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A Message from our Regional Vice President of Philanthropy, Southeast Michigan



After a long, cold winter, it feels wonderful to step outside and witness the rebirth of our beautiful state. That sense of renewal mirrors so much of what is happening across our ministry—growth, progress, and the promise of brighter days ahead.

Even winter's chill couldn't slow our momentum. As you'll read on p. 4, our feature story celebrates a true, once-in-a-generation milestone: the opening of the new Trinity Health Livingston.

This hospital is far more than a building; it is a promise to our community. A promise of cutting edge care close to home.

A promise of healing, innovation, and unwavering compassion for generations to come. We are profoundly grateful to our donors, volunteers, and colleagues whose dedication brought this vision to life.

I'm also pleased to share another meaningful development: Volunteer Services has joined the Office of Philanthropy in Southeast Michigan. By bringing these efforts together, we are strengthening the connection our volunteers feel to our health system, aligning the many ways people choose to give back and amplifying our collective impact. You can learn more about this important integration on p. 14.

This summer also brings a bittersweet farewell. Matthew Griffin, MD, Chief Medical Officer and President of Trinity Health Livonia, will retire in June, marking his 40th year in medicine. We have been blessed by his experience, his compassionate leadership, and his steady presence within our ministry. His contributions and distinguished career are highlighted on p. 10.

The changing seasons remind us that change, while inevitable, can also be hopeful. As our ministry continues to evolve, we remain deeply grateful for supporters like you. Your generosity has been a catalyst for meaningful transformation, and your partnership helps us navigate the ever-changing landscape of health care with confidence and compassion.

Thank you for walking alongside us.

Warmly,

Doug

Douglas W. Ferrick

Regional Vice President of Philanthropy
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Planting Seeds of Wellness: Trinity Health Oakland Receives \$4 Million Gift to Build Food Hub on Hospital Farm

At Trinity Health Oakland, the belief that food is medicine has long taken root, quite literally, in the soil of its 1.3 acre hospital farm. Now, thanks to a transformational \$4 million planned gift, that vision is poised to flourish in powerful new ways.

The gift comes from Ross Weinstein, MD, a retired emergency department physician, loyal donor and longtime champion of the hospital's innovative approach to nutrition and community health. His generosity will support ongoing farm operations and fuel the creation of a new Food Hub, a dedicated distribution and education center envisioned as the next phase in The Farm's evolution. Part of the bequest will also grow the Susan Weinstein Alberts Endowed Farming Fund, established by Dr. Weinstein in 2021 in memory of his sister.

For Dr. Weinstein, the gift is deeply personal.

"I am inspired by The Farm's work to feed those in our community who are food insecure," he said. "As a serious gardener, I like the forward-thinking idea of connecting nutrition to more traditional medicine, as well as community and resident education. I'm so impressed with how far The Farm has come in just five years, and I'm excited to make this planned gift to support the construction of a Food Hub, which is a key piece in fully realizing the vision of The Farm."

A Hub for Healing, Learning and Gathering

The new Food Hub will serve as a vibrant community space where fresh produce, education, and engagement meet. Plans call for expanded food distribution, cooking demonstrations, culinary classes, and community events designed to connect patients and neighbors with resources that nourish both body and mind.

The goal is simple yet transformative: make healthy food accessible and teach people how to prepare it in ways that support long-term wellness.

"At Trinity Health, we believe that food is medicine," said Fabian Fregoli, MD, Chief Medical Officer and President of Trinity Health Oakland. "Whether it's during a visit to the emergency department or a routine check-up, we're



Dr. Ross Weinstein, center, pictured with Trinity Health colleagues from The Farm and Philanthropy teams.

committed to meeting our patients where they are, connecting them not only with high-quality medical care, but also with access to nutritious food and education. These connections and physician-to-patient conversations can lead to small but meaningful lifestyle changes that dramatically improve a patient's quality and length of life."

The Oakland location is one of three hospital-based farms operated by Trinity Health Michigan, joining sister farms at Trinity Health Ann Arbor and Trinity Health Muskegon. Together, they form a cornerstone of the system's Food is Medicine initiative, which addresses nutrition insecurity and promotes health equity throughout Michigan.

Growing a Health Community, One Seed at a Time

Dr. Weinstein's gift is a visionary investment in the health of our community ensuring The Farm's sustainability as well as strengthening Trinity Health Oakland's ability to address nutrition insecurity, expand educational programs, and deepen the integration of food and medicine.

To learn more about The Farm at Trinity Health Oakland, contact Jill Schubiner, Gift Officer, at 248-417-9974.

A New Chapter Begins: *Trinity Health Livingston Hospital Now Open*



Trinity Health executives and leaders join together for a ceremonial ribbon cutting to commemorate the opening of the new hospital.

On April 19, 2026, the vision became reality as physicians and colleagues proudly began caring for patients in the new Trinity Health Livingston hospital. Thoughtfully designed to meet the needs of today — and tomorrow — the four-story, 174,000-square-foot hospital reflects a deep commitment to exceptional care, innovation and the Livingston County community.

