Dear Friends,

We believe grateful hearts change lives. Your gifts of gratitude inspire and impact the growth of our mission to improve the health of those we serve. Our partnership with you drives programs and services of vital importance in today’s changing healthcare landscape. Programs and services that aren’t just about cures, but also care, grace, and dignity. On behalf of the Foundation and every patient and family that benefited from your selfless act, thank you for your compassion.

The word philanthropy traces its roots back to ancient Greece and refers to “the love of human kind.” What better demonstration of this love could there be than some of the highlights from this past fiscal year:

- The funding of a first-of-its-kind OhioHealth Neuroscience Wellness Center bringing key neurological wellness programs under one roof in a facility dedicated to mind, body, and spirit
- Transforming a heart and vascular waiting area into an interactive education experience for both patients and their families
- Almost $300,000 in scholarships distributed to nurses to continue their education
- A new mobile mammography unit dedicated to women’s health in underserved southeast Ohio
- Addressing the opioid epidemic in our communities and training our physicians on the proper usage of opiate medications
- 10% growth of OhioHealth associate giving through our annual WE Give program

These as well as many more special moments filled an amazing fiscal year. Thanks to your growing support, WE were able to lift to a record high $24.7 million in total funding – doubling our total from the previous year. Your gifts to our programs and services fuel our vision to make care for our patients easier, more affordable, and closer to home.

We believe your generosity fortifies our cardinal value to honor the dignity and worth of each person. As we believe in our patients and their families. Thank you for believing in us.

With gratitude,

Karen J. Morrison, JD, MS
President, OhioHealth Foundation
Senior Vice President, OhioHealth

Dana L. Casson, CFRE
System Vice President and Chief Philanthropy Officer, OhioHealth Foundation
We focus fundraising in four key areas to make meaningful and long-lasting improvements in the healthcare we provide in the communities we serve throughout Ohio.

**INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY | PAGE 6**
We support the discovery and use of new innovations, not only because they raise the bar for cutting-edge medicine, but because they reveal unexpected ways to better care for our patients — to find cures and new solutions and to improve our patients’ experiences in ways both big and small.

**RESEARCH & EDUCATION | PAGE 8**
In healthcare, more than in any other field, there’s no such thing as knowing too much. We fund research and education so our healthcare professionals can continually gain new knowledge and share what they know with our teams and patients alike.

**INFRASTRUCTURE & FACILITIES | PAGE 10**
We’re committed to keeping our buildings as up-to-date and efficient as what happens inside them. Because when our care sites are conducive to comfort and healing, our patients feel better faster, families are more at ease, and our teams can focus on doing what they do best: care.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH | PAGE 12**
We support outreach efforts, to carry our knowledge and expertise beyond our walls and into our communities. We look for meaningful ways to connect with the residents of Ohio and empower them to seek, find and maintain the care that will keep them healthy and allow them to thrive.
Prior to Wesley, the hospital relied on volunteers to bring in therapy dogs and could not meet the growing number of patient and provider requests for pet therapy. Carol Connor, director of volunteer services at Riverside Methodist worked with Anita Laterro, the OhioHealth Foundation’s vice president of philanthropy, to raise the funds needed to begin a facility dog program. In addition to purchasing, training and caring for Wesley, the hospital had to recruit and train 12 volunteer handlers and 10 dog walkers to accompany Wesley while he works.

Peter George, MD, MBA, system vice president of OhioHealth Heart and Vascular Services, and his wife, Jodi George, generously donated $26,000 to get the program up and running. Additional donors keep the program going.

Therapeutic golf transforms lives

OhioHealth Fore Hope was founded in 1989 by Mindy Derr, in memory of her father, an avid golfer, who became disabled in retirement.

Fore Hope’s certified recreation therapists work with participants to develop the right adaptive golf curriculum for their condition, including use of specialized equipment that allows those with physical disabilities to play with the same advantages as an able-bodied player.

In 2012, Fore Hope began searching for a strong partner to ensure the future of the program, eventually joining the OhioHealth Foundation family in 2017.

