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Dear Friends of Mercy,

Thank you for your tremendous support this year in helping us achieve our mission to deliver compassionate care and exceptional service to our community. Your commitment and dedication play a vital role in improving quality of life and making health care accessible for all.

Supporters in the St. Louis region collectively raised over \$1 million at our 19th Annual Benefit for Mercy Kids and the 19th Annual Mercy Masquerade.

Your support of the David C. Pratt Matching Gift Challenge has allowed us to make significant advances in meeting the growing demands and complexities of cancer care. Through advanced technologies and personalized care, we've been able to create new spaces for the Cardinals Adolescent and Young Adult Cancer Center and the Cardinals Kids Cancer Center. We've also bolstered our Nurse Navigation services, all contributing to the \$23 million campaign to improve cancer services in our community.

We're equally excited about the progress of Mercy Kids Therapy and Development Center. With the help of a matching gift challenge from the J.E. and L.E. Mabee Foundation, we're nearing the completion of this \$16.1 million campaign. With your continued support, we'll open a new center in St. Louis, expanding services in our region. This will allow more children and families to thrive with an updated facility, increased staff and expanded programs for developmental and behavioral concerns.

As we look to the future, we're filled with optimism and gratitude, knowing that we are working with you and following in the footsteps of our foundress Catherine McAuley and the Sisters of Mercy to serve the health needs of our community.

With sincere gratitude,

Valerie Stricker
Vice President, Development



From L to R: Kyle and Sarah Trenary, Jim and Alison Marischen, Brigid and Piers Pritchard

Tailgating for Mercy Kids Therapy and Development *A win for kids in our community*

Family and friends gathered for a special tailgate party on May 18 at The Reverie STL in Chesterfield. Instead of gearing up for a big game, this tailgate was organized to raise awareness and funds for Mercy Kids Therapy and Development Center. Hosted by Alison and Jim Marischen, Brigid and Piers Pritchard, and Sarah and Kyle Trenary, and sponsored by Trenary Automotive Group, the event featured live music, food, games, karaoke and a 50/50 raffle.

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Hugh Sprague, Mercy child life specialist, celebrates with Marissa and Richard Parrish on the day Rumani was able to go home

A Heartfelt Homecoming for Little Rumani

After spending 76 days in the NICU, little Rumani was finally stable enough to go home. The only obstacle standing in the way of her discharge was the need for a specialized, and costly, car seat to safely transport her—a car seat her parents couldn't afford.

Hugh, a child life specialist in the ER, learned of Rumani's situation and stepped in to provide the needed resources from a fund established in his son's memory.

Hugh's son, Matthew, passed away suddenly at the age of six. In the midst of their grief, Hugh and Matthew's mother Michele knew

they wanted to do something special to honor Matthew's life. They set up a memorial fund with the hopes of helping other children and families one day. That day arrived when Rumani was able to leave Mercy's NICU—the only home she'd ever known—for her real home, surrounded by her loving family.

A heartfelt thanks to Hugh and Michele for their continued generosity and for making a life-changing difference for others.

Matthew's memory remains very much alive for all who witnessed the joy of Rumani's family as they took their baby girl home. A heartfelt thanks to Hugh and Michele for their continued generosity and for making a life-changing difference for others.

Our Funding Priorities

Area of Greatest Need:

Provides unrestricted support for high-priority needs, such as state-of-the-art equipment and technology within Mercy Hospital St. Louis.

Cancer:

Mercy's \$23 million cancer campaign is our commitment to further improve and expand cancer care. We are committed to bringing more technology, more hope and more reasons to give to the David C. Pratt Cancer Center - equipping patients and their loved ones to fight back like never before. Our comprehensive approach to cancer care and proposed investments in Mercy's cancer care delivery will ensure every patient in the greater St. Louis region, and eventually in every community we serve, will have access to compassionate, state-of-the-art care that is consistent throughout our four-state service area.

Charity Care for Underserved:

Mercy Hospital St. Louis offers medical, obstetrical, gynecological and pediatric services to approximately 6,000 uninsured or underinsured patients. Mercy seeks support to cover the costs of preventive dental care, eye care, durable medical equipment and additional charity care services.

Mercy Kids Therapy and Development:

Mercy is building an advanced center large enough to offer all therapy, development and autism spectrum services under one roof. This space will offer innovative treatments and personalized care. It will also provide room for family support, community education programming, and a comprehensive behavioral health component. The new center will allow us to more than double the number of children, teens and families served.

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.



Mercy Kids Therapy and Development

\$9,300,378



Cancer Care

\$1,707,693



Charity Care

\$1,331,743



Area of Greatest Need

\$888,010



Co-worker Disability and Inclusion

\$653,240



Children's Services

\$313,502



Nursing Education

\$247,108



Other Hospital Services

\$213,301



Event co-chairs with "The Queen." Back row from left to right: Dr. Stephen and Jackie Sanders, Joseph and Mary Stieven, Sara Sindelar, and Dr. Peter and Annie DiPasco



19th Annual Mercy Masquerade Raises Over \$1M!

Over 750 guests donned their most regal attire and were transported to the romantic and charming Regency Era of London at the 19th Annual Mercy Masquerade. The annual event was held on Saturday, March 9, at St. Louis Union Station. Welcomed by the Queen herself, guests entered her esteemed ball, immersing themselves in a world of opulence and sophistication as they mingled and explored Mercy's mission through a reimagined and captivating experience.

This marks the fourth year that Mercy Hospital St. Louis and Mercy Hospital South have joined together to bring this annual gala to the St. Louis community. The event successfully raised over \$1 million for uninsured and underinsured patients in the area. Co-chairs Dr. Peter and Annie DiPasco, Dr. Stephen and Jackie Sanders, Sara Sindelar, and Joseph and Mary Stieven played pivotal roles in the event's success.

Guests enjoyed a cocktail reception and a seated dinner, followed by an exciting After Party in the Gentry Gaming Hall and dancing in the Regency Rave. All funds raised from this event will help Mercy Hospital St. Louis and Mercy Hospital South provide high-quality medical care to nearly 50,000 uninsured and underinsured families in our community.

Throughout its history, Mercy Masquerade has raised more than \$12 million. Through collaborative partnerships, Mercy Health Foundation continues to impact the flourishing of our communities by inviting those who share a passion for improving quality of life and making care accessible for all.

Thank you for being a part of this unforgettable night and for your unwavering support of Mercy's mission.

Tailgating for Mercy Kids *(continued from page 2)*

Over 100 guests, dressed in their favorite sports jerseys, came together to learn more about the campaign to expand vital services for children with developmental and behavioral concerns.

Mercy is building an advanced new center large enough to offer all therapy, developmental and autism spectrum services under one roof. This innovative space will provide personalized care, family support, community education programming, and a comprehensive behavioral health component. It will also have the capacity to more than double the number of children, teens and families served in our community.

The Center aims to be a regional and national leader in providing exceptional, evidence-based care that is innovative, equitable and accessible for all children and families in our area.

The tailgate event raised over \$200,000 for the campaign. These funds will be matched dollar-for-dollar through a matching gift challenge from the J.E. and L.E. Mabee Foundation, helping us reach the finish line of this \$16.1 million campaign.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Marischen, Pritchard and Trenary families for their dedication to expanding services in our region and allowing more children and families to flourish.

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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