Filled with natural light and welcoming spaces, the hospital features fifty-six acuity adaptable patient beds, allowing caregivers to treat patients at varying levels of care without the need to move them from room to room. This flexibility enhances patient comfort while improving safety, efficiency, and continuity of care. The new hospital also includes a peaceful chapel which welcomes people of all faiths to find spiritual solace, private prayer or quiet respite.

“From upgraded monitoring systems to smart room features, the new hospital integrates cutting edge technology throughout,” said John O’Malley, president of

Trinity Health Livingston. “Natural light, calming colors, and quiet spaces are intentionally built into the design to promote healing and reduce stress for patients, families and colleagues. This is not just a new building — it’s a leap forward in care, designed with flexibility and innovation in mind and ready to grow with our community.”

Expanded Emergency Care for a Growing Community

A significant improvement at the new Livingston hospital is an expanded Emergency Department. Laurie Dixon, MD, medical director of the Emergency Department, explains that the expansion improves the hospital’s ability to meet a wide range of patient needs.

“The larger space allows for two state-of-the-art trauma and resuscitation rooms, additional critical care rooms, and specialized accommodations for bariatric patients, patients requiring infectious isolation, and those experiencing mental health crises,” Dr. Dixon said.



"To me, having the opportunity to work for Trinity Health has been a blessing," said Kelsey Kirkland, RN, Med/Surg. "Being part of this community-changing hospital move is an honor. Knowing we now have the opportunity to improve how we care for patients — both now and for generations to come — is incredible. I was taught growing up that it's important to be part of something greater than yourself, and that's exactly what this new hospital means to me."



Kelsey Kirkland, RN,
Med/Surg.

One Family's Enduring Legacy

That sense of purpose and continuity is reflected powerfully in the story of the Raheja family, whose roots in caring for the Livingston county community care go back more than four decades.



The Raheja family honors Dr. Ramesh Raheja's life and legacy by naming a patient room in the Trinity Health Livingston Intensive Care Unit.

In 1983, Ramesh Raheja, MD, helped pioneer the Critical Care Unit in the Howell location. More than 40 years later, his son, Suraj Raheja, MD, serves patients within the same community.

"Establishing a legacy was never a goal for my dad," Dr. Raheja shared. "He simply woke up every day with an honest intention to help improve other people's lives and show his love for his family. That commitment shone through his character, his confidence built from decades of learning, and the way he made everyone feel like the most important person in the room. Unintentionally, that became, and remains, his legacy."

In memory of Dr. Ramesh Raheja and in celebration of his life's work, the family named a patient room in his honor at the new hospital.

"In honoring my father, we hope to reinforce the message that we should always place our highest value on time with each other, our relationships, and the people we love the most," Dr. Raheja said.

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From left: Fr. Gilbert Sunghera, S.J.; David Nantais, Mission Leader, Trinity Health Ann Arbor and Livingston, Chelsea Hospital; Fr. Tom Nguyen, Manager, Spiritual Care, Trinity Health Livingston & Ann Arbor; John O'Malley, President, Trinity Health Livingston; Shannon Striebich, President and CEO, Trinity Health Michigan; Michael Sanderl, Vice President, Mission Integration, Trinity Health, and Bishop Earl Boyea, Diocese of Lansing, at the blessing of the hospital chapel and celebration of Holy Mass.

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A Community-Powered Vision

The opening of Trinity Health Livingston is a testament to what is possible when a community comes together around a shared vision.

“When we first imagined what a new hospital could mean for Livingston County, it felt ambitious — yet necessary,” John reflected. “Every step of the way, this community showed us the vision was worth pursuing.”

He added, “We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to our Campaign Co-Chairs, Kelly Myers and Scott Griffith, and to the entire Forging Our Future Campaign Cabinet. Their leadership and passion brought people together and helped turn this vision into reality.”

As patients are welcomed through its doors, the new Trinity Health Livingston hospital stands as a powerful symbol of generosity, partnership, and hope — built by a community, for a community, and ready to serve for generations to come.

For more information about Trinity Health Livingston, please contact Lindsay Debolski, Gift Officer, at 248-755-3510.



Forging Our Future Campaign Cabinet celebrates the completion of a successful campaign at a gathering hosted by LakeTrust Credit Union. Pictured are: front row from left: Carol Griffith, Kelly Myers, cabinet co-chair; Pat Claffey, Kathleen Barden. Middle row from left: David Snodgrass, Barb Binkley, Tracy Gomez, Tim Corrigan. Top row from left: Scott Griffith, cabinet co-chair; Bill Rogers, Mike Perry.

New Hospital Lobby Honors The WellBridge Group



The WellBridge Leadership Team stand proudly in the Wellbridge Lobby of the new Trinity Health Livingston hospital.

Campaign Cabinet, lending not only his leadership but also his passion for building a new hospital that will offer hope, healing, and care close to home for generations to come.

