of Sue Duquette, our TAVR coordinator. “I don’t think I’ve ever met anyone better at their job than Sue,” she says. “She can answer any question you have, and she’s the perfect blend of pragmatism and compassion.

“I can never thank the team at Huntington enough,” Fran says. “They’ve given me a chance to watch my grandsons grow up, to have more happy days with family and friends, and to have more years of feeling healthy and strong.”



Fall Food + Wine Festival

Essential support for trauma care.



For years, the Fall Food + Wine Festival was *the* premiere social event of the season — and the best way to support lifesaving care at Huntington Hospital Trauma Center.

While we had to think differently about how we celebrated Fall Food + Wine season in 2020 and 2021, we were beyond thrilled to return to an in-person event this fall, led by our Fall Food + Wine Event Co-chairs Janet Mayeda and Nick Salata (pictured opposite). On October 30, 2022, on the grounds between Parkway Grill and the Arroyo Chop House in Pasadena, guests enjoyed gourmet foods, fine wines and live music, while also helping raise support to care for patients with life-threatening injuries.

Proceeds from the 2022 festival are allowing Huntington Hospital to invest in a CereLink System intracranial pressure monitor (ICP), an advanced tool for monitoring pressure inside the skull. Using this highly accurate equipment will help us give patients with traumatic brain injuries the best possible treatment. A portion of funds raised will also support advanced education for trauma center medical residents and nurses, helping to ensure they have the very latest knowledge and care skills.



2022 Fall Food + Wine Committee

A big shout out to our Fall Food + Wine Committee for helping us plan our return to an in-person festival. Thank you to the following dedicated community members for their involvement:

Janet Mayeda,
Event & Committee Co-chair

Nick Salata,
Event & Committee Co-chair

Garrett Bell
Karen Billman, Restaurant Co-chair
Brian Birnie
Jamie Brady-Smith
Carter Donaldson, Restaurant Co-chair
Pinky Lark Farnum
John Ferdenzi
John Haglund
Anne Irvine
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Lia Peterson Miller
Cathy Simms
Rob Terrazas
Michele and Greg Thompson

Thank you to our 2022 Fall Food + Wine Festival Table Patrons

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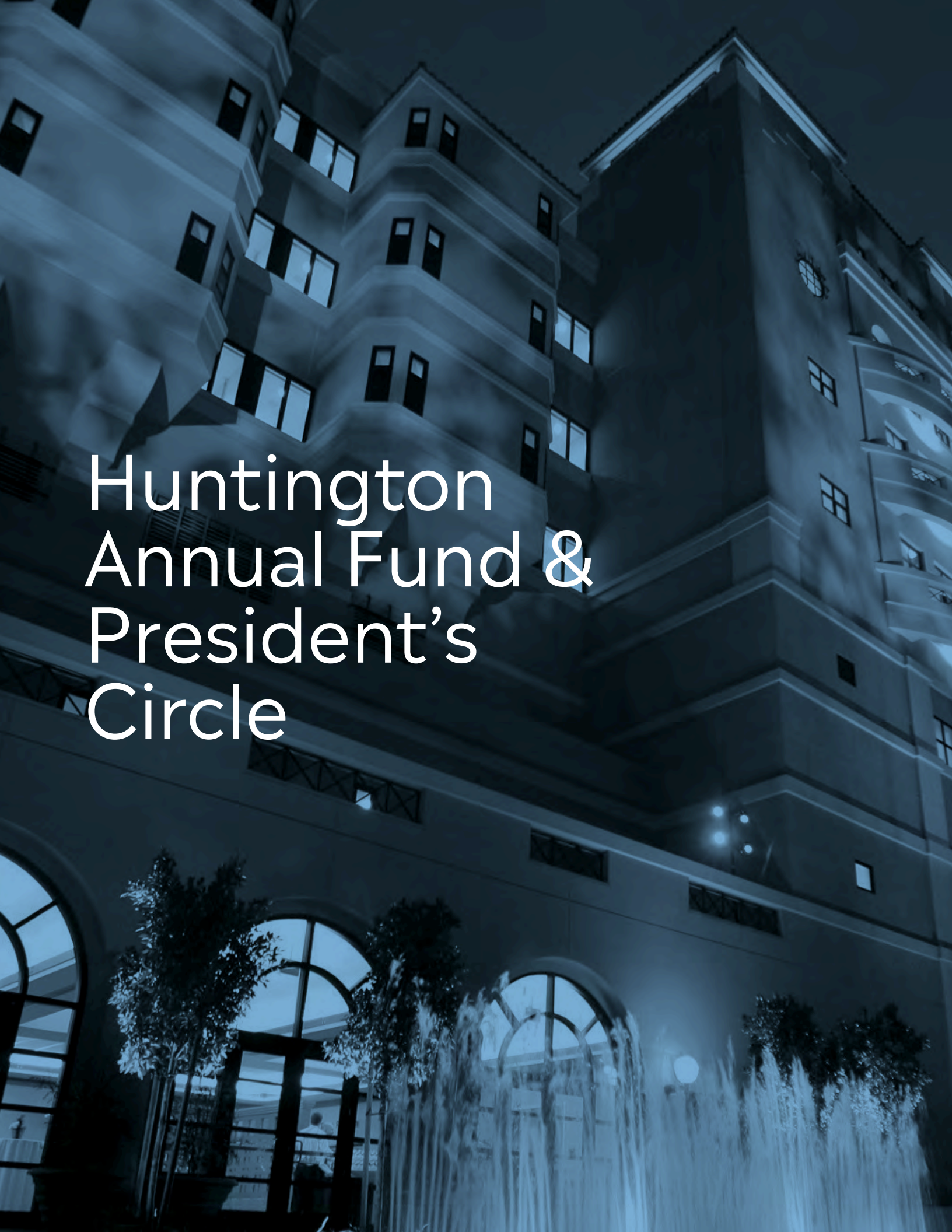
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Huntington Annual Fund & President's Circle



Annual support to meet essential needs.

