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Philanthropy Powers Our Mission



Foundation Family,

This issue of Compassionate Giving highlights the meaningful impact of philanthropy across our Good Samaritan community. From transformative patient stories to exciting developments with our new West Tower and Good Samaritan College, each page reflects how philanthropy drives our mission forward to enhance the lives of those we serve.

At the heart of this fall issue is Tony Kist's journey with cancer. His experience at the Good Samaritan Free Health Center is a powerful reminder of what compassionate care can do when partnered with philanthropy. "They saved my life," Tony says. It's stories like his that keep us focused on what matters most.

We're also welcoming new faces to our Board of Trustees. Dr. Bob Burger and Allison Carissimi have joined our Board, bringing fresh insight and deep commitment. We were also happy to officially welcome Allison Gerrety to our Foundation team in January.

There's a lot of excitement around the hospital these days, especially with the West Tower expansion officially underway. You can feel the buzz as this project is transforming our campus and setting the stage for world-class care that will be provided within its walls. In this issue, you'll also read about how the Good Samaritan Hospital Guild is helping elevate patient experience and provide resources for departments across the region through their annual funding. Additionally, we highlight a truly special moment this summer: a joyful day at the Zoo for our NICU families and graduates.

Looking ahead, we're proud to share a new philanthropic opportunity that supports TriHealth's School-to-Work graduates, should they choose to continue their education at Good Samaritan College. We're building on the important impact that scholarships make through supporting opportunities for these students within our Surgical and Radiologic Technology programs.

Thank you for being part of this Foundation Family. Your generosity fuels every story in the pages to come.

Gratefully,

Andy Swallow
President and CEO

Good Samaritan Foundation



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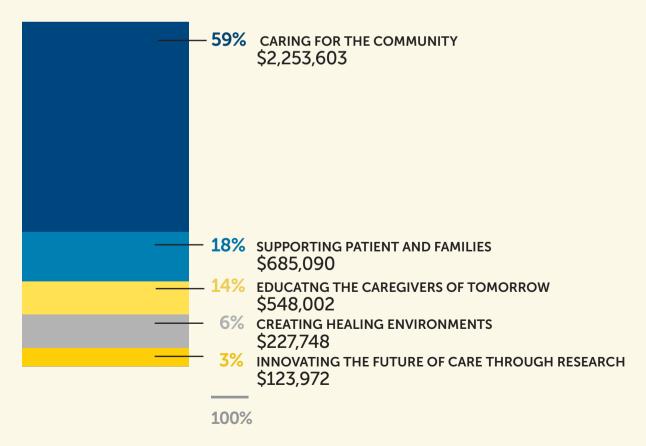
Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Report



Contributions: \$6,613,356

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TRUST/ESTATES \$1,601,621	24%	
\$1,359,929	21%	100%
\$624,130	9%	
GUILD \$214,496	3%	

Distributions: \$3,838,415



Fiscal Year 2025 Areas of Impact



Caring for the Community The Good Samaritan Free Health Center supported 9,571 visits free of charge to uninsured and underserved adults in the Greater Cincinnati community. Volunteer providers and community members served 5,494 hours delivering services in primary, specialty, dental, nutrition, and mental health care.



Educating the Caregivers of Tomorrow Good Samaritan College of Nursing and Health Science's family of supporters funded \$320,000 in scholarships to more than 100 student recipients.



Innovating the Future of Care through Research Six electrocardiogram machines were fully funded to be readily available during patient visits at TriHealth Cancer and Blood Institute locations to improve and streamline patient care during and after specific cancer and blood treatments. These machines are required for the 44 active clinical trials currently being conducted in TCBI.



Supporting Patients and Families Two new Mamava® Pods were placed in the Clifton and Dixmyth Lobbies to offer clean, quiet spaces to nurse or pump for patients, visitors, and team members at Good Samaritan Hospital.



Creating Healing Environments A birthing simulator for the Michael S. Baggish, MD Learning Center will educate team members on gynecological and birthing scenarios, allowing them to learn and practice high-risk situations to improve patient outcomes.

Good Samaritan Foundation Welcomes New Trustees



Dr. Robert Burger, a founding member of Beacon Orthopaedics, brings over 25 years of expertise in sports medicine and orthopaedic surgery. He earned his Medical Degree in 1985 and completed his residency at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine in 1990, followed by a fellowship in Orthopaedic Sports Medicine at the prestigious Hughston Orthopaedic Clinic in 1991. He played a pivotal leadership role at Beacon, serving as President for six years and contributing to its growth as a member of the Executive Committee for two decades.

Additionally, he has led the Division of Orthopaedic Surgery at Good Samaritan Hospital as Section Head since 2005 and served on its Executive Committee for ten years.