“The Forging Our Future campaign represents an important investment in the health and well being of our community, and WellBridge is honored to be part of it,” Mike said. “Our support of the hospital reflects a shared commitment to helping patients heal, recover, and thrive.”

When the elevator opens on the third floor of the new Trinity Health Livingston hospital, visitors step into a light-filled, thoughtfully designed lobby that proudly bears the WellBridge name in recognition of their remarkable \$250,000 contribution to the Forging Our Future campaign.

WellBridge provides short-term, inpatient skilled nursing and rehabilitation services, including physical, occupational, and speech therapy, for patients recovering from surgery or illness. A Michigan-owned-and-operated organization with eight locations across Metro Detroit, WellBridge is headquartered in Brighton.

Their dedication didn't stop at a corporate contribution. WellBridge Chief Executive Officer, Mike Perry joined the Forging Our Future

Lake Trust Leads Corporate Support for New Trinity Health Livingston Hospital

Lake Trust Credit Union, headquartered in Brighton, made a transformative \$500,000 investment in the Forging Our Future Capital Campaign, positioning the credit union as the leading corporate supporter of the new Trinity Health Livingston hospital.

The gift reflects Lake Trust's longstanding commitment to improving the wellbeing of Michigan communities; an ethos that aligns closely with Trinity Health's Mission to serve as a compassionate and transforming healing presence.

The name of the new hospital cafeteria, the Lake Trust Café, celebrates this generous gift. Designed as a warm, light-filled gathering place overlooking a landscaped courtyard, the café will provide colleagues, patients, and visitors with a welcoming space for nourishment and community.

"Trinity Health Livingston is more than a health care facility — it's a vital part of what keeps our community strong," said David Snodgrass, President and CEO of Lake Trust Credit Union. "By investing in this expansion, we're ensuring our neighbors, families, and friends have access to lifesaving services close to home and the support they need to live healthier, more fulfilling lives."

For more than 80 years, Lake Trust has woven itself into the fabric of the communities it serves. With a broad Michigan presence, Lake Trust enjoys a longstanding reputation for helping members navigate the financial world and approaching its work with a purpose-driven mindset.

"We see ourselves as more than an economic development engine," David explained. "We strive to be a community development engine."



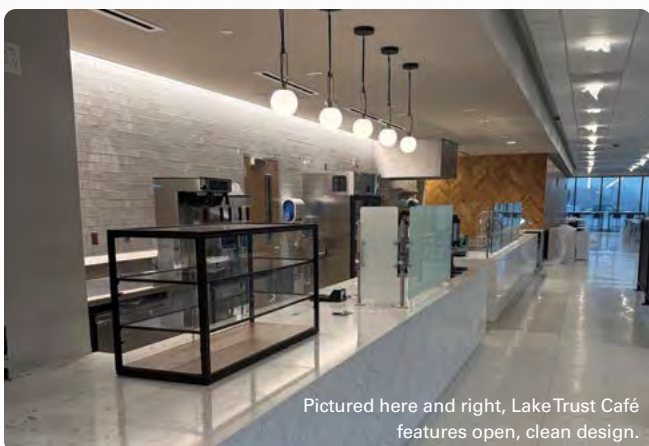
LakeTrust representatives Amanda Huszti-Vickers, AVP, Community Impact; Brandalynn Winchester-Middlebrook, EVP and Chief People & Purpose Officer and Brian Adams, AVP, Member Engagement, proudly pose with the new Lake Trust Café signage unveiled in April.

That philosophy made supporting Trinity Health Livingston a natural choice.

"Health care is key to a community's vibrancy," David said. "It was logical for us to support a community asset that benefits every one of us." He added that accessible, high-quality health care not only contributes to quality of life but also helps attract and retain a talented workforce which strengthens the region's economic future.

The café naming opportunity is a meaningful expression of Lake Trust's values. A focus on wellbeing shapes the design of the credit union's own spaces, where high-quality food providers, on-site gyms or fitness memberships, and areas designed for collaboration reinforce their view that financial wellbeing and physical wellbeing go hand in hand.

"The connection to nutritious food, a place for community, and a spot for rest and refreshment — these are central to who we are as a company," David said. "We're proud that the café will bear the Lake Trust name, and our hope is that it becomes a place of comfort and community for all who enter."



Pictured here and right, Lake Trust Café features open, clean design.



New Temporary Housing Facility on Trinity Health Ann Arbor Campus



In a bold step toward addressing the growing housing crisis in Washtenaw County, Trinity Health Ann Arbor, supported by Washtenaw County and community partners, opened a new temporary housing facility in late 2025. The project was launched with a \$1 million Legislative Enhancement Grant secured by Senator Jeff Irwin in the State of Michigan's FY25 budget.

The facility will be operated by the Interfaith Hospitality Network at Alpha House, a trusted nonprofit with more than 30 years of experience supporting families experiencing homelessness. The new resource marks an important milestone in the region's efforts to expand shelter capacity and strengthen services for families in crisis.