Huntington Health is here for you now and always. From our humble beginning almost 130 years ago, we have grown and evolved thanks to the generosity of our community. While much has changed since we first opened our doors, one thing has stayed the same: All of our accomplishments have been possible as a result of our enduring partnership with community supporters like you. Each year, financial contributions from our generous donors play a vital role in ensuring we remain an essential resource for health care in this region.

Thanks to annual fund gifts, we not only have the flexibility to maintain and enhance ongoing care and services, we are also better positioned to respond to unforeseen needs as they arise. Thank you for helping to ensure we are able to provide compassionate care for our diverse community, today and for many years to come.

Huntington Annual Fund Benefits

All annual fund donors receive our publications and access to a variety of health resources, classes and physician-referral services. Annual fund donors who give at the Champion level also receive the following benefits:

Champion \$1,000 - \$1,999

- Access to complimentary flu shots each fall, as available.
- Invitations to special events and recognition opportunities for donors, as available.

For more information about how you can contribute to our Huntington Annual Fund, please contact Josué Hernández, manager of annual fund and donor groups, at (626) 397-3568 or josue.hernandez@huntingtonhospital.com.

Bronwen Begakis

Giving back each month.

For Bronwen Begakis, giving to Huntington Hospital is personal. She first began contributing to our work in 2019, after she gave birth here. Her experience as a patient made a deep impression.

Bronwen was only 33 weeks pregnant when her water broke. She rushed to Huntington Hospital, where she underwent an emergency cesarean section. Weighing in at 5 pounds, 5 ounces, Constantine “Gus” David Begakis was born premature, and needed specialized care. Gus was cared for in our neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) for three weeks, before he was strong enough to finally go home.

“I’m so grateful for the NICU nurses and staff,” Bronwen says. “They were so wonderful to Gus and are truly special people.” As a way of saying thank you for the world-class care Gus received here, Bronwen recently became a Huntington Sustainer, setting up a recurring monthly donation.

Bronwen and her husband, Nick, are also appreciative of the above-and-beyond support they received here as parents. Bronwen received breastfeeding support from one of our lactation specialists, and she and Nick were able to attend infant CPR classes, among other services. “Wraparound services for parents who have a baby in the NICU are just as important as medical care,” Bronwen says. “We choose to support the NICU to help ensure other families can continue to receive the same level of support we did.”

Bronwen, who has worked in corporate philanthropy for 15 years, understands how even small gifts can add up to make a big difference. To ensure she maximizes her contributions, she takes advantage of her employer’s matching gift program. “Many companies like mine match charitable gifts,” Bronwen says. “I recommend exploring that option with your employer. It’s such an easy way to magnify your impact.”

Ultimately, Bronwen encourages everyone to invest in the health of the community. “A vibrant medical center like Huntington benefits everyone,” she says.



Huntington Sustainers

Monthly giving made easy.

Donors like Bronwen Begakis make monthly, recurring gifts to the hospital via credit card. Sustainers may make monthly gifts of any amount, but even a \$10 monthly pledge – or 30 cents per day – can help us protect and enhance our community’s health and well-being with high-quality, lifesaving care.

Visit <https://giving.huntingtonhospital.com/monthly> to join Huntington Sustainers, or email give@huntingtonhospital.com for more information. You may also visit <https://giving.huntingtonhospital.com/donate> to make a one-time gift by credit card on our safe and secure website.



President's Circle
Of Huntington Hospital

Leading through giving.

Each year, annual fund donors providing gifts of \$2,000 or more are welcomed into our leadership society — the President's Circle of Huntington Hospital. We are pleased to thank these generous supporters with a variety of special benefits. Perhaps the most valuable benefit of all is the knowledge that you will be joining a select group of people committed to ensuring our uninterrupted, state-of-the-art health care services continue to thrive.

For questions regarding the President's Circle of Huntington Hospital, please contact Lia Peterson Miller, senior director of donor engagement and communications, at (626) 397-3241.

Visit <https://giving.huntingtonhospital.com/PresidentsCircle-Giving> for more information and to make a gift today.

Please note some in-person gatherings have been temporarily suspended due to COVID-19.





President's Circle Benefits

Friend \$2,000 - 4,999

All Annual Fund benefits PLUS:

- Annual complimentary hospital self-parking in the North and East parking structures.
- Invitation to the President's Circle Member Recognition event.
- Complimentary flu shots each fall.

Associate \$5,000 - 9,999

All of the above PLUS:

- Annual complimentary valet parking on our campus.
- Annual recognition on the President's Circle donor wall in our main lobby.

Medicus Society \$10,000 - 24,999

All of the above PLUS:

- Invitations to additional President's Circle members-only events with Huntington leadership.
- Invitations to special behind-the-scenes tours of Huntington Hospital, as available.

Colleague \$25,000 - 49,999

All of the above PLUS:

- Two complimentary tickets to our Fall Food + Wine Festival.
- Personalized stewardship report on the use of your funds each year.

Patron \$50,000 - 99,999

All of the above PLUS:

- Invitations to small group gatherings with Huntington leadership.
- Access to an estate planning specialist who can help you explore and weigh the benefits of estate planning.

Gold \$100,000 - \$249,999

All of the above PLUS:

- Opportunity to meet personally with Huntington leadership to learn about the impact of your support.
- Access to a patient relations representative during your hospital stay, as needed.
- Four complimentary tickets to our Fall Food + Wine Festival.
- Additional recognition opportunities on our campus, as available.



President's Circle
Of Huntington Hospital



Karen and Dean Billman

Benefiting the community.



“We want to make sure this first-class hospital is here for everybody who needs it,” says Dean Billman. That is why he and his wife, Karen, support Huntington Hospital. The Billmans know that as a nonprofit hospital, Huntington relies on charitable gifts from generous supporters like them to ensure we can deliver care to all patients.