Allison Carissimi is a data science and customer insights executive with over 20 years of cross-industry experience, spanning financial services, grocery retail, and consumer packaged goods. As Senior Vice President and Head of Decision Sciences at Fifth Third Bank, she leads a 50-person team in data science, spatial science, and market research, shaping business strategies through deep analytical expertise.

With a foundation in psychology and over 15 years of team development, Allison is a trusted leader known for translating complex data into actionable business impact.

Outgoing Trustees: We extend our deepest gratitude to Kip Heekin, Dr. Seth Isaacs, and Christina Scalo for their outstanding service and commitment to the Foundation. Kip has served on the Board of Trustees for eleven years, including eight in officer roles and as Chair of Forever *Forward*. Dr. Isaacs is completing his second term, contributing six years of invaluable insight as a physician. Christina, also completing her second term, has served six years and led as the Chair of the Development Committee. Together, their leadership, passion, and dedication have made a lasting impact on the Foundation and Good Sam. Thank you for your years of service.

New Foundation Team Member



Allison Gerrety was welcomed as the Prospect Development & Special Projects Officer at the Good Samaritan Foundation, overseeing the Grateful Patient Program, Good Samaritan Hospital Guild, and donor cultivation efforts. She brings extensive nonprofit experience, including roles with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Cincinnati and Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park. Outside of work, she enjoys time outdoors with her family, especially at Pyramid Hill, where nature and art come together.

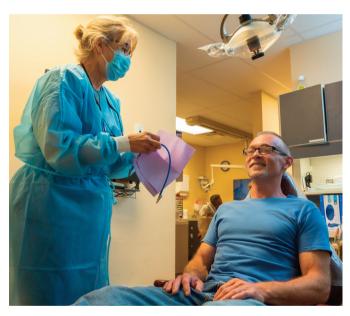
Where Compassion Meets Care - and Lives are Saved

Tony's Journey from Crisis to Recovery at the Good Samaritan Free Health Center

When Tony Kist looked in the mirror one chilly January morning in 2024, he didn't know that the small swelling under his jaw would mark the beginning of a life-changing journey. A landscaper and concrete worker by trade, Tony found the winter to be slow and was prepping for snow removal work for the day when he discovered a lump on his neck. "I thought, 'Well, I don't feel good, but maybe it's just a swollen lymph node or something that'll probably go away." He didn't think anything about it. But as months passed, the lump didn't go away, and he now had fatigue that no amount of rest could cure. "I just didn't feel like myself," Tony remembers. "I work outside, I'm used to the heat and pushing through—but this was different."

Like many hard-working individuals in our community, Tony didn't have health insurance. He didn't qualify for Medicaid either. That left him with few options—until his boss stepped in. Worried about his employee's growing symptoms, Tony's boss contacted Linda Smith-Berry, TriHealth's Director of Community Health Access, who oversees the Good Samaritan Free Health Center. Linda wasted no time. She told Tony to come in the next morning. "She's my savior," he says when referencing Linda's role in his care. "From there, everything went into fast-forward."

Tony was evaluated and diagnosed with oropharyngeal cancer that had spread to his tonsils and lymph nodes. Within days, he was meeting with specialists,



oncologists, a surgeon, and the FHC dentist. He underwent surgery to remove both tonsils and 24 lymph nodes. Then came 30 rounds of radiation. But something remarkable happened: Tony's body responded better than anyone expected. "My doctor told me he's been doing this for 30 years, and I was one of the top two or three patients he's ever seen handle it so well," Tony says with pride.

As we spoke to Tony during a routine dental cleaning appointment at the Free Health Center, it was clear how much he had overcome—and how grateful he was. "If I hadn't come here, I don't know where I'd be. I don't think I'd be here at all," he says. "They saved my life."



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A Lifeline for the Uninsured

Tony's story is powerful, but not uncommon. Every year, thousands of our neighbors live without access to healthcare. They fall into the gap—earning too much to qualify for Medicaid, but not enough to afford private insurance. For these individuals, the Good Samaritan Free Health Center is a lifeline.

Since its inception in 2011, the Free Health Center has cared for thousands of uninsured adults and invested over \$30 million into our community's health. Funded entirely by philanthropy, the FHC offers uninsured adults a true medical home—free primary care, dental care, nutritional education, mental health visits, and compassionate holistic support without judgment.

When people like Tony walk through the FHC doors, they're not just treated—they're seen. Their stories matter. Their lives matter. And thanks to donors like you, their futures can be rewritten.

The Need Is Growing

As the cost of living rises and more people struggle to make ends meet, the demand for the Free Health Center's services continues to grow. Every day, the FHC sees individuals who have gone years without seeing a doctor or dentist. Many are living with undiagnosed chronic conditions or facing health crises that could have been prevented with early care.