A Mission-Driven Response to a Growing Need

The grant is designated to support emergency housing operations, expand physical capacity, and deliver direct services that promote the health, safety, and stability of Michigan residents. For Trinity Health Ann Arbor, the project reflects a deeply held commitment to serving those most vulnerable.

"Our health system is built on a foundation of core values, which includes our strong support and service to those experiencing poverty," said Alonzo Lewis, President of Trinity Health Ann Arbor, Livingston, Oakland, and Livonia. "By converting available space on our campus, we aim to help break the cycle of poverty and make a significant impact on the broader Washtenaw County community."

Across the United States, housing instability continues to rise — but in Washtenaw County, the crisis is especially acute. More than 100 parents and children are currently on the family shelter waiting list, and 8 to 10 families lose housing each week. For these families, safe and stable temporary housing can be a lifeline.

Trinity Health Ann Arbor identified housing insecurity as a core community need through its 2024 Community Health Needs Assessment, making this project both timely and Mission aligned.

To learn how you can support this project, please contact the Trinity Health Southeast Michigan Office of Philanthropy at 734-712-4040.



Above left and directly above: Practical design and warm, welcoming decor are features of the the temporary housing now located on the Trinity Health Ann Arbor campus.

Beyond the Will:

Simple Ways to Leave a Meaningful Legacy

When people think about leaving a legacy, they often imagine complicated legal documents, meetings with attorneys, and decisions best left for “someday.” The truth is, creating a meaningful legacy – one that reflects your faith, values, and care for others – can be far simpler than you might expect.



In fact, there are several powerful ways to support Trinity Health’s healing Mission that don’t require a lawyer at all. Many can be arranged with a quick phone call or an online form, using assets you already have in place.

Easy Gifts Using Beneficiary Designations

Many of your financial assets allow you to name beneficiaries. In addition to loved ones, you may choose to name a charitable organization—such as our Catholic health system – as a beneficiary of all or part of an asset. Common examples include:

- Retirement accounts (IRAs, 401(k)s, 403(b)s)
- Bank and investment accounts
- Life insurance policies
- Commercial annuities
- Donor advised funds

These gifts are especially impactful. Retirement assets, for example, can be received by a nonprofit tax free — often making them one of the most effective ways to give. Best of all, you can change beneficiary designations at any time if your circumstances evolve.

Giving from Your IRA – With Tax Benefits

If you are age 70½ or older, you can make a **Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)** directly from your IRA. This allows you to give to charity while keeping the distribution out of your taxable income. Better yet, if you are required to take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), a QCD can count toward that obligation.

Many donors appreciate how straightforward this option is – and how it can support the health ministry while also being tax wise.

Gifts of Appreciated Investments

Another simple way to make a difference today is by donating appreciated securities, such as stocks or mutual funds. When you give directly from an investment account, you avoid capital gains tax and may receive a charitable deduction—while making a meaningful gift that supports compassionate care for patients and families.

Every gift, no matter how it is structured, is an expression of hope and care for future generations. If you’ve included, or are considering including, our health system in your plans, we would be honored to know so we can ensure your intentions are carried out as you wish.

If you have questions or would like to explore these or additional options, please contact George Westerman, Senior Philanthropy Director, Gift Planning, at 248-310-5854 or George.Westerman@trinity-health.org.

Hospital President Matthew Griffin, MD, to Retire



Matthew Griffin, MD, Chief Medical Officer and President of Trinity Health Livonia (left) will retire on July 4, 2026 – capping a remarkable career defined by service to others, clinical excellence, and a deep commitment to the healing ministry that has guided his life’s work.

Dr. Griffin joined Trinity Health Livonia in 2018 as Chief Medical

Officer, bringing his steady leadership to medical staff services, graduate medical education, patient safety, clinical quality, accreditation and care management. In 2023, he expanded his responsibilities as the Interim Hospital Administrator, overseeing day-to-day hospital operations in Livonia with a thoughtful, Mission-centered approach. In July 2024, he was formally appointed Chief Medical Officer and President of Trinity Health Livonia. While there are many high points from his tenure, he says, “There truly was no moment in time more impactful than the COVID-19 pandemic,” he said. “It was both the most challenging and rewarding chapter of my career.”

Under his leadership at Trinity Health Livonia, he provided strategic oversight for the expansion of the cancer and

cardiac programs and was key in strengthening medical staff relationships. He also laid the groundwork for a hospital-based farm, now in the planning stages.

“A community hospital is such a key resource to ensuring a healthy, vibrant community,” he said. “At Trinity Health Livonia, we have set the bar high with excellent, compassionate physicians and colleagues providing the services our community needs most.”

His retirement coincides with his 40th year practicing medicine, which includes leadership roles at Detroit Medical Center, service in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps, and decades of work as an Emergency Medicine physician.

Looking ahead, Dr. Griffin plans to devote more time to his family. He and his wife, Inger, are proud parents of four children. Together, they also manage the Emily Ann Griffin Foundation, established in honor of their late daughter Emily, which provides resources and life-enhancing experiences for children with special needs.