“Giving back is one of the dues you pay for being part of this community,” he says. “When you give or you volunteer, it gives you purpose,” Karen adds. “The more involved you are, the more it makes you a part of your community.”

Fun for a good cause.

By that measure, the Billmans are community members in the truest sense of the phrase, through their long history of involvement with Huntington. In 2005, Dean began attending our Fall Food + Wine Festival. A few years later, he invited his then newlywed wife, Karen, to join him.

The Fall Food + Wine Festival is our largest fundraising event each year, which features fine wines and spirits, delicious food, music and fun. But even more importantly, this annual celebration also supports an important cause: Festival proceeds are designated toward investing in superlative care for patients suffering from traumatic injuries who are brought to Huntington Hospital Trauma Center — the largest trauma center in our service region.



After her first festival, Karen quickly fell in love with the popular annual event and the cause that it supports. When there was an opening on the Fall Food + Wine Committee in 2012, Karen jumped at the chance, and has been a member of the committee ever since. Today, she serves as co-chair of the restaurant committee, which helps secure local restaurants to participate in the festival by donating tasty food or drink items from their menus for guests to enjoy

“The festival combines food, wine and raising money for the trauma center in one event,” says Karen. “We look forward to it and are so glad it returned to an in-person event this year.”

Recently, the Billmans, who knew they wanted to do more, decided to become members of our President’s Circle at the Associate level. “Huntington is our local hospital,” says Karen. If something happened to us, we would want to

be treated there. The hospital needs help, and we are happy to step up.”

Prioritizing care.

Over the years, the Billman family has had many encounters here. Dean deeply appreciates the treatment his father received at our trauma center after taking a fall. “The staff provided my dad with top-tier care,” says Dean. “Every single staff member treated him with the utmost respect, from the moment we arrived.”

The couple also praise how well-run Huntington Hospital is. “Even parking is easy,” says Dean. “When you have a medical problem, you don’t want to worry about logistics or anything like that. Huntington does its best to take care of it all so you can focus on getting well. In my opinion, it’s the best hospital in the country.”



“We want to make sure this first-class hospital is here for everybody who needs it.”

Finding time to give back.


The Billmans both have flourishing careers. Dean serves as senior vice president of wealth management for Morgan Stanley, and Karen owns her own Pasadena-based interior design firm, Billman Designs.

Even with these demanding roles, Karen and Dean still find time to give back to causes that are important to them. When they are not traveling, attending church, exploring museums or discovering new restaurants, the Billmans spend their free time regularly volunteering and donating to a variety of health care and arts causes, in addition to supporting our work. As Dean says, “I can’t help it; I keep joining committees!”

As they see it, the couple consider themselves fortunate enough to have the means to give back, so they have a duty to do so. “We see

that we can bring something to the table with our support — and be a member of something that makes a difference,” says Dean. They encourage others in the community to support the hospital any way they can. “When you get involved with an organization like Huntington Health,” says Karen, “it helps you feel connected to your community. We want to help in any way we can.”





Visit huntingtonhealth.org/baby to learn more about our family-centered care for moms and their babies.

Your giving delivers.

Philanthropic support from our community helps to ensure moms and their babies have access to Huntington Health's expert, personalized care. This includes world-class labor and delivery services, specialized support for women with high-risk pregnancies, and an advanced neonatal intensive care unit for newborns born prematurely or with serious medical needs.

Yasmina Williams was three days shy of her due date when she woke up with labor pains. When her contractions intensified, her husband, Trevor, rushed her to the Family Birth Center at Huntington Hospital. "We chose to give birth at Huntington because it's the best hospital," Yasmina says. "Even if we lived further away, we would make the same choice."

When she got here, our team found that Yasmina was not yet dilating. Normally, this would mean Yasmina could go home until she was further along. But something was wrong. She had alarmingly high blood pressure, protein in her urine and a fever — all signs of a potentially dangerous pregnancy complication known as preeclampsia.

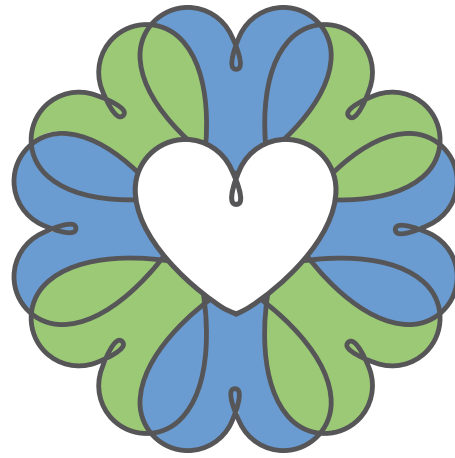
Yasmina was quickly admitted. She underwent a uterine Foley balloon procedure, which helps to induce labor. Even with the unexpected changes to her birth plan, Yasmina stayed calm thanks to our attentive team. "I felt super cared for and loved," she says, "and really had a lot of help."

As Yasmina's labor progressed, the baby's first feces (meconium) was passed while she

was still in utero, which can lead to serious complications. Yasmina's OB-GYN, George Matsuda, MD, a Huntington Health-affiliated physician, suggested she undergo a cesarean section. "All we wanted was a healthy baby and safe delivery," Yasmina says. "Trevor and I had full trust in Dr. Matsuda and the nurses taking care of us."

The procedure was a success, bringing baby girl Kylie into the world. After Kylie was examined by our neonatal intensive care team to ensure there were no further complications, mother and daughter spent three more nights recovering in our mother baby unit. Today, mother and daughter are thriving. The Williams family is settling into a routine and enjoying their time spent with Kylie, who has proven to be a cute and sassy, yet easygoing baby.

Yasmina is grateful for her positive birth experience here. "We are so thankful for the amazing team of attentive, professional and caring staff who made Kylie's delivery such a smooth process," she says. "We can't say enough good things about Huntington!"



Grateful Hearts

Gratitude through giving.



Senior Care Network Resource Center Specialists like Zim Liang utilize their extensive knowledge of community resources to assist people with health and aging issues.