The truth is this can't be done without the support of the Good Samaritan Foundation Family. The FHC is 100% funded by generous donors who believe in a healthier, more compassionate community. **Support makes stories like Tony's possible.** It funds the life-saving preventive and routine care that improves both length and quality of life.

"The parable of the Good Samaritan tells a story of a man who was robbed and beaten," said Linda Smith-Berry. "It challenges us with the understanding that everyone is our neighbor and demonstrates the importance of mercy, compassion and the deserving of care and assistance. Any one of us can find ourselves in this situation. We are all just one life event away."

Help Fuel More Stories Like Tony's

As Tony looks ahead, he does so with gratitude and renewed energy. "I feel great again. I feel back to myself," he says, smiling. His last radiation treatment was on December 31, 2024—a new year, a restored life.

There are so many like Tony waiting for care, for answers, and to be seen. With your help, the FHC can be there. When people like Tony walk through the FHC doors, they're not just treatedthey're seen. Their stories matter. Their lives matter. And thanks to donors like you, their futures can be rewritten.



Everyone deserves a chance to be seen, heard, and healed.

Your Philanthropy Update

West Tower Progress



Anticipated full opening: 2028

The West Tower was supported in part by the by the Foundation's Forever *Forward* initiative - a \$30 million commitment to making this new site a success.

The West Tower, which is currently well underway on Good Sam's campus, will be a cornerstone of the hospital's future, bringing together critical services such as neurosciences, cardiovascular care, women's health, advanced surgery, the Cancer and Blood Institute, centralized diagnostics, and a relocated emergency department into one modern, patient-centered facility set to open its first phase in the summer of 2026.

Over the past six months, the construction team has been making remarkable strides as the concrete structure is nearly complete, marking a major milestone in the project. Next, work will shift to enclosing the building with its exterior envelope.

Inside the tower, walls and hallways are being framed on the floors that will house the TriHealth Cancer and Blood Institute (TCBI) and Central Sterile Processing (CSP).

This phase features cutting-edge technology like a GPS-guided robot to paint precise floor markings to guide the framing process, ensuring accuracy and efficiency like never before.



Good Samaritan Hospital Guild Awards More Than \$280,000

For fiscal year 2025, an impressive \$280,000 was distributed to 28 locations throughout the Good Samaritan Region by the Good Samaritan Hospital Guild.

One specific area of funding was the Good Samaritan OB/GYN Center, which received \$2,500 to purchase glucose meters and supplies to benefit pregnant women who are uninsured or underinsured. These supplies allow patients to test their blood sugars in real time via fingerstick testing, which is an essential component of diabetes management during pregnancy.

"The glucose meters are imperative for diabetes management during pregnancy," said Julie Wanstrath, Med, RD, LD, CDCES, Registered Dietitian/Diabetes Educator. "These glucose values help the patient and the clinical team know how the carbohydrate-counting meal plan and exercise plan need to be modified for the patient during pregnancy. They also determine if medication intervention needs to be added for blood sugar control. This is vital because elevated blood sugars in pregnancy may increase the risk of delivering a larger baby, the possibility of a c-section, increased risk of pre-eclampsia, pre-term birth, birth defects, stillbirth, low blood sugar for the newborn baby, or having Type 2 diabetes later in life for patients with gestational diabetes."



Natalie Mollet, MS, RDN, LD, Hannah Dean-Brown RN, BSN, Diabetes Nurse Case Manager, and Julie Wanstrath, Med, RDN, LD, CDCES, Registered Dietitian/Diabetes Educator, with supplies funded by the Guild.

With this grant, the OB/GYN Center is helping patients manage diabetes during pregnancy and reduce the risk of complications, while providing healing and keeping patients well and informed.

To learn more about the Guild and view the full list of departments that received awards last fiscal year, visit gshfoundation.com/guild.

Your Philanthropy Update

A Wildly Special Day at the Zoo for NICU Graduates and Families

In May, graduates and families from the Good Samaritan Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit gathered to spend a day of family fun at the Cincinnati Zoo. Families and caregivers met and reconnected over a picnic lunch and wild animal encounters!

The NICU Reunion Picnic, a returning favorite event hosted by Good Samaritan Foundation and sponsored by the Ruth Lyons Children's Fund, had a roaring 700 individuals registered for the day of fun, which included 200 NICU graduates!

More than just a fun-filled day, the NICU Reunion Picnic creates meaningful impacts on our NICU families. One parent from the event mentioned, "In reality, these nurses and doctors are the ones we should be thanking. They saved my children numerous times during their tough battle being born so early. They comforted my husband and me through the toughest times of our lives. They taught us how to be strong and interact with our babies, even if we were terrified of all the devices and wires attached to them. We knew every day when we had to leave our babies at the hospital, they were going to be well taken care of. Because of them, we were able to get through it."

