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Dear Friends of Mercy,

I'm excited to introduce myself as the new executive director of Mercy Health Foundation Ada. As a lifelong Ada resident, I have a passion for making a positive impact in the Ada and Tishomingo communities. It's an honor to serve at Mercy, where our shared mission is to bring to life the healing ministry of Jesus through compassionate care and exceptional service.

As I reflect on the past year, "gratitude" is the word that comes to mind when acknowledging the generosity of our donors. When Catherine McAuley opened the first House of Mercy in Dublin, Ireland, nearly 200 years ago, community support was needed to help Catherine's vision come to life. Today, our donors help Mercy continue the charitable ministry of Catherine and the Sisters of Mercy who came before us.

Because of your unwavering support, the Foundation is embarking on a transformative journey to enhance cancer care in our region. We're raising funds to build a \$37 million, 40,000-square-foot, community cancer center in Ada. This facility will help meet the needs of local patients, and extend access to surrounding communities, ensuring that individuals facing cancer receive comprehensive care close to home. Thanks to Senator Markwayne Mullin's advocacy, we've secured \$10 million in federal funding that will help make this project a reality.

On behalf of the Foundation and those we serve, we extend our sincerest gratitude to our cherished donors, supportive businesses, dedicated volunteers and friends. The impact of your gifts, both large and small, is making a tangible difference in our community.

Thank you for your continued support.

Gratefully,

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Śhana Wood Executive Director Mercy Health Foundation Ada

Transformational \$10M Government Funding Gives Life to Community Cancer Center Project

U.S. Senator Markwayne Mullin (R-OK) toured Mercy Hospital Ada in March, where he announced \$10 million in federal funding that will help build a comprehensive cancer center to serve the community.

"Cancer touches all of us," Mullin said. "The idea that care can be given here, (surrounded by) loved ones, supportive staff and friends, makes a significant difference."

This funding sets the foundation for a new community cancer center to be constructed in Ada, with the help of local partners.

"Just being able to bring the state, bring tribal presence, Senator Mullin and all the help he gave to bring a type of care to rural Oklahoma that we haven't seen really ever... it's incredibly exciting and great for the people of Oklahoma," said State Senate Majority Floor Leader Greg McCortney (R-District 13).

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MHF Regional Coordinator - Casey Mankin welcomes new daughter

Mercy Ada Unveils New Birth Suites

The new Labor, Delivery, Recovery and Post-partum (LDRP) suites at Mercy Hospital Ada allow families to welcome their little ones in a comfortable, safe, home-like atmosphere. The bathroom in each private LDRP suite includes a shower with a bench, so that moms can shower during labor. Natural light floods through the newly-installed larger windows, giving the rooms a bright, airy feeling. Shades are provided for privacy and rest. After delivery, the larger suites offer plenty of space where siblings, family and loved ones can gather and bond with the new baby.



The \$1.2 million renovation project was funded entirely through donations, thanks to the generosity of donors like Valley View Foundation, attendees of the 2022 Mercy Black and White Ball and the 2022 Mercy Ada Golf Classic. In addition, 20 individual donors contributed to the cause, providing more than \$100,000.

The following lettter of gratitude is from proud dad, Casey Mankin:

"My wife Daniela was among the first to deliver at Mercy Hospital Ada's newly remodeled LDRP suites. We're so grateful to the entire labor and delivery team for the compassionate care we received before, during and after our baby's arrival.

Daniela introduces baby Sienna to her big sister.

Daniela's nurses, midwife and the entire team were there for our family every step of the way. They provided reassurance and support during labor and delivery, answering all of our questions. After delivery, they offered advice on breastfeeding and newborn care. They also made sure I felt comfortable in my role as a new dad.

The recently renovated delivery rooms were equipped with everything needed to tend to both mom and baby without either of them having to leave the room. We were able to stay together as a family and bond with our baby girl from the moment she arrived until we left the hospital.

We feel fortunate for the opportunity to welcome our daughter Sienna Lynn into the world in this beautiful new space. From the bottom of our hearts, we extend our thanks to the donors who made this project possible. Because of you, hundreds of local families will be also able to experience family-centered childbirth each year, right here in Ada."

Our Funding Priorities

Cancer Care:

Funds will provide upgraded infusion chairs, gas cards for patients to continue their needed treatments, crisis funding and other equipment advancements.