Why therapy dogs are so special

+ They help improve the physical and mental health of our patients
+ They provide calm, comfort and companionship
+ Their unconditional love is a source of happiness and hope patients can draw from, often providing motivation to recover more quickly

Your philanthropic support helps Fore Hope make a difference

+ Supports people living with cognitive or physical disabilities from neurological conditions like stroke, Parkinson’s disease, multiple sclerosis and traumatic brain injury
+ Improves patients’ balance, range of motion, strength, endurance, standing tolerance, decision-making skills, long- and short-term memory and social interactions
+ Helps patients achieve greater independence

Furry associate spreads love and comfort

Wesley, a labradoodle puppy named for the founder of the United Methodist Church, is OhioHealth Riverside Methodist Hospital’s first and only facility therapy dog. He was trained and certified to provide comfort and loving care to patients, visitors and associates.

“Without Fore Hope, I wouldn’t have the opportunity to set goals and become a golfer again.” — Fore Hope Participant

“To be able to bring a dog like Wesley right into the patient room and have them get a little bit of what they’re missing from home is great.” — Peter George, MD, MBA
**Family medicine residency launches with six new residents**

*OhioHealth Dublin Methodist Hospital is one step closer to providing comprehensive graduate medical education.*

The hospital’s new three-year Family Medicine Residency program began in 2018 with six residents, who are already treating patients under the supervision of board-certified family medicine faculty physicians.

The program will train physicians to become certified family medicine specialists.

Proceeds from the OhioHealth Golf Invitational and several major donations will fund construction of a designated space for the residency program.

“It is our hope that by providing this opportunity in Dublin, family medicine residents will remain in our community to provide access to care for our patients and their families. Thank you for your investment and for helping bring the future of healthcare to the Dublin community.” — Matt Kunar, DO, MBOE, Program Director

**Nursing excellence**

Gifts designated to our nursing excellence funds support opportunities for nurses to pursue professional development through continuing education and advanced degrees needed to maintain the highest quality of patient care to come.

*In 2018, your philanthropic support through the OhioHealth Foundation:*  
  - Provided more than $296,400 for nursing scholarships  
  - Granted 263 scholarships to OhioHealth nurses  
  - Assisted nurses who are working on the undergraduate and advanced nursing degrees  
  - Helped ensure the highest quality of patient care for years to come

“My growth is only possible because of the Rose M. Williams Nursing Scholarship, and I am so grateful to have been chosen to receive this wonderful blessing.” — Octavia Crenshaw, RN

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**Education for heart and vascular patients boosts cardiac rehabilitation participation**

Patients and their caregivers can now learn about heart and vascular conditions while in the family waiting area on the second floor of the McConnell Heart Hospital.

A generous philanthropic gift from Ginni D. Ragan funded the purchase, maintenance and implementation of 3D video boards and biodigital kiosk stations.

These educational tools help increase knowledge retention, patient satisfaction and cardiac rehabilitation participation rates.

“CARE is the ‘heart’ of what we do at Riverside Methodist Hospital. Having our patients and their families comprehend, and be involved in our state of the art mission of dedication and compassion in their care is our privilege.” — Ginni D. Ragan
OhioHealth Neuroscience Center — the first of its kind

OhioHealth opened our OhioHealth Neuroscience Center in 2015, offering a complete range of clinical services in one central location. It has become a destination for patients and providers seeking life-changing neuroscience care.

But experts at the Neuroscience Center believe a dedicated space is needed to bridge the gap between clinical care provided at the center and the life strategies neuroscience patients need to maintain improvement after treatment.

The OhioHealth Neuroscience Wellness Center will offer programs designed specifically for people with neurologic conditions, including OhioHealth Delay the Disease™, cardio and step aerobics, tai chi, yoga, wellness and nutrition classes, and support groups. The Wellness Center has been specifically configured to serve as a program incubator, where OhioHealth experts can test ideas and then expand successful programs to other care sites. The facility will have the capacity to serve as many as 1,600 individuals on an annual basis.

The total projected cost for the OhioHealth Neuroscience Wellness Center is $19.5 million, which includes support for the first five years of operations. The facility will be strategically located on the newly named OhioHealth McConnell Wellness Campus, renamed to commemorate a $6 million dollar gift from the McConnell family. The facility will be located near OhioHealth Riverside Methodist Hospital.

Healing garden for cancer patients opens thanks to local support

Receiving a cancer diagnosis and going through treatment is stressful and emotionally draining for patients and their families. Now, when patients seek cancer care at the OhioHealth Delaware Health Center, they will find a dedicated space to seek peace.

In late May, the community got its first look at our new cancer healing garden, with a special dedication made possible thanks to generous donations of materials, time and talent from Oberfields and other businesses and individuals in Delaware County. The garden is proof of what can happen through individual and community support.

