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**Because of YOU!**



**HSHS  
Sacred Heart  
Foundation**  
WINTER 2019

# Giving Hope

**Including your 2018 Impact Statement**

## 2018 Highlights

**42+ Eau Claire Area Students**  
will receive mental health counseling on-site at school from Prevea Behavioral Care therapists. *Donor support in 2018 will cover 100% of the cost of these sessions in 2019*

**675 patients**  
received free aromatherapy as an alternative to opioids or other prescriptions to manage pain, anxiety and nausea at HSHS Sacred Heart and St. Joseph's hospitals. *Foundation support paid for 100% of this trial program.*

**Average of 89 patients each month**  
receive compassionate palliative care to ease suffering from chronic and life-threatening illnesses. *Support from donors covers operational costs of in-patient palliative care.*

**215 community members**  
received one-on-one grief counseling in addition to more than 2,300 registrations for events at The Healing Place. *The Healing Place is 100% funded by community support.*

**And you supported so much more**  
like renovations to the Women and Infants Center and Prevea Cancer Center at HSHS Sacred Heart, Hospital, patient transportation and a new overhead prayer system.



Dear <Salutation>,

As I reflect on 2018 and all the accomplishments of HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital, I realize how all of us—you and every one of our family of supporters—should take a moment to congratulate ourselves. We came together to show our support for the mission, and amazing things happened.

As HSHS Sacred Heart Foundation director, I don't often refer to myself as a donor and supporter of our mission. The fact is, I am so proud to be invested in our mission, and I think we should all feel good about how we helped improve the health of our community.

Last year, our support helped to complete renovations to the Women and Infants Center and the Prevea Cancer Center at HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital. Together, these patient-focused areas have technologies, services and amenities to offer the highest-quality care, comfort and compassion to patients and families at the beginning of life and during the struggle with life-threatening illness. Together, we were able to introduce aromatherapy to HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital. This is a wonderful program that gives an alternative to medications for mitigating pain, nausea and discomfort.

Community support also continues to fully fund The Healing Place's bereavement services, transportation for those who do not have a ride home and palliative care to the sick and dying.

Our support of Sacred Heart's mission also keeps the spirit of Father Klimek alive through the Healing Presence Endowment. This fund helped to establish Second Victim Training to offer emotional and spiritual support to our caregivers who may be experiencing workplace trauma.

HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital is blessed to have you as part of our supportive community, and I am proud to join you in this mission of mercy. May God bless you in 2019.

Ann Kaiser  
Director of Philanthropy  
HSHS Sacred Heart Foundation


On Wednesday, Sept. 5, the new Prevea Cancer Center at HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital celebrated its grand opening. The remodeled cancer center continues to offer the high-quality care as a nationally-accredited cancer center. Thanks in part to donor support, the newly remodeled cancer center has unique features which allow us to provide care in a holistic, comforting and relaxing environment.

“We are so delighted with the new Prevea Cancer Center at HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital,” said Georgia Smith, Executive Director of Cancer Care Services. “It is the first in the area to offer truly patient-centered care.” This means that, whenever possible, lab technicians, nurses and physicians come to the patient instead of the patient being brought to multiple areas. The focus is on ease and comfort for those receiving cancer treatment.

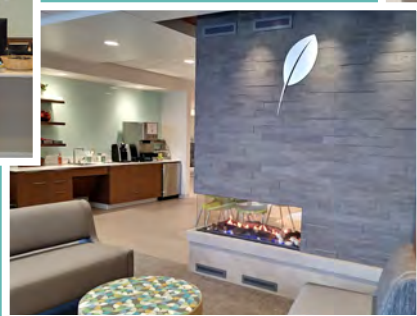
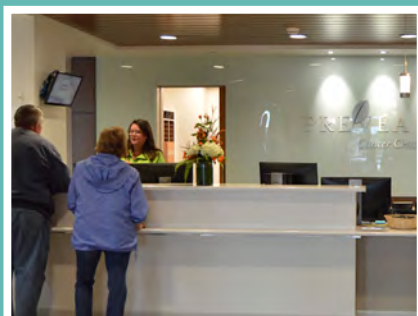
The renovated cancer center is optimized to centralize care while offering a welcoming, serene environment. This means the best cancer care in the Chippewa Valley is now even more attuned to the patient’s care and comfort.

Georgia added, “The mission-driven legacy of the Hospital Sisters continues through our Foundation and allows us to provide palliative care, free items in the boutique, nutritious snacks for patients and families, and many other items thanks to the generosity of donors.”

Donor support also provided 42 patients with gas cards to help with travel costs to treatment, 18 patients with housing or hotel rooms, and 227 patients receiving items from the cancer center boutique. This has been possible in no small part to your support of our mission. Thank you for investing in our mission.



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# Your Support Brings A New Level of Care to Expecting Mothers

*by Bethany Calkins, RN, BSN, Nurse Manager,  
Women and Infants Center*

Since the opening of the remodeled Women and Infants Center at HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital, we have delivered over 350 babies! Patients and family members love the spacious rooms as well as amenities like personal refrigerators, warmed blankets in each room, and exciting labor support options that your donor support helped make possible.

For those seeking water birth, the new larger tubs are a dream! The room layout allows for caregivers to more closely attend to mothers who are laboring in the tubs. This certainly enhances the entire patient experience.

Donor support also helped to bring birthing hammocks to our new center, and they have been very popular. Mothers who are looking for alternative positions during labor feel supported and empowered to utilize this tool. So much of this renovation was designed to offer patient choice.

On behalf of the mothers and families who have welcomed these little miracles of life into the world at HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital, thank you for your continued support of our mission and helping us provide so many options and amazing care to new and growing families.



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*Bethany Calkins, RN, BSN, Nurse  
Manager, Women and Infants Center*



# Second Victims Training Offers Support to Care Providers

With the help of the Monsignor Klimek Healing Presence Endowment, a group of seven colleagues from HSHS Sacred Heart and St. Joseph's hospitals attended a Second Victim Train-the-Trainer workshop in Kansas City, Mo recently.

When providers of patient health care are involved in an unfavorable patient outcome or incident, it is common for them to unjustly feel personally responsible and potentially traumatized by the experience. This training is designed to help provide emotional and spiritual support to those colleagues affected by patient trauma.

The comfort and care this program will provide to our colleagues is an appropriate tribute to, and reminder of, Father Klimek's tremendous support to caregivers while he walked our halls. This is only possible because of community members who have given in memory of Monsignor Klimek to the Healing Presence Endowment.

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## YOUR PERSONAL IMPACT STATEMENT | 2018

GIFT PURPOSE

GIFT DATE

PAYMENT

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