

Yampa Valley Medical Center Foundation

2018 Impact Report



You are the difference.

Whether you jumped into freezing cold water at the Penguin Plunge, enjoyed a mint julip while watching the greatest two minutes in sports at our inaugural Steamboat Derby Day, or chose to honor Dr. Allen Cohn and Ken Rogers at the Doc Willett awards, you helped us raise over \$80,000 from our events.

In addition, we received over \$650,000 in private donations throughout the year that provided resources to support enhancements to patient care, education, and a way to help patients and families express gratitude. Every gift to the foundation, large and small, helps our hospital continue to provide the best quality health care in northwest Colorado.

That is why the Yampa Valley Medical Center Foundation is grateful and privileged to play a part in connecting those with the zeal to give with meaningful ways to do so. Many critically important services offered to patients and families in the Yampa Valley would not exist without your philanthropy.

With sincere gratitude,



Karen Schneider
Executive Director
Yampa Valley Medical Center Foundation

100 percent of every donated dollar goes to the foundation's philanthropic funds, with no overhead costs or administrative fees.

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Congratulations
to the foundation's
own Lisa Joens for
five years of service
to the foundation.

YOUR GIFTS AT WORK

Gloria Gossard Breast Care Center

\$50,000 Specimen Imager This machine allowed 59 patients in 2018 to have immediate verification of a biopsy sample, saving time and minimizing patient stress. It also allows images to be sent to multiple destinations, if desired, for additional review by another specialist or doctor that patients would like to be part of their plan of care.

\$180,000 Automated Breast Ultrasound (ABUS)

Implemented in July, this machine uses ultrasound technology to produce three-dimensional data of the entire breast to help detect breast cancer early. This tool was particularly useful this year, by helping 87 women with dense breast tissue get a better picture of what was going on.



For more details: steamboatpilot.com/news/new-technology-improves-early-breast-cancer-detection.

\$52,000 Localizer

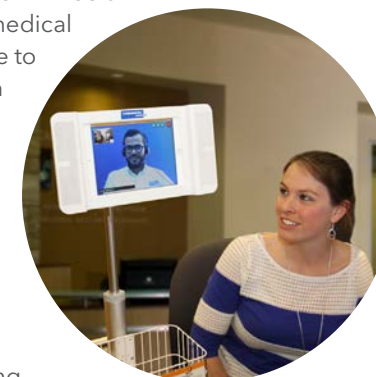
The Savi Scout device uses a miniature radiofrequency "tag" to help guide surgeons to the area of the breast being removed in a breast lumpectomy. This ensures better accuracy, thereby reducing the amount of breast tissue that needs to be removed. These tags are wireless and can be put in up to 30 days prior to surgery, helping to make the day of surgery a little bit easier for nine women who gained better flexibility when syncing their schedules with their surgeons and their radiologists.

THE GOAL

The mission of the foundation is to support UCHealth Yampa Valley Medical Center in the delivery and advancement of world-class health care in the Yampa Valley. The foundation realizes its mission through the development and stewardship of philanthropic resources in support of the hospital's mission and strategic goal.

UCHealth Yampa Valley Medical Center

\$5,000 Interpreter on Wheels Being in a medical situation and not being able to understand the information being conveyed to you can be frightening. That is why we were happy to be granted funds from The Colorado Trust to purchase three mobile iPad interpreters. These Interpreters on Wheels have 35 languages, including American Sign Language, to assist with translation services for the 13 languages spoken by our more than 2,292 medical center patients. In the first month alone, the heart and vascular clinic, radiology, emergency department (ED), patient care unit, admissions, and day surgery units used them for 81 video calls and 37 audio calls in Spanish, Vietnamese and French.



For more details: steamboatpilot.com/news/yampa-valley-medical-center-uses-grant-funds-to-purchase-new-wheels

blog.languageline.com/case-study-rural-colorado-medical-center-uses-grant-funds-to-purchase-interpreter-on-wheels

\$735,000 MRI Software Upgrade The MRI upgrade was completed this fall bringing improved image quality, shorter scan times, and a complete room renovation to make it a more relaxing environment. In addition, new software was installed to supplement patient movement and better support implants such as joint replacements, pins and screws.

\$5,600 Tuition Reimbursement/Assistance Tuition reimbursement and assistance was awarded to several of our high-caliber workforce to enhance and develop their skills.

Neonatal

\$6,500 Bili Lights/Warmer This technology provides adjustable phototherapy to infants with medium to severe jaundice to help them receive the appropriate amount of light, specific to their needs.



Emergency Department

\$150,000 ED Safe Rooms The ED now has two safe rooms for patients experiencing mental and/or behavioral health issues to receive care. These rooms provide a safe environment, not only for the patients, but also for our providers and staff.

As these rooms show, behavioral health is an important topic. Since completion a year ago, they have been used 280 days and typically for 10-20 hours at a time.

\$10,000 Hospitality Center—ED To bring an improved patient experience to our ED, the foundation commissioned a hospitality center in the ED where people waiting can grab a cup of coffee, water or snack when they end up in the ED unexpectedly.

Jan Bishop Cancer Center

\$2,800 James Bailey Children's Library

An activity cart stocked with toys, games, coloring activities and conversation starters in honor of James Bailey was created to roll between infusion bays and patient rooms for children receiving treatment themselves or accompanying someone that is.



To see the full story, go to uchealth.org/today/2018/08/27/activity-cart-encourages-play-conversation.

\$36,000 Alaris PC by CareFusion

The Alaris PC is a customizable infusion delivery system. It allows providers to wirelessly upload the latest drug and IV parameters, ensuring that nurses and other caregivers have the most up-to-date information during treatment.



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