Women's & Children's Care:

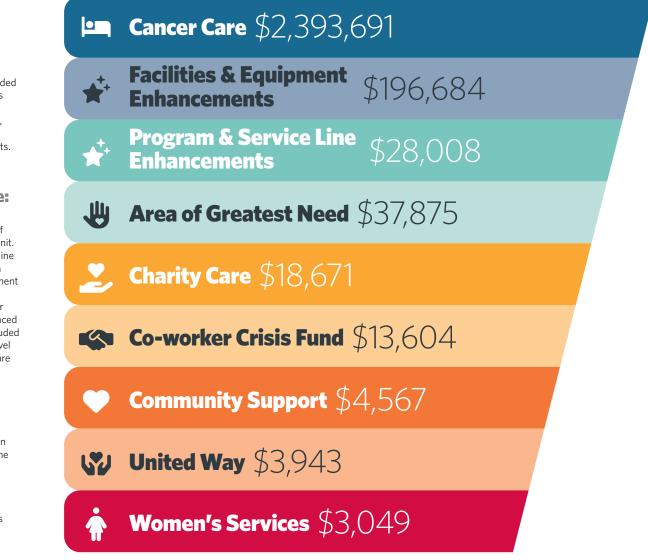
Provides funding for a \$1.2 million renovation of the Labor and Delivery unit. The updates will streamline care and provide a warm and welcoming environment for moms to deliver and families to welcome their newest additions. Advanced technologies will be included to provide the highest level of safety, comfort and care for our tiniest patients.

Access & Assistance:

Mercy Health Foundation Ada benefits telemedicine programs that leverage technology to remove geographic barriers and bring primary and specialty care to patients in rural communities.

Your Gifts at Work

Because of generous donations and continued support from donors like you, many programs and services were funded in fiscal year 2024.



Just Cure It A Journey of Hope and Awareness

According to the American Cancer Society, nearly one in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer. In 2021, a new initiative called "Just Cure It" began to raise awareness and emphasize the importance of annual breast screenings for women. The "Just Cure It" series features a friendly competition amongst area schools, all for a good cause: to save more lives. This campaign was made possible through a collaboration between Mercy Health Foundation Ada and Seth Wadley of Ada.

A Growing Initiative

The "Just Cure It" series gained momentum rapidly, expanding to 15 area schools in the 2023/24 school year. Thanks to dedicated teachers, faculty, students and community members, we raised more than \$60,000 to support local women with breast cancer.



Mercy Hospital Ada receives an electric vehicle from Ada Nissan

Ada Nissan Gifts Electric Vehicle To Serve Patient Care Needs

Ada Nissan is supporting a healthier community and a cleaner environment by providing Mercy Hospital Ada with the use of an electric vehicle for 18 months.

The 2023 Nissan Ariya will be used to provide transportation to and from appointments for patients in need. "For those on a fixed income, and those without reliable transportation, this gift is life-changing," said Terence Farrell. "Thank you to Ada Nissan for your generous donation that will help ensure patients can receive the treatments, follow-up care and therapies they need, without worrying how they'll get there."



Walker Chandler from Stratford High School



Torri Gustin from Byng High School

Just Cure It

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Empowering Youth

An initiative, generously sponsored by Seth Wadley of Ada, awards \$1,000 scholarships to two graduating seniors from participating schools who have shown exemplary commitment to the cause of breast cancer awareness. This year's scholarship recipients are Walker Chandler from Stratford High School and Torri Gustin from Byng High School. Both students were honored not only for their academic achievements but also for their dedication to spreading the message of early detection and breast cancer prevention.

A Vision of Hope

By fostering awareness, supporting education and engaging communities, the "Just Cure It" program strives to make a tangible difference in the lives of women across Oklahoma. Together, we can touch more lives through the power of early detection and awareness.

Community Cancer Center Project

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The need for cancer care in the region continues to grow, outpacing Mercy Hospital Ada's current capacity.

"It'll be about \$37 million to get it done, but it brings together all of the oncologists and physicians, the services, the nursing care, infusions, radiation... all the diagnostics all under one roof where somebody can receive the best care," said Mercy Ada President Terence Farrell.



L to R: Mercy Hospital Ada President Terence Farrell; U.S. Sen. Mark Wayne Mullin; Chickasaw Nation Lieutenant Governor Chris Anoatubby; and Oklahoma Senator Greg McCortney

Together we can touch more lives. Save more lives. And improve more lives.

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Our Mission

As the Sisters of Mercy before us, we bring to life the healing ministry of Jesus through our compassionate care and exceptional service.

Our Purpose

Through collaborative partnerships, Mercy Health Foundation impacts the flourishing of our communities by inviting into our ministry those who have a passion to improve quality of life and make care accessible for all.

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