Although he says he looks forward to retirement and “doing nothing for a while,” Dr. Griffin remains open to one day returning to part-time work in medical education, clinical practice, or supporting patients and families in their end-of-life planning, an area of particular interest where he believes he can make a meaningful contribution.

Please join us in thanking Dr. Griffin for his extraordinary service and supporting him through his final months with the organization.

Philanthropy Regional Vice President Re-appointed to the Michigan Community Service Commission



Doug Ferrick, Regional Vice President of Philanthropy for Trinity Health-Southeast Michigan, (left) was recently reappointed by Governor Gretchen Whitmer to serve on the Michigan Community Service Commission. Doug will serve on the commission as a representative of business for a three-year term expiring October 1, 2028.

The Michigan Community Service Commission strives to build a culture of service by providing vision and resources to strengthen communities through volunteerism. The Commission develops a three-year comprehensive community service plan for the state, oversees and submits the state's applications to public and private funding sources, establishes policies and procedures for the use of federal funds, and develops initiatives to promote community service in coordination with existing programs.

Congratulations, Doug!



Rev. Larry L. Lyons, (at right at podium) Manager of Spiritual Care Service, Chelsea Hospital, Trinity Health Southeast Michigan Hospice and Outpatient Cancer Centers, offers a blessing for the new chapel. Standing near are, from left: Elisabeth Seymour, Staff Chaplain, Chelsea Hospital; Rev. Kathy Schell, Staff Chaplain, Chelsea Hospital and Rev. Vic Dippenaar, Vice President Spiritual Care, Trinity Health.

Auxiliary and Donor Contributions Help Revitalize Chelsea Hospital's Chapel

Thanks to the generous support of the Chelsea Hospital Auxiliary and a gift from the estate of Lois Covell, the Chelsea Hospital Chapel was recently refurbished. The refreshed space honors the Trinity Health's Catholic identity while including architectural and design elements that welcome people of all faith traditions. New, movable furniture allows the space to be configured for different types of worship, meditation, or family meetings with the Pastoral Care team. The chapel also features two illuminations from the St. John's Bible – this artwork is a blend of religious imagery from various traditions, cultures and creeds as well as contemporary visuals. The modernized chapel offers a quiet haven for reflection, respite and prayer. It also acknowledges that spirituality is an important part of the healing process for many people.



Honor a Loved One on a Memorial Wind Chime

Celebrate the life and legacy of someone special to you through the Trinity Health Memorial Wind Chime Program — a lasting and meaningful way to remember a loved one who touched your life or the Trinity Health community.

Gracefully standing five feet tall, our beautiful, recently refreshed wind chimes (left) can be found at Trinity Health hospitals in Ann Arbor, Chelsea, Livonia, and Livingston, as well as at Trinity Health Oakland later this year. With a single tribute gift or cumulative tributes of \$1,000 or more, your honoree's name will be permanently engraved on a stainless-steel recognition plate at the base of the chime, creating an enduring remembrance.

Let the gentle sound of chimes serve as a heartfelt tribute to those who made a difference.

*For more information or to make a gift, please contact:
 Kyle Dornan, Annual Giving Manager,
philanthropysemi@trinity-health.org*

Chelsea Hospital Gifted Grand Piano for Main Lobby



Pictured: Andy Sacks, seated at piano, with Carl Schwarze.

Chelsea Hospital recently added a grand piano to its main lobby thanks to Immanuel Bible Church of Chelsea. The church has deep roots and a long history in the community. When recent changes were made to its worship services, hospital volunteer Rick Wallace recognized an opportunity for the church's piano to continue serving the community. Believing the donation aligned with the church's commitment to service, Rick helped connect the effort, and fellow congregant – and Chelsea resident – Carl Schwarze facilitated the donation and delivery. After 40 years of accompanying joyful worship music, the piano has now found a new home at Chelsea Hospital, where it will continue to uplift others.

Renowned photographer, documentarian, and local pianist Andy Sacks contracted Paul Zieger of The Piano Medic in Jackson to tune the Knabe piano and bring it back to life.

"I have been playing piano for 70 years, and the first and only piano we had in my suburban Detroit home, was a small Knabe spinet," said Andy, a Chelsea resident. "This Knabe grand has a light responsive action, and a bright midrange register. The sound fills the lobby nicely, even when played softly."

"The inclusion of a live musician playing a traditional piano made of wood and steel is a nice addition to any hospital." Andy explained, "Some people come to the hospital to receive good news, others not so good. Maybe my playing helps them through or lightens their load a little bit. Music can do that."

"Philanthropy is about far more than giving money – it's about forming meaningful partnerships and sharing time, talents, and compassion," said Jennifer Maisch, Director of Philanthropy at Chelsea Hospital. "The vision of Mr. Wallace and Mr. Schwarze in donating the piano, Mr. Sacks' generosity in having it refurbished, and the volunteer musicians who share their gifts all help bring the healing power of music to Chelsea Hospital. Together, this collaborative effort creates moments of comfort, joy, and connection for our patients, families, and colleagues."

