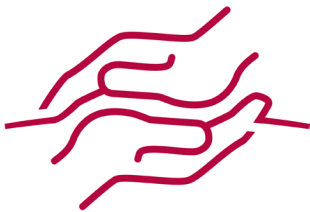


2025 Impact Report

You are the difference.

The kindness and generosity of donors, grantors and community partners make a meaningful difference in the lives of our patients and community every day. UHealth Yampa Valley Medical Center (YVMC) is dedicated to improving lives and with your support, Yampa Valley Medical Center Foundation (YVMCF) helps turn that commitment into lasting impact for the patients and families we serve. Whether supporting community health initiatives, providing assistance to patients in need or investing in continuing education for our employees, every contribution helps strengthen care and build a healthier community.

\$36,700



Patient Support

\$194,409



Community Health

\$20,242



Cancer Services

\$299,929



Facilities

\$17,988



Nursing Education

\$119,000



Community AEDs

Patient support - \$36,701.80

The Lufkin family established a grant through the Yampa Valley Community Foundation (YVCF) to help patients struggling to afford necessities due to medical care costs. YVMC's case managers work diligently to connect patients with existing financial assistance programs, but when those resources are exhausted, YVMCF steps in to offer additional help. Over \$10,900 dollars was used to provide several patients with financial relief for housing, utilities, transportation, medications, home medical supplies and other critical needs. This support ensures patients can focus on healing while maintaining access to essential resources.

A second grant administered through YVCF is the 4 Yellow Fund, which provides financial assistance to individuals undergoing cancer treatment who are experiencing hardship related to their diagnosis. A total of \$13,832.30 was distributed to support patients as they navigated their diagnosis and care. Recently, the fund covered the cost of replacement tires for a patient, helping remove transportation barriers and ensuring they could travel safely. In addition to the 4 Yellow Fund, \$11,938.25 was distributed to further support cancer patients navigating the financial challenges of treatment.

Forensic nurse exams at Better World Child Advocacy Center - \$3,491.73

This fund was utilized to cover the costs of medical forensic exams and lab work for children affected by sexual assault or physical abuse. YVMC partners with Brighter World Child Advocacy Center (CAC) to provide specially trained staff to perform medical forensic exams in a child-centered environment. In some circumstances, insurance or other funding sources do not cover these services, leaving families responsible for the remaining costs. By providing financial support, this unexpected burden is removed, reducing stress and anxiety for children and their families during an already challenging and emotionally difficult time.

Employee well-being and resiliency - \$1,127.73

Our employees are what make us great. To express our gratitude for their hard work and dedication, we provided staff with free yoga classes during Health Care Week.

Patient and family support - \$6,050.87

One donor's generosity made it possible for pediatric patients to receive comfort bears during their hospital visits. These simple companions bring reassurance during moments that can feel scary. The overwhelmingly positive response has led to the program's expansion throughout the hospital. While the bears may be small, the comfort they provide makes a big difference for our youngest patients.

Emergency department renovations - \$125,000

YVMCF re-granted \$125,000 back to the YVMC for pledges donated to the emergency department renovation. Completed in 2021, this project increased patient privacy, added two designated trauma rooms and created a specific room for medical forensic exams. Additionally, the new design improved the layout of the department to better facilitate the arrival and treatment of patients.

Cancer services - \$20,242.93

Over \$20,000 was invested in support of patients with cancer diagnoses through essential services, education and programs. For example, these funds provided Dignitana cold caps, which help patients retain their hair during chemotherapy, and supported United Against Cancer, an annual event that brings individuals together while offering education and engagement with the UCHealth Jan Bishop Cancer Center team. In addition, these funds provided resources such as books to help patients and families navigate important conversations about care and personal wishes during their cancer journey. This fund also helped ensure services provided by a dedicated oncology social worker were able to continue, such as critical guidance, emotional support and resource navigation.

Nursing education - \$17,988.96

This funding enabled team members to participate in advanced training opportunities like Pediatric Assessment, Recognition and Stabilization (PEARS), a neonatal education program focused on post-resuscitation/pre-transport stabilization care; training with a vascular access team; and forensic nurse examiner skill labs.



UCHealth GrandKids Child Care Center - \$11,049

Since 1981, GrandKids has been a cornerstone of safe, engaging and affordable childcare for employees of YVMC. Donor support helped fund a new outdoor playground, creating a more enriching and active environment that supports children's physical development, creativity and daily play.

UCHealth Jan Bishop Cancer Center - \$174,929.92

YVMCF re-granted \$174,929.92 back to the YVMC for pledges donated to the UCHealth Jan Bishop Cancer Center (JBCC). JBCC opened in 2017, and in the nine years since, it has touched the lives of thousands of patients and families. By expanding access to high-quality cancer care in northwest Colorado, the Center has minimized the need for long-distance travel, easing both the financial burden and time commitment for those undergoing treatment.

Community Health Benefit Fund - \$313,409.94

In its sixth year, the Community Health Benefit Fund (CHBF) supported the impact initiatives of bicycle safety and education, community-wide suicide prevention training and education, and the distribution of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) throughout the community. Funds also supported access to behavioral health services and LiftUp Routt County's Rocket Pack program.



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Mike and Dominique Welch, two of the co-owners of Backdoor Sports, installed their AED cabinet in an easy-to-access location within their outdoor business.

The CHBF, as well as the family and estate of Surin Techarukpong, brought the Healthy Hearts and Minds program to schools in north and south Routt County. This school-based education program combines engaging, age-appropriate lessons with an optional cholesterol screening to empower fourth, fifth, seventh and ninth-grade students to learn about heart health in a meaningful way. Since its inception in 2020, CHBF has invested more than \$1.8 million in Routt and Moffat counties.

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