What makes health care at Huntington Hospital special? Although there are many things that make us stand out — such as top-of-the-line medical equipment, our outreach to the community or our world-class facilities — most patients would say that it is our caring staff that sets us apart.

Huntington team members are known for going the extra mile to make our patients' stay the best it can be. Our Grateful Hearts program was created as a way for community members to show their gratitude for this above-and-beyond level of care.

Through Grateful Hearts, patients and their loved ones can make a charitable donation in honor of a staff member who was especially helpful during their health care journey. These gifts help celebrate the compassionate care for which our hospital is known, while providing individual recognition to employees who have gone above and beyond to assist patients and their families. In turn, these gifts support our Huntington Annual Fund and allow us to make important investments that can help further elevate the level of care we deliver.

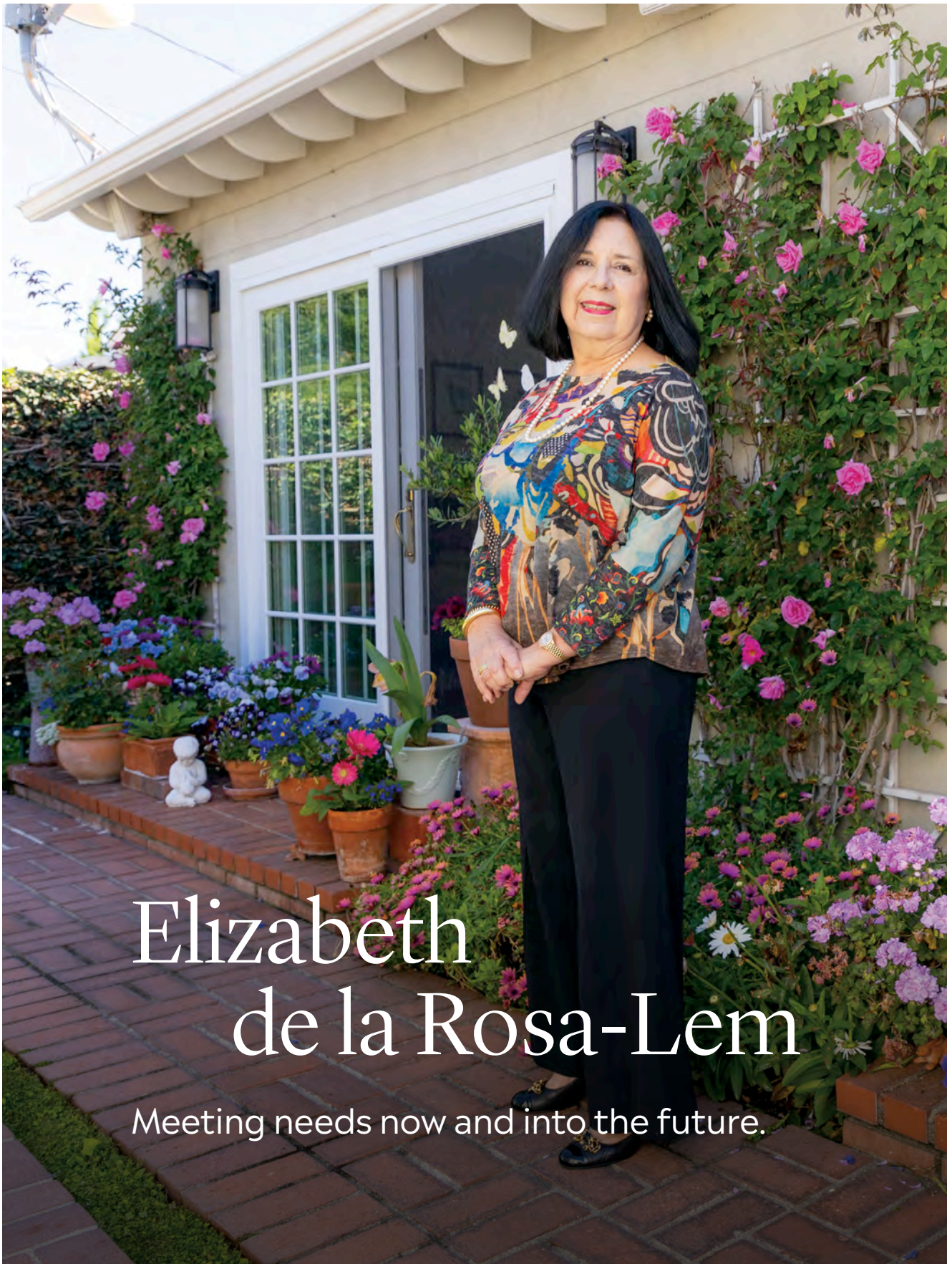
Clarice Manzano recently became a Grateful Hearts donor when she made a gift in honor of Zim Liang, a resource center specialist with our Senior Care Network. Zim helped Clarice navigate her dad's care, from the hospital to discharge and beyond.

"Zim is a gem," says Clarice. "I've worked with her for years in coordinating my dad's care, and she has always been approachable, understanding, supportive and dedicated to doing everything she can to help. You can tell she really cares. She took the time to help me figure out what to do when he was being discharged and I'm deeply appreciative."

Senior Care Network has helped older adults and adults with disabilities, along with their caregivers, remain healthy and independent since 1984.



To learn how you can honor a Huntington team member by making a Grateful Hearts gift, please visit <https://giving.huntingtonhospital.com/caregiver> or call the office of philanthropy at (626) 397-3241.



Elizabeth de la Rosa-Lem

Meeting needs now and into the future.

In so many ways, Elizabeth de la Rosa-Lem is here for our community. She is a longtime member of the President's Circle of Huntington Hospital, a group of donors who provides particularly generous annual gifts to help us meet the needs of our patients, year after year.