Musicians from the hospital staff, and other experienced pianists from the visiting public are welcome to make use of the instrument in the main lobby.

To inquire about playing piano in the hospital lobby or for information about philanthropic giving, contact Jennifer Maisch, Director of Philanthropy, Chelsea Hospital, at Jennifer.maisch@trinity-health.org or 734-649-7481.

Bringing a Community Treasure Back to Life: *The Health Exploration Station Returns*

For two decades, the Health Exploration Station at Trinity Health Medical Center-Canton was a place where curiosity thrived. And where thousands of young visitors discovered the wonders of the human body and left inspired with greater understanding about their own health. Reopening such a beloved space is no small undertaking, but Trinity Health Ann Arbor's Director of Community Health & Well-Being, Shekinah Singletery, knew exactly the right partners to bring on board.

Beginning in 2024, Trinity Health joined forces with the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum and Leslie Science & Nature Center (AAHOM LSNC) to chart a path forward. Together, they embarked on a year-long effort to rehabilitate and reimagine this space for the community. They invested in the forty interactive, larger-than-life exhibits, restoring them for a new generation of learners. They also updated the curriculum by connecting the latest research from health professionals and community feedback to design for the needs of schools today. This fall, the Health Exploration Station will reopen its doors to Southeastern Michigan schoolchildren, ready to inspire once more.

The station offers an immersive journey through the human body, bringing anatomy, nutrition, physical activity, mental health, and the impacts of environment and substances to life through hands-on exploration. It is education that engages not just the mind, but the whole child.

"As a children's focused science Museum and Nature Center, we are uniquely positioned to bring health and human sciences to life. A child standing inside a larger-than-life exhibit about the human body isn't just learning science, they're seeing themselves differently," said Susan Westhoff, President & CEO of AAHOM-LSNC. "We see great potential not just in school programming, but in future possibilities for families to learn and play together."

Launching in Fall 2026, the Health Exploration Station will offer field trip programs initially for students from preschool through sixth grade. Designed to align with both community health priorities and state Next Generation Science Standards, these programs give students hands-on tools to better understand themselves, their world, and the health careers they might one day pursue.

To learn more or support this initiative, visit discoverscienceandnature.org/exploration, or contact Kathy Joyce, Director, Grants and Foundation Relations at 202-210-9608 (mkathleen.joyce@trinity-health.org).



Above and below: The Health Exploration Station's interactive exhibits help kids of all ages learn about health and the human body.



United in Generosity:

Volunteer Services Joins Philanthropy in Southeast Michigan

Across Trinity Health-Southeast Michigan, a new chapter is unfolding bringing together two powerful expressions of generosity under one shared purpose. Volunteer Services has officially transitioned into the Office of Philanthropy, a move that strengthens the connection between the hundreds of individuals who give their time and those who give their resources to advance the Mission. This integration is more than an organizational shift — it's an intentional alignment of hearts, hands, and hope.

“Volunteers and donors are two sides of the same coin,” said Doug Ferrick, Regional Vice President, Office of Philanthropy, Trinity Health-Southeast Michigan. “Each gives of themselves because they believe in our healing ministry. By coordinating these efforts, we are strengthening volunteer loyalty, aligning the ways people give back, and amplifying our community impact.”

A Tradition of Service

Every Trinity Health hospital in Southeast Michigan operates a robust volunteer services program offering opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds. These roles are as varied as they are meaningful — from supporting clinical departments to assisting families in waiting rooms to offering administrative help behind the scenes.

Before stepping into service, volunteers complete pre-orientation, health screening, and background checks, along with training specific to their chosen role.

“Every role includes specific role training and orientation ensuring the volunteer is prepared to serve and fulfill our Mission and to enhance the patient’s experience through comfort, security, and support measures,” said Lisa Austin, Manager of Volunteer Services at Trinity Health Ann Arbor, Brighton, Canton, Livingston, and Chelsea Hospital.

The spirit of service spans generations. Volunteers range from teens exploring health care careers to adults in their eighties who want to stay active and connected while making a difference.

Healing Roles with Heart

Among the most profound volunteer contributions are those that touch patients directly.



“My relationship with Trinity Health began in 2003 as a patient,” said Wendy Gordon, Trinity Health Oakland Volunteer, pictured above at The Farm at Trinity Health Oakland. “There would be more unexpected health events but with much determination and rehab, I have overcome my physical challenges and now I am joyfully experiencing the BEST part of my relationship with Trinity Health, VOLUNTEERING! I volunteer at The Farm and am a greeter at the Woodward Medical Building greeting patients. I love enjoying my best years with Trinity Health as a volunteer.”

Spiritual Care ministers, for example, visit newly admitted patients, confirm spiritual preferences, and serve as a compassionate bridge to hospital chaplains.

Another cherished role is that of the Cuddlers — volunteers who hold and comfort premature infants in our Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), offering warmth, stability, and a human touch that supports healthy development.

