

Southern Ohio Medical Center Development Foundation Newsletter



Spring 2024

» Community Partnership Program

Become an event sponsor!

Make a Difference

Southern Ohio Medical Center is committed to making a positive difference in the lives of our patients, employees, and the communities we serve. Our Community Partnership Program was created to help raise awareness about SOMC community events that were established to promote our community's health and wellness needs. Our vision for this program is to establish strong philanthropic partnerships between SOMC and our valued Community Partners. We invite you to participate in any or all our community fundraising events.

Recognition

Your organization will be recognized at each sponsored event through a variety of outlets such as event shirts, social media posts, event signage and more. In addition to individual event recognition, all partners who sponsor an amount of \$2,000 or more will receive special recognition in the SOMC employee and donor newsletters.

View our event sponsorship opportunities and learn more at somc.org/support-us/community-partners or contact Mary Arnzen at ArnzenM@somc.org or 740-356-5609.



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» Donor Spotlight

At the conclusion of the year, we initiated a campaign to acquire zero gravity chairs for the patient rooms at the SOMC Hospice Inpatient Center. Through this initiative, we raised \$24,221, enabling us to purchase six chairs for the patient rooms.

The zero gravity chair provides comfort for the patient and their families as the chair is heated, reclines to levels that are advantageous for health reasons, and provides extreme comfort.

The generous donors who contributed to this cause include:

- » John Boyer Family in memory of Carolyn Boyer
- » Larry & Linny Livingston in memory of Aaron Livingston
- » Livingston and Company in memory of Aaron Livingston
- » Portsmouth Elks Lodge #154
- » Sandy Bonzo
- » SOMC Kardia Guild
- » SOMC Pleasure Guild

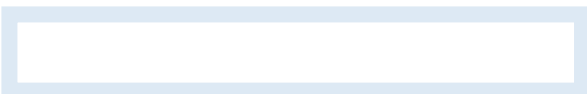


» Continuing the Legacy Donation

The Continuing the Legacy Foundation and SOMC have recently partnered on a new project to make screening for colon cancer easier for our community members. Formerly the Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital (OLBH) Foundation, CTL Foundation is dedicated to continuing the legacy of OLBH by continuing the charitable work of the OLBH Foundation.

The foundation has donated at-home colon screening tests for uninsured and under-insured patients in our community.

“We strive to honor each of our board members by giving back to the community in ways they are most passionate about. Richard Reames joined our foundation board in 2023 but previously served as chairman of the OLBH foundation board. Richard is an advocate for men’s health and wanted to assist the men in our community with an opportunity to screen for colon cancer.” – Continuing the Legacy Foundation



» Recently Approved Projects

Portable Hair Washing Stations

Several hair washing stations were purchased by the Annual Fund donors and divided amongst units in the hospital. These hair washing stations are vital to our patient experience by allowing them to maintain their dignity and personal hygiene while bed bound.

Learn more about their importance on our [Facebook page](#).



Car seats for SOMC Maternity to have on hand for those without a car seat and for those being placed in foster care/family member urgently
Provided by the Pediatric Fund

Oxygen Saturation Kits for COVID and upper respiratory disease patients
Provided by the Annual Fund

Shoes for patients that present to SOMC without shoes or with shoes inappropriate for the weather
Provided by the Annual Fund

Blood Pressure Monitors
Provided by the Heart & Vascular Fund



Shirts and shorts for all SOMC Orthopedic total joint replacement patients during in-patient rehab
Provided by the Annual Fund



SOMC Home Care patient scales
Provided by the Heart & Vascular Fund

» Planned Giving Corner

LIFE INSURANCE POLICY GIFT

There are many types of planned giving opportunities for donors to explore. A planned gift could be as simple as naming the SOMC Development Foundation as the beneficiary of your life insurance policy.

The SOMC Development Foundation is a qualified charity. When leaving a life insurance policy, you can designate your gift to go to one of the SOMC Development Foundation's following funds: Endowment Fund, Annual Fund, Cancer Compassion Fund, Hospice Caritas Fund, Heart & Vascular Fund,

Community Health & Wellness Fund, Pediatric Fund, Juvenile Diabetes Fund, Nursery Bereavement Fund, or the Jim & Clara Donaldson Family Scholarship Fund. For descriptions of these funds, please visit our website at www.somc.org/development.

For further questions or to inform us that you will be naming the SOMC Development Foundation as a beneficiary of your life insurance policy, you may contact Mary Arnzen, the Foundation's Major Gift & Planned Giving Officer, at ArnzenM@somc.org or **740-356-5609**.

» Events

A huge THANK YOU for those who joined us at our Kentucky Derby event, Race for the Roses. Your presence not only made for a fun event but also gave back to the SOMC Cancer Compassion Fund. With your help, we're racing towards better support and resources for those fighting cancer.



Save the Date

Maternity Remembrance Walk
June 1 | Earl Thomas Conley Park

somc.org/support-us/our-events/maternity-remembrance-walk



**SOMC
Development
Foundation**
Your compassion, your community

Our mission is to make a difference by identifying the community's health and wellness needs while bridging the gap between those needs and the cost of the solutions.

The SOMC Development Foundation encompasses fundraising efforts for Hospice, Cancer, Employee Relief, Heart & Vascular, Pediatrics, Community Health and Wellness, the Endowment Fund and the areas of greatest need. These funds generate much needed support and enable SOMC to continually deliver extraordinary care for future generations to come. We consider it our responsibility to serve our community and we take pride in doing so.



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