In 2021, Elizabeth also became a member of our Legacy Gift Society by including Huntington Hospital in her estate plan — helping ensure we can continue to provide compassionate care to our community for generations to come. “Supporting Huntington is a sound investment,” says Elizabeth. “You can rest assured your gift will be well-spent and greatly appreciated.”

Giving inspired by gratitude.

Elizabeth confidently supports Huntington Hospital because she has seen our commitment to compassionate care firsthand. In 2005, her late husband, Kai, underwent cardiac surgery here, and Elizabeth was impressed with the care he received. “It’s an inherently traumatic experience,” she says, “but the staff did so much to make it easier for us.”

For many years, Elizabeth and Kai continued to seek care here. Elizabeth was always struck by how attentive our caregivers were — regardless of who was the patient. Once, as Kai underwent treatment, Elizabeth was anxiously crying. She was scared and felt cold. “One nurse was so tuned in to how I felt, she brought me a warm blanket,” she says. “I can’t describe how well taken care of and valued I felt, even as a visitor. They were concerned with me, too — not just my husband. I will never forget this caring gesture.”

A culture of service.

A lifelong Angeleno, Elizabeth completed her bachelor’s degree in art history at the University of California, Los Angeles and earned her teaching credential from the University of Southern California. She loved teaching, but she sought to make an even greater difference in the lives of children, parents and other teachers.

“I wanted to influence systems and provide effective educational leadership,” Elizabeth says. She

returned to the University of Southern California to complete her master’s degree and other credentials for school administration.

Elizabeth continued to grow her impact — from leading individual schools to eventually serving as assistant superintendent of educational services at the Los Angeles County Office of Education. Until she retired in 2008, Elizabeth’s professional purpose remained constant. “The clear focus of my professional career was to provide exceptional school leadership to improve learning opportunities for students, while also addressing their many and varied mental and health needs. Caring for ‘my kids’ and teachers was my highest priority,” she says. “Huntington does the same. There’s an evident culture of high quality leadership, service and compassion that permeates every aspect of the organization.”

This alignment of values is in part why Elizabeth gives to Huntington Hospital. “As a school administrator, I know the power of leadership and influence,” she says. “Not only are the staff extremely caring, but they also never hesitate to do what needs to be done. It speaks to why Huntington has the reputation it does.”

Doing more.

Recently, Elizabeth wanted to do even more to support our work, so she also began volunteering here in errand and escort, which involves everything from delivering flowers to patient rooms, to transporting a discharged patient from their room to the lobby and more. “I love being a part of Huntington,” Elizabeth says. “People here truly care for one another, and the level of professionalism is remarkable.”

As an ambassador for Huntington Hospital, Elizabeth works hard to give patients the experience she would want — and as a result, she sees her own feelings reflected in those she serves. “Patients tell me they would never go anywhere else for care,” she says. “Their gratitude inspires me to support Huntington any way I can, and I hope it inspires others, too.”



Legacy Gift Society
Of Huntington Hospital

Make a difference for tomorrow, today.

Huntington Hospital's Legacy Gift Society (LGS) recognizes donors who want to provide for the future. Their thoughtful and foresighted bequests and other planned gifts help to sustain excellent health care for future generations.

Planned giving.

LGS members utilize many different strategies to do this, but the outcome is the same: sharing the future with others. Many establish a charitable bequest — a gift made through a will, living trust or other vehicle. Some LGS members have named us as a beneficiary for a percentage of their retirement plans, including 401ks, 403bs and IRAs. Others take advantage of important income and tax benefits that provide a reliable stream of income for the lifetime of the donor and loved ones.

We invite you to join other members of the LGS in providing for the future of care at Huntington Hospital. As a member, you receive the following benefits:

- Invitation to the annual Legacy Gift Society appreciation luncheon.
- Invitation to be our guest at the annual President's Circle Member Recognition Dinner.
- Invitations to select events.
- Complimentary annual flu shot, as available.
- Counsel and support from Huntington Hospital's office of philanthropy, as requested.
- Receipt of our publications.

We hope that you will consider becoming a member of this distinguished group of committed donors. Please visit huntingtonhealth.org/giftplanning to learn more. Many thanks for your support.

If you have already included us in your plans, please contact Cathi Chadwell, executive director of public affairs, at (626) 397-3241.

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Ways to give.

Many donors give to Huntington Hospital using tax-saving strategies. Here are just a few of the ways:

IRA Distribution

When you make Huntington Hospital the direct recipient of a distribution from your IRA, you may be able to avoid paying income tax on the amount gifted. You also are helping to keep us strong.

Appreciated Stocks

By gifting appreciated stock, you can avoid taxes on any gains in the stock's value, and take an income tax deduction on the fair market value — all while making a thoughtful gift to our work.

Donor Advised Fund (DAF)

Establishing a DAF through a community foundation or a financial institution gives you a significant tax benefit when you make a large gift. You can designate Huntington Hospital as a recipient of the funding from your DAF each year.

If you would like to learn more about how you can save taxes and support our critical mission, please contact Helen Bechtolt, senior director of principal gifts, at helen.bechtolt@huntingtonhospital.com or (626) 397-8681.

Thank you to our valued partners.

Huntington Hospital is grateful to our guilds and support groups for their generosity, now and always.



Flintridge La Cañada Guild

The Flintridge La Cañada Guild's roots with Huntington run deep: The guild has been actively involved in raising funds, helping to meet a variety of facility and equipment needs here, for more than 60 years.

Guild members worked enthusiastically throughout the year to plan the group's highly anticipated 100th annual Flintridge Horse Show, which was held on Thursday, April 27, through Sunday, May 1, 2022, at the Los Angeles Equestrian Center. The four-day event featured exciting equestrian competitions.

On October 1, 2022, the group also hosted a silent auction and benefit dinner at the Flintridge Autumn Classic, held at the Flintridge Riding Club. This event featured the Grand Prix of Flintridge, sponsored by Flying Spur Ranch.