“This will be here for decades to come,” says OhioHealth system philanthropy director Ryan Marshall. “It’s an immeasurable impact that is going to mean something to someone down the road, whether they are coming here to have a reflective moment or just trying to find a quiet place to escape. Down the road, that person might ask what they can do to pass on gratitude.”

“We felt like this was a project we wanted to go all in on, just give what we could, and give generously.” — Matt Moore of Oberfields
Providing women’s health services to rural communities in southeast Ohio

The OhioHealth mobile mammography program is now providing accessible, advanced screening mammography to women in underserved areas in southeast Ohio.

OhioHealth O’Bleness Hospital launched the mobile mammography service in September, following a $1.3 million fundraising campaign and a four-month process to design and build the mobile unit. Patients can receive services two days a week at the OhioHealth Nelsonville Health Center.

The mobile unit has also been traveling to local employers and community partners since November, and attends major events in the region to enhance awareness about the availability of screening mammograms.

“This offering mammography screenings where women live and work is critically important. Screening improves breast cancer outcomes and saves lives.” — Mark Seckinger, president of OhioHealth O’Bleness Hospital

This unit was funded in large part by major donors including:

- American Electric Power Foundation
- Ohio Governor’s Office of Appalachia
- Susan G. Komen Columbus
- Charles G. O’Bleness Foundation
- Peoples Bank Foundation Inc.
- Mark and Kathy Seckinger
- OhioHealth O’Bleness Hospital Charity Golf Tournament

Combating the Opioid Epidemic in Athens County

The opioid crisis continues to devastate the nation, and the epidemic’s effects are felt strongly in southeast Ohio.

To find solutions for the region, OhioHealth O’Bleness Hospital and Ohio University’s College of Health Sciences and Professions hosted a three-day series of community events featuring Sam Quinones, a journalist and author of Dreamland: The True Tale of America’s Opiate Epidemic. His book chronicles the rise of opioid addiction in the United States, and was the most checked-out book in 2017 from the Athens County Public Libraries system, pointing to a growing community concern around opioid abuse and addiction. In advance of his visit, O’Bleness Hospital sponsored an initiative with the area library system that distributed hundreds of copies of Dreamland free-of-charge.

Quinones presented the college’s annual public Grover Lecture, led community discussions and forums in Athens and nearby Nelsonville, and met with physicians, nurses, and community health leaders. Information about local addiction services and support resources were also provided at the public events, courtesy of the college and Athens HOPE, a community partnership focused on fighting the opioid epidemic in the Athens area through prevention and education. Hundreds of community members participated in one or more of the events.

Funding of this program was made possible thanks to the 2016 Home in Ohio event.

“Here at OhioHealth, we’ve embraced the message of Dreamland and have taken on several initiatives this past year to assure we are doing everything within our power to prevent addiction from occurring, that we are spotting the warning signs of addiction, that we are getting patients into treatment and getting them connected to resources to reduce the likelihood of relapse.” — Brett Kim, vice president, South Region, OhioHealth Physician Group
We believe in stewardship
OhioHealth offers programs and services to help support the growth and development of our associates so that they may, in turn, help our patients. As we work to grow and develop ourselves, we are inspired to help others do the same.

$1.24M+
IN DONATIONS AND PLEDGES

127
OhioHealth Foundation
FUNDS SUPPORTED

Every care site represented

Thank you to our associates who give back.

Projects funded through proceeds from Home in Ohio

+ Opioid Community Forum (Athens County) OhioHealth and Ohio University hosted a three-day series of community events that addressed the opioid epidemic in Southeast Ohio.

+ We Are the Majority Rally (Richland County) OhioHealth funding covered travel costs for 2,000 Mansfield-area youth to attend the annual youth rally promoting mental health and lifestyles free from substance abuse and physical violence.

+ Opioid Addiction and Crisis Team Project (Franklin County) OhioHealth, Southeast Mental Health and CompDrug are collaborating on a pilot program to serve Franklin County residents suffering from opiate addiction and mental illness. If successful, funding will be used to expand the program.

+ Nutrition as a Tool Education Sessions (Delaware County) OhioHealth Dublin Methodist Hospital and OhioHealth Grady Memorial Hospital will conduct two nutrition education sessions this year for cancer survivors who are undergoing or have recently completed treatment.

We give
We love. We care. We give.