“These are areas where volunteers truly extend our

Mission in very human and real ways,” said Barbara Stephen, Volunteer Coordinator at Trinity Health Oakland and Livonia. Volunteers also accompany patients at life’s end through the No One Dies Alone program, providing a quiet presence, prayer, music, or simple companionship.

“This program creates a sacred space of comfort in those difficult last days,” said Barb. “It is an example of how we can be a transforming, healing presence.”

A Unified Culture of Generosity

Bringing Volunteer Services under Philanthropy strengthens the shared values that unite every act of giving — large or small, financial or personal, public or private.

“Volunteers are deeply connected to our Mission, and together we will build a unified culture of generosity,” Doug said. “They are natural ambassadors. Sharing their stories alongside donor impact will deepen our ministry’s reach.”

He added, “Together, we are cultivating a full spectrum of engagement — time, advocacy, and financial support — and strengthening Trinity Health’s presence as a Mission-driven, community-anchored organization.”



Above: Chelsea Hospital Volunteers, Martha Luick and Jane Newbound, manning the gift shop.

Pictured top right: Volunteer Hal Learman cuddles an infant in the Trinity Health Oakland NICU.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE AREAS

Specific volunteer opportunities may not be offered at all Trinity Health hospital locations. Contact the Volunteer Services Office at the hospital of your choice to learn more or visit: trinityhealthmichigan.org/foundation-and-giving/volunteer.

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| Admitting and Registration | No One Dies Alone |
| Ambulatory Surgery Center | Comfort Care Program |
| Bedside DJ | Nursing Unit Clerical or Patient Comfort Support |
| Cardiac Cath Lab | Patient Family Advisory |
| College Program | Council Member |
| Cuddler Program | Pal Program |
| (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit) | Pet Therapy |
| Emergency Department | Pharmacy |
| Endoscopy | Pre and Post - Operative Area (Recovery) |
| Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion | Rapid Decision Unit Volunteer |
| Friendly Caller | Spiritual Care Minister of Care |
| Greeters | Surgical Lounge Volunteer |
| Healing Arts | Teen Program |
| Hospitality Cart | Veggie Cart Ambassador |
| Information Desk | Volunteer Office Support |
| Musician | Welcome Ambassador |



Picture above and below: Employees from United Wholesale Mortgage, a Trinity Health Oakland corporate partner for four years, based in Pontiac, MI, give back by volunteering at The Farm.

Together For Good: Reimagining Corporate Partnership for Community Impact

Trinity Health is proud to reintroduce our refreshed corporate partner program, Together For Good – A Corporate Community, a new vision for how mission-minded businesses can make a lasting impact on the health of Southeast Michigan.

A New Approach to Corporate Partnership

Following a shift away from major fundraising events, Together For Good offers companies a meaningful way to engage that aligns shared values, supports community priorities, and fosters year-round collaboration.

“Instead of connecting around a single event, partners now work with Trinity Health to identify areas of mutual interest and focus their support where it matters most: improving health, advancing equity, and strengthening the well being of families across our region,” said Doug Ferrick, Regional Vice President, Office Philanthropy – Southeast Michigan.

Through Together For Good, corporate partners help fuel:

- Medical excellence, including advanced technology and innovative care models
- A remarkable patient experience, supporting comfort, dignity and compassion
- Community health and prevention, extending well beyond hospital walls

These investments touch countless lives — supporting patients in our hospitals while also improving access to care, nutrition, education and wellness throughout the communities we serve.

“Together For Good is more than a program,” said Craig Peiser, Director of Major Gifts & Corporate Philanthropy, Trinity Health-Southeast Michigan. “It is a growing movement of corporate citizens who believe that health is a shared responsibility and that strong communities are built when organizations stand side by side in service of others.”

As this newly reintroduced initiative takes root, we invite business leaders to imagine what is possible when we work together with compassion, creativity, and courage.

“Because when we join forces and come together for good, we don’t just support health care. We help shape the future of it,” Craig said.

For more information about how your company can partner in our healing Mission, contact Craig Peiser, Director of Major Gifts & Corporate Philanthropy at Trinity Health Southeast Michigan, at 248-736-5815 or Craig.Peiser@trinity-health.org.



SAY Detroit Family Health Clinic

Opens New Facility for Community-Centered Care

The SAY Detroit Family Health Clinic, staffed by Trinity Health-Southeast Michigan, has opened the doors to its new care facility at 1355 Oakman Blvd. in Detroit, marking an important milestone in its mission to deliver high-quality, compassionate care to families in Detroit, Highland Park, and Hamtramck. The clinic continues its longstanding commitment to serving uninsured and underinsured patients at no cost to those who qualify.

More Space, More Services, More Opportunity to Heal

Now with expanded clinic capacity – double the number of treatment rooms, plus three dedicated dental treatment rooms and convenient parking, clinic leaders project that patient volume could grow by up to 50%, significantly broadening access to a comprehensive range of medical services including both primary and specialty care.