Proceeds from these events are helping support the important work of a registered nurse navigator in Huntington Cancer Center, an affiliate of Cedars-Sinai Cancer, who helps coordinate care for lung cancer patients.

Email flintridgehorseshow@gmail.com for more information about the guild.



Altadena Guild

The Altadena Guild is a nonprofit group whose main purpose is to support Huntington Hospital and Huntington Medical Research Institutes. The group, founded in 1951, organizes and hosts a number of fundraising events every year.

One of the Altadena Guild's most popular events is its annual Home & Garden Tour. While the event was canceled in 2020 and 2021 due to COVID-19, we were thrilled it was able to return this year.

On Sunday, May 1, 2022, the Altadena Guild hosted its 69th Home & Garden Tour. This year's event showcased Mendocino Lane, a residential street in Altadena that is of historic and architectural interest. Guests enjoyed a tour of some of the beautiful homes and gardens in this neighborhood. They also enjoyed delectable refreshments, live music and shopping.

Proceeds from the event supported our Helen and Will Webster Heart & Vascular Center, as well as the Altadena Guild Community Service Scholarship, which is awarded each year to a Huntington staff member who has demonstrated a dedication to providing excellent care to patients, and to serving the broader community. The Altadena Guild also recently made a generous pledge toward our surgery construction project, which is helping us further enhance our surgical facilities.

For more information about joining the Altadena Guild and future events, please visit altadenaguild.org.

Huntington Charity League

Huntington Charity League (HCL) is a nonprofit volunteer organization made up of community supporters who are dedicated to raising funds in support of Huntington Hospital's lifesaving work.

Every year, HCL focuses its fundraising efforts on supporting essential care for babies in our neonatal intensive care unit (NICU). Huntington Hospital is home to the region's only level-III NICU, providing the most advanced care available in the San Gabriel Valley for premature infants and other newborns with severe medical needs.

HCL is planning a year filled with fun events and fundraisers. To learn more about how you can become involved, please contact huntingtoncharityleague@gmail.com or follow HCL on Facebook [@huntingtoncharityleague](https://www.facebook.com/huntingtoncharityleague).

S. Robert and Denise Zeilstra Gift Shop

Janet Sedgwick



“**T**o anyone interested in volunteer work, I definitely recommend considering Huntington Health,” says Janet Sedgwick, regular S. Robert and Denise Zeilstra Gift Shop volunteer. “You’ll love the people who you work with. And it leaves you with the best feeling, knowing that you helped brighten the day of patients and staff.”

Janet began volunteering here in 2019 when a friend recommended it. It was a perfect fit for Janet, who has a background in health care and a desire to give back to her Pasadena community. Aside from a pause during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, she has been a regular volunteer at our gift shop ever since.

Her connection to Huntington goes beyond volunteer work. Janet has also been a patient. Whenever she has received care here, as she recalls, “the experience and care were always phenomenal.”

Community support. Janet knows great care when she sees it. She was a critical care nurse for 11 years, back when she lived in Iowa. She especially knows the value of compassionate, personalized care. It is one of the things she loves about our hospital. “Huntington has the feeling of a community hospital,” she notes. “The health care workers deliver such personal care. It’s like a big city with a small-town atmosphere.”

In addition to her duties with the gift shop, Janet has volunteered in our Nan and Howard Schow Emergency & Trauma Center, where she provided patients with blankets, answered call lights and more.

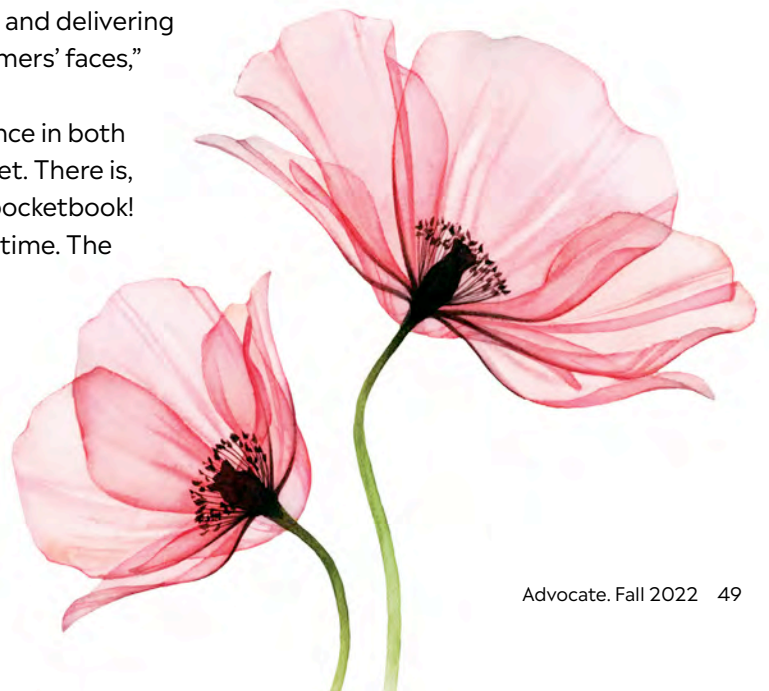
Janet believes strongly in supporting her community, and spends time volunteering for several other organizations. When not volunteering, Janet can often be found crafting or gardening.

All smiles. During her volunteer hours at the gift shop, Janet works the cash register, restocks and prices items, helps customers and creates attractive displays highlighting the shop’s diverse inventory.

Janet loves bringing joy to visitors and staff through simple acts of customer service such as gift-wrapping products and delivering flowers. “Nothing beats bringing a smile to customers’ faces,” she says.

Knowing that she is making a positive difference in both patient and staff lives is deeply rewarding for Janet. There is, she says, only one downside: “the impact on my pocketbook! I can’t help but buy things at the gift shop all the time. The products are so different from what you can find anywhere else!”

Located in Huntington Hospital’s main lobby, visit the S. Robert and Denise Zeilstra Gift Shop, open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. To learn how you can become a gift shop volunteer, please contact the volunteer department at (626) 397-5208.