Wellness Funding in Action
Proceeds raised from Home in Ohio are invested in educational and community-based health and wellness programs and services that help bring the exceptional healthcare of OhioHealth closer to home.

Thank you to our associates who give back.

“As associates we observe patient needs daily. Our contributions address those identified needs. Who better to trust and fund than ourselves?” — Julie Collins

“Giving to the Foundation is a small way to show my support for the company which I work.” — Peggy Porco

Thank you to the 34 OhioHealth associates who have given consecutively for 20 or more years.

Their giving totals $391,534!
Highlights From Across the System

**Sp ecial Events**

**Riverside Methodist**

Riverside Methodist nurses were honorees at the 31st anniversary of the OhioHealth Riverside Methodist Hospital Gratitude Tree Ceremony. The event raised over $100,000 to support programs and services for patients and families at Riverside Methodist.

**OHIoHEAlTH INVITATIONAL**

In October 2017 we held our seventh annual OhioHealth Invitational at Muirfield Village Golf Club. Projects funded through generous support included: cardiac cath lab for heart services, surgery waiting area healing garden and Dublin family residency practice. More than $900,000 has been raised in seven years.

**MANSFIELD 100 YEAR CELEBRATION**

During the 100-year anniversary of Mansfield Hospital, many physicians and community leaders made first-time gifts totaling $560,000. These gifts will be directed toward priority needs and heart and vascular services.

**KITCHEN KAPERS**

Kitchen Kapers is a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to raising funds benefiting cancer care services at OhioHealth Riverside Methodist Hospital through the popular Kitchen Kapers tour of remodeled kitchens in the Upper Arlington, Ohio and surrounding areas. Their September 2017 event raised $106,000.

**MEMORY MILE**

More than 400 friends, families and colleagues gathered to celebrate life’s precious moments and honor the memories of their loved ones at the fourth annual OhioHealth Memory Mile. We are proud to report that participation by sponsors and walkers raised over $60,000 for specialty bereavement programs.

**GRATITUDE TREE AT OHIoHEAlTH RIVERSIDE METHODIST HOSPITAL**

Proceeds from the 2016 Home in Ohio event fund this program and its purpose: teaching community members to save lives in traumatic situations. Trauma team associates are teaching courses in Franklin County and Richland County schools.

**GRATITUDE ILLUMINATION AT OHIoHEAlTH GRANT MEDICAL CENTER**

The Wood family and their beloved physician, Tapan Mehta, MD, were honorees at the 2017 OhioHealth Grant Medical Center Illumination Ceremony. The event raised over $50,000 to support programs and services for patients and families at Grant.

**STOP THE BLEED**

Tough Enough to Wear Pink is a three-day charity horse show raising money to support cancer patients and their families at the OhioHealth Arthur G.H. Bing Cancer Center. Each member of the committee has a passion for horses and a bigger passion for helping cancer patients. They have contributed more than $165,000 in three years.

**TOUGH ENOUGH TO WEAR PINK**

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At OhioHealth, extraordinary care happens each and every day thanks to our providers, associates and volunteers who keep our mission at the core of our business: To improve the health of those we serve.

The OhioHealth Foundation’s Gifts of Gratitude program helps our family of faith-based, not-for-profit hospitals and healthcare services fulfill their commitment to our mission by funding new technology, facility renovations and clinical programs that enhance the experience of our patients and their families.

Gifts of Gratitude Participants:

"Your support and dedication of love and caring not only to the patient but also the family is priceless.”

"My life was saved twice by the Riverside doctors!”

"It’s a way for us to give back and help future patients and improve lives, the way you did for us.”
Thank you!

Our 29,000 associates, physicians, board members and volunteers thank you for supporting our mission to improve the health of those we serve.

Your generosity provided more than $24.7 million in charitable donations to the OhioHealth Foundation in fiscal year 2018.

Philanthropic gifts like yours help us bring the exceptional healthcare of OhioHealth closer to home in the communities we serve.

You can make a difference

We rely on charitable gifts to carry out our mission to improve the health of those we serve. Here are just a few ways you can help:

Donate Online
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Mail Your Donation
The OhioHealth Foundation
180 East Broad Street, Floor 31
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Leverage Matching Gifts
Your company may match your gift! Contact your company’s HR department to learn if they match charitable contributions.

Planned Giving
Explore the benefits of charitable gift planning. Contact us today for more details at (614) 544.4483 or by visiting ohiohealthlegacy.org.