Good Samaritan Foundation gives special thanks to the Ruth Lyons Children's Fund, an invested partner of the Foundation with a longstanding history with the Good Sam NICU, and all team members who attended and took time to celebrate these families.



View a recap video on the Foundation's YouTube! Search @GoodSamFoundation.



New Philanthropically Funded Mamava® Pods Arrive at GSH



Two Mamava® Pods have now found a home in Good Samaritan Hospital in the Clifton Lobby and Dixmyth Lobby. These pods are freestanding, private lactation spaces designed for breastfeeding and pumping, offering a secure and convenient place to feed or pump in Good Sam. The gift was made through Good Samaritan Foundation by Dr. Kellie Smith in memory of her husband, Dr. Richard Valido, who was an OB/GYN physician at TriHealth.

"I hope these will provide a safe space and reprieve for mothers doing the most essential work - both caring for their children and also caring for patients at Good Samaritan Hospital," said Kellie. "My husband spent his medical career in women's health care, so I can think of no better way to honor his memory."



Good Samaritan Foundation Launches Initiative to Empower School-to-Work Students and Strengthen Healthcare Workforce

Good Samaritan Foundation is soon introducing a new philanthropic initiative aimed at expanding educational access and creating life-changing opportunities for students in the TriHealth School-to-Work (STW) Program. While the concept is in its early stages, with the help of our family of donors, this vision will turn into reality. Scholarships to Good Samaritan College of Nursing and Health Science will allow STW graduates to embark on meaningful careers in healthcare, removing financial obstacles and establishing a well-supported pathway to guide them on their journey to "Become a healer."















Since its launch in 2019 as a partnership between Cincinnati Public Schools and TriHealth, the STW Program bridges the gap between education and employment by offering high school students direct access to immersive, hands-on experiences in a real-world healthcare setting. Students in the program rotate through clinical and non-clinical departments at Good Samaritan Hospital under the guidance of job coaches and mentors as they develop professionalism, confidence, and a long-term vision for their futures.

This initiative is rooted in a vision of equity and opportunity. Many STW participants are first-generation college students, striving to break generational barriers and contribute meaningfully to the health of their communities. Through the power of compassionate giving, the Good Samaritan Foundation seeks to remove tuition barriers, allowing students to focus on learning and becoming healers, rather than worrying about how to afford higher education.

Through support from donors invested in this cause, STW graduates will have a unique opportunity to pursue degrees in Radiologic Technology or Surgical Technology at Good Samaritan College. Students also receive a 25% tuition discount as TriHealth team members, and can work part-time during their studies, earning a paycheck while they learn. It is philanthropy that closes the final gap, making the dream to "Become a healer" at GSC truly achievable.

"We're excited to build on the important impact that scholarships make in the lives of Good Samaritan College students by expanding to support our Radiation Technology and Surgical Technology programs," said Andy Swallow, Good Samaritan Foundation President and CEO. "I can't think of a better place to start these opportunities with than graduates from TriHealth's School-to-Work program."

The return on this investment is profound. "What began as a pilot in 2019 with just ten students has evolved into a thriving initiative that has now supported 125 young people in finding their path toward academic and professional success," said Joi Lindlau, School to Work Program Director. Many are now pursuing degrees in nursing, medicine, and healthcare administration, with some staying within our system. Twenty STW alumni are currently employed within TriHealth while continuing their education. With every student supported, our regional healthcare grows stronger, while meeting the evolving needs of the wellness of our community. Additionally, students are learning values rooted in the Good Samaritan way of compassionate care.

With the continued generosity of partners like bi3, CommonSpirit Health, TriHealth's supporting foundations, and our own family of donors, Good Samaritan Foundation is creating a model that benefits both STW graduates, the TriHealth workforce, and the Greater Cincinnati community.

We invite you to be a part of this effort. Your support can empower a student, build a career, and improve healthcare for everyone. Together, we can turn potential into purpose—and ensure that the next generation of healthcare professionals begins their journey with confidence and compassion.



Celebrating Exceptional Care

Good Samaritan Foundation's **Grateful Patients and Families Program** honored 63 nurses and hospital teams and raised more than \$400,000 to support services in the Good Samaritan Region in fiscal year 2025.

Patients often ask how they can thank those who made a difference during their care. Good Samaritan Foundation offers a way to honor a provider, nurse, team member, or department with a gift of gratitude.

Every contribution, big or small, leads to a surprise Grateful Patient Presentation, where the honoree is recognized with your message and a token of appreciation — all presented in front of their team and Good Sam leadership.

It's a meaningful way to say "thank you" and celebrate exceptional care.



Honor an individual or team today by gshfoundation.com/grateful or scan the code. For assistance, call 513 862 3786.



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