Sylva Hekimian

Huntington Collection

It's fun to see a customer's joy," Sylva Hekimian says, "when they find that perfect piece of furniture, just the right book or the most beautiful piece of china." Shoppers can find all kinds of treasures at Huntington Collection, which sells high-quality donated merchandise. Proceeds from sales at the Collection help support Huntington Health's Senior Care Network.

Sylva volunteers at the Collection one to two times a week, helping to inspect and organize donated merchandise for display and work the cash register. Helping customers is, in her mind, the best part of the job.

A wake-up call.

In 2009, Sylva's mother was hospitalized at a facility in Orange County for an injury she sustained after taking a fall. Sylva was impressed by the level of care her mother received during her month-long hospital stay there, but was also concerned that the facility was so short-staffed. The experience opened Sylva's eyes to the need for more volunteers in health care.

When she returned to her home in Pasadena, Sylva resolved to look for local

volunteer opportunities where she could support health care workers like those who had cared for her mother. Her pursuit led her to Huntington Collection, where she has volunteered ever since.

Giving back.

Over the years, many of Sylva's family members have been patients at Huntington Hospital. Her husband, Stephen, was even born here. Sylva has also been a patient, and her experience was overwhelmingly positive. She attributes this to Huntington's special brand of compassionate community care and our outstanding caregivers.

This dedication to providing exceptional care to those who need it most makes Sylva proud to be a volunteer here. It is also why she appreciates that the Collection supports Senior Care Network, a nationally recognized program that helps older and disabled adults remain healthy and independent.

"For me personally," she says, "it's important I do anything I can to give back to the community, especially if it helps raise funds for services like those provided by Senior Care Network. When I give my time to Huntington, I feel like I'm getting a lot back, too."



Huntington Collection has moved!

Visit Huntington Collection's new location at 2670 East Colorado Boulevard in Pasadena. Purchases made at this unique resale shop help fund Senior Care Network's important work supporting seniors and other vulnerable adults. Donations are welcome and tax deductible.

The Collection is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please note the entrance to Huntington Collection is located off of San Gabriel Boulevard. Call (626) 535-2468 or visit [huntingtoncollection.org](https://www.huntingtoncollection.org) to learn more.

Volunteer Spotlight. Terri Takeuchi
Doing more to give back.



Terri Takeuchi believes in Huntington Health's work. It is why she has volunteered with us for more than a decade. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Terri was inspired to do even more by also becoming a donor.

When volunteers were allowed to return to campus, Terri quickly noticed hospital staff were using a large number of disposable face masks every day. It got her thinking about all of the other supplies we need for our daily operations, including printed patient materials. "I ran my own office," she notes, "so I know how fast those types of costs can add up. Someone has to pay for it all."

Terri wanted to help cover some of our costs by donating to our work. "Even a little bit helps," she says. Terri chose to give an unrestricted gift so that, as she says, "Huntington can decide where they need it the most."

Part of the team.

Terri has been involved with the hospital since 2011, when she first began volunteering here. Back then, she knew she wanted to give back to her community in some way, and that she wanted to contribute to the health care field.

With three decades of experience as a dental hygienist under her belt, being around patients comes naturally to Terri. Although she had never received care at Huntington Hospital, she lives nearby and knew of our reputation for excellence. She applied to become a volunteer here.

Terri began her volunteer service in errand and escort, before helping out in other areas of the hospital over the course of the next year. She then moved to our peri-operative health center, a lively department on our campus. Terri notes that "it's busier than any other area I know of at the hospital!"

At the center, patients undergo screenings, blood tests, electrocardiograms and more, prior to surgery. Terri helps with pre-registration three days a week by greeting patients, giving them forms to fill out and other tasks.

Terri feels right at home in the bustling center. It gives her a sense of true fulfillment to help patients there. "Every day when I leave I feel like I accomplished something," she says. "When a patient thanks me, it makes me feel like I'm a vital part of the team."

Community-minded.

Giving back to her community has always been an important part of Terri's life. When her children were young, she volunteered at their school in the library or as a teacher's aide. Later, she spent time as a volunteer at the Los Angeles County Superior Court. On Sundays, Terri can be found helping out at her church. Her family is also community-minded, with both of her daughters donating their time to important causes.

"Volunteering is not extraordinary for us," Terri says. "It's a normal part of our lives. We've been so blessed that we feel it's important to give back when we can."

While Terri supports our community in many ways, the hospital holds a special place in her heart — and not only because one of her grandchildren was born here. "Volunteering at Huntington is almost like my second life," she reveals. "I feel like I belong there."

This commitment to helping the community also extends to Terri's monetary giving. "Besides giving your time," she says, "I think you should do what you can to share your finances. It's a good thing to push yourself to do a little more for an institution like Huntington Hospital. It adds so much meaning to your life when you do something that helps others."

Claudine is Huntington.



For more information on how Huntington employees or volunteers can make a gift to *I am Huntington*, please contact Josué Hernández, manager of annual fund and donor groups, at josue.hernandez@huntingtonhospital.com.

Every Huntington Hospital staff member plays an important role in ensuring we are able to deliver high-quality, compassionate patient care. Through donations to our employee giving campaign, *I am Huntington*, our team members have another way to express their dedication to our mission: by supporting us with a philanthropic donation.

Gifts made through *I am Huntington* support our Huntington Annual Fund, and help us get what we need to provide the best possible care to our patients. These gifts also demonstrate how strongly our employees believe in our work.

Claudine Corralejo, RN, BSN, who has been a part of our Family Birth Center for 24 years, is one of the thoughtful employees who has given through *I am Huntington*. “Huntington Hospital invested in me,” Claudine says. “They have provided so many opportunities for me to pursue advanced education and specialty credentials. I chose to donate through the *I am Huntington* campaign to give back for all that I was privileged to have here, and to ensure other nurses have the same experience.”