Additional offerings include an onsite pharmacy, a behavioral medicine clinic, and two expanding outreach programs: First Year, which supports pregnant and new moms, and Wellness Wednesdays, a monthly support group for senior women.

Strengthening Care Across the City

As Trinity Health expands its footprint in Detroit, partnerships like the one with SAY Detroit, play a central role. Founded in 2006 by author and philanthropist Mitch Albom, SAY Detroit has grown into a far-reaching network of programs that support families through housing, youth development, and vital social services. The clinic first opened in 2008. Trinity Health joined forces with SAY Detroit in 2019, and provides both financial support and deep clinical expertise, managing day-to-day operations.

Trinity Health Detroit also includes Trinity Health Primary Care - Detroit health clinic and various outreach programs that improve access to care across the city, and in 2024 alone recorded:

- 22,840 patient visits
- 17,868 prescriptions filled
- 1,722 behavioral health visits
- 781 Detroit Public School students served

“As a not-for-profit Catholic health care system, we are guided by core values of Reverence and a Commitment to Those Experiencing Poverty,” said Tawana Nettles-Robinson,



A ribbon cutting celebration for the new clinic space was held in September 2025. Pictured from left are: Mitch Albom, Shannon Striebich, President and CEO, Trinity Health Michigan; Tawana Nettles-Robinson; Dr. Chad Audi, President, Detroit Rescue Mission; Paul Hughes-Cromwick, Board Chair, Trinity Health Detroit Ministry, and Melia Howard, Deputy Mayor City of Detroit.

executive director of Trinity Health Detroit and manager of SAY Detroit. “As one of Michigan’s most trusted health care leaders, Trinity Health sees it as a moral obligation to bring resources and health care expertise to those in need of care.”

Continuing a Legacy of Healing

The opening of the new SAY Detroit Family Health Clinic represents more than a move — it is an investment in the long-term health, dignity, and stability of Detroit-area families. With expanded services, modern space, and the strength of a mission-driven partnership, the clinic is poised to serve more patients and improve access to care for years to come.

To support Trinity Health Detroit, visit www.trinityhealthdetroit.org/donate-now.

Community Engagement



Abram, a bright and brave nine-year-old from Waterford, came to our Trinity Health Oakland/C.S. Mott Children's Hospital oncology clinic seeking a second opinion for a rare bone cancer. Throughout his eight-month chemotherapy journey, Abram (pictured) found comfort and distraction in a gaming entertainment system, which was provided thanks to support from dedicated donors, Jeff and Nancy Peck, Orchard Lake and Dr. and Mrs. Michael Garcia, Bloomfield Hills.



Trinity Health Livingston received the largest Pink Week donation in the event's history. Pink Week, a communitywide fundraising initiative held annually and led by the Brighton High School Leadership Class (pictured), brings together students, families, local businesses, and community members to support cancer patients receiving care at Trinity Health Livingston's Warren R. and Lauraine A. Hoensheid Cancer Center. This year's event raised an impressive \$103,031.11. One hundred percent of proceeds directly benefit cancer care and supportive cancer care services.



Trinity Health Oakland (THOA) recently received a \$10,000 gift from Bowman Chevrolet which will help support our free comprehensive vehicle safety program. This program provides car seats, booster seats, and educational resources for parents, young drivers, and seniors. Pictured from left are Andie Young, DMSc, PA-C, Trauma Program Manager, THOA; Katie Bowman, President, Bowman Auto Group; Anita Barksdale, RN, Injury Prevention Coordinator, THOA and Jill Schubiner, Gift Officer, Philanthropy.



Trinity Health Livonia recently received a \$15,000 gift from DeMaria Building Company, the most recent gift of support as one of the beneficiaries of the company's annual Charity Golf Outing for the fourth consecutive year. This year's gift is designated for behavioral health as has been the tradition with other past gifts. Pictured from left are: Mike Joseph, Principal, Executive Vice President, DeMaria Building Co.; Jocelyn Turner, Director of Individual Giving, Trinity Health Southeast Michigan; Patrick Milostan, RN, Nursing Director, Behavioral Health, Trinity Health Livonia; Joseph A. DeMaria, Jr., CEO, DeMaria Building Co.; Matt Griffin, MD, CMO and President, Trinity Health Livonia and Nick Nickolopoulos, RN, CNO and Vice President, Patient Care Trinity Health Livonia.



A group of retired nurses from Trinity Health Livingston's legacy hospital in Howell were excited to tour the new Trinity Health Livingston Brighton hospital together. They are joined here by Trinity Health Livingston hospital president, John O'Malley, center.



The Calling is a documentary that highlights the lives, contributions, and continuing work of religious sisters including our founders, the Sisters of Mercy and Felician Sisters. Linda Werthman RSM, PhD, board member, Trinity Health Michigan Board and Trinity Health Detroit Board, was featured in the film. Sister Linda is pictured here at the premiere with Doug Ferrick, Regional Vice President, Office of Philanthropy, Trinity Health – Southeast Michigan (left) and Rob Casalou, President & CEO of Trinity Health Michigan & Southeast Regions (right).

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