Claudine adds that her giving also helps make sure the hospital can direct resources to the programs that need them the most. “With COVID-19,” she says, “the hospital has felt a financial burden. Now more than ever, it’s important to support their work.”

Claudine hopes that her giving will encourage others to support Huntington. “Regardless of the amount, any gift makes a difference,” she adds. “I tell everyone they should consider donating.”

Thank you to Claudine, and all the thoughtful employees who have shown their support by giving through *I am Huntington*.

Introducing a new board member.

Huntington Hospital is pleased to welcome the following member to our board of directors in 2022.



Erin Baker

Erin Rothenberg Baker, MBA, previously served as vice president of marketing communications for the grocery store chain Trader Joe's. Today, she is an officer of the Fitzberg Foundation, which has provided vital support for Huntington Hospital's work over many years.

A patron of the arts, Erin is also the vice chair of Pasadena Playhouse's board of directors and a member of its board of trustees. Additionally, she is on the board of trustees at Chandler School. Erin is active in a variety of other community organizations, including Westridge School; Inner City Arts; Planned Parenthood; The Huntington Library, Art Museum, and Botanical Gardens; Foothill Family Service; and College Access Plan.

Born and raised in Pasadena, Erin is a graduate of Westridge High School. She went on to complete her undergraduate degree at Stanford University, as well as earn her Master of Business Administration from Claremont Graduate University. For Erin, Huntington board service is a family affair: Her late father served on our board for many years. She and her husband, Jeremy, live in Pasadena with their two children.

We warmly welcome Erin to our board of directors.

Huntington + Cedars-Sinai Affiliation

Frequently asked questions.

Our affiliation with Cedars-Sinai represents an exciting new chapter in our history. We want to keep you informed, since you are an integral part of the Huntington family. Here are a few frequently asked questions that share additional information about our new affiliation.

Is there a new name and logo?

Yes! We updated both our name and logo to reflect our affiliation with Cedars-Sinai and note our evolution as a leader in creating community well-being. We are now Huntington Health, an affiliate of Cedars-Sinai.

Does Huntington Hospital still exist?

Absolutely. Huntington Hospital remains our flagship facility, and is a location within the Huntington Health umbrella. In fact, the monument sign at the front of the hospital continues to read Huntington Hospital.

Why are we now called Huntington Health?

The name Huntington Health reflects the fact that over the past 130 years we have become more than just a trusted hospital. Additional locations to receive care within Huntington Health include Huntington Cancer Center, an





affiliate of Cedars-Sinai Cancer; Huntington Ambulatory Surgery Center; and Huntington Health outpatient physician offices. Please visit huntingtonhealth.org/trustedcare to read more about our many affiliated partners.

Why did we choose to affiliate?

Huntington has been the preferred choice for trusted care in our region for generations, but the days of the standalone hospital are coming to an end. Affiliating with a large, stable health system is helping us overcome the challenges we faced as a smaller, independent institution operating in the modern health care era. The affiliation with Cedars-Sinai gives us access to additional resources that further strengthen our ability to provide the San Gabriel Valley with personalized, high-quality care, close to home. Cedars-Sinai and Huntington share many similarities in philosophy and mission, including an emphasis on patient-centered care with a strong local community focus, which was so important to us as a community hospital.

How will the affiliation benefit Huntington and its patients?

Already, we can see our affiliation with Cedars was the right choice. With the power of our combined resources, we are making improvements to how we work by finding opportunities to collaborate and share expertise that will further strengthen how we deliver care to our local population.

To begin, a new electronic health record system, CS-Link, will be available to our patients beginning November 6. This improved technology allows you

to be better connected to your health, from test results to appointment scheduling, and provides our caregivers a more complete view of your health record so they can provide the best care.

Will my charitable donations still be used to support care at Huntington Hospital?

Yes! While we may now be affiliated with Cedars-Sinai, we want to reassure you that any charitable contributions you make will continue to be locally controlled by Huntington and support world-class care here in Pasadena.

Does Huntington Hospital still need my support?

Huntington Hospital continues to rely on the involvement of generous friends like you to provide excellent care. Gifts to our Huntington Annual Fund will continue to directly benefit the areas of greatest need across our campus and help ensure world-class health care is available to all those who need it.

To whom do I write my check now?

Please continue to make your check payable to Huntington Hospital.

I have questions. Where can I get more information?

The office of philanthropy can be reached at give@huntingtonhospital.com or at (626) 397-3241 if you have any questions about the affiliation and how it impacts your charitable giving.

We speak your language.

We are committed to providing you with compassionate care regardless of the language you speak.

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Dear friends:



As chair of the board for Huntington Health, it is my honor to thank you for your continued support of our very special place of hope, healing and superlative medical care. Your steadfast commitment to all we do helps us not only survive but thrive — even in these times of uncertainty and change.

Over the past year, your generous giving has helped enhance the level of care we are able to deliver, including complex tertiary care for cardiac and surgical patients in our new state-of-the-art facilities. Your charitable donations also play a critical role in allowing us to make strategic investments in our medical technologies, our staff and on our physical campus.

While I am so very grateful for your generous support of the work we do, I am also filled with gratitude for the efforts of our excellent nursing professionals and medical staff. Their tireless work in delivering lifesaving care during a global pandemic — and beyond — are paramount to Huntington Hospital. Because of them, we persevered through the worst COVID-19 had to offer and continued to deliver high-quality lifesaving care to everyone in this community.

Looking ahead, I am optimistic about our future. We will continue to strive for the best patient and staff experience possible through our partnership with Cedars-Sinai Health System. Indeed, Cedars-Sinai is the standard bearer of excellence in our industry: *U.S. News & World Report* has ranked Cedars-Sinai the second-best hospital in the nation and first in California. We continue to be delighted to be aligned with them on clinical quality — and we expect our affiliation will further patient outcomes, patient experience and employee satisfaction.

Now and always, thank you for your unwavering support.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jaymie M. Studenmund". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Jaymie Studenmund
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