



UCHEALTH LONGS PEAK HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

Impact Report | FY25

Every act of generosity toward UCHealth Longs Peak Hospital Foundation (LPHF) carries the power to transform lives. Community support fuels innovation, education, patient financial assistance, community health programs and enhancements to patient care – creating immediate and lasting impact for patients and families across our region. 100% of every gift goes directly to its designated purpose, with no administrative or overhead fees.

LPHF serves the communities of Boulder, Broomfield, Erie, Firestone, Frederick, Longmont and surrounding areas. Our region's network of care includes UCHealth Longs Peak Hospital, UCHealth Broomfield Hospital and numerous clinics serving our communities. Many of the most meaningful services available to UCHealth patients exist because of the compassion and generosity of individuals, families and organizations in our community.

This impact report highlights the difference philanthropic support makes each year. Continue reading to see how contributions in 2024-2025 are helping patients, families and our region thrive.

The Reach of Your Generosity

A letter from the Board President

Your support – whether through giving, partnership or connection with our mission – continues to ripple through our hospital community in extraordinary ways. As I reviewed this report, what struck me most was the reach of that generosity: the breadth of patients, families and programs touched, and the tangible difference these efforts make every day.

From innovations in care to educational programs, patient financial assistance and community health initiatives, philanthropy fuels progress that would not be possible otherwise. When someone dreams of a better way to support a patient, improve care or strengthen our community, charitable dollars turn those ideas into reality – faster, more effectively and with lasting impact.

The stories in this report reflect that reach, showing how community generosity strengthens our hospitals, clinics and the neighborhoods our friends and families call home.

Thank you for your interest in this work, your trust and your commitment to helping us make a difference. We are grateful for your partnership in serving our region today and creating lasting impact for tomorrow.

With sincere gratitude,



Jane Cox
Board President
2022-2024

Impact by the Numbers

How community support strengthened patient care across our region.

3,439

Individuals benefited through philanthropic dollars:



83

Cancer patient assistance recipients



14

Employee scholars



290

Patient assistance recipients



3,052

Individuals engaged through school-based and community outreach

Your generosity at work

How donors powered meaningful programs and services across our hospitals and clinics:

\$17,382

AEDs for Longmont community

\$2,286

Breast cancer and cardiovascular health community outreach

\$11,482

Medical equipment

\$7,042

Other hospital initiatives

\$24,050

Employee education

\$42,600

Patient assistance



Stories of Impact

Greatest Needs Distributions

The Greatest Needs Fund empowers patient-care enhancements, community health initiatives and advances in research and innovation. Flexible in purpose, it allows the foundation to respond swiftly to emerging needs.

Making Tough Days Easier: Comfort and Activity Carts

Recognizing an unmet need, the foundation sought to support the emotional well-being of patients and families during extended ICU stays – a project made possible through philanthropy.

To address this, ICU Comfort and Activity Carts were introduced. Each \$1,650 cart is stocked with puzzles, coloring books, games, journals and comfort supplies – providing healthy distractions, meaningful engagement and moments of relief. Nurses report the carts foster connection, ease anxiety and bring a sense of normalcy to the ICU.

The impact was immediate. Families shared that the activities helped pass long hours at the bedside and created opportunities for interaction that felt more like home. Encouraged by this success, the foundation expanded the program, funding additional carts across critical units. What began as a modest investment has grown into an essential support for patients and families during some of life's most challenging moments.

Ensuring Surgical Precision: Cryostats

Cryostats are an essential tool for modern pathology labs, enabling precise and rapid tissue analysis that guides timely, life-saving care. By providing intraoperative diagnostic results within minutes, surgeons can make critical treatment decisions without delay.

At UHealth Longs Peak Hospital, demand for cryostat functionality has grown steadily with the expansion of oncology services. The original cryostat, now eight years old, had been in constant use since the facility opened in 2017, with workload doubling year over year.

Thanks to the generosity of donors, UHealth Longs Peak Hospital Foundation was able to support the purchase a new cryostat. This second instrument provides critical backup to the aging unit, ensuring surgeries are never delayed and diagnostic services continue uninterrupted.

This achievement demonstrates how philanthropic support directly strengthens oncology services, safeguards timely diagnostics and ensures that every patient receives the highest standard of care.



Employee Scholarships

Supporting lifelong learning for healthcare heroes.

Thanks to donor generosity, seven employees received continuing education funds and 14 employees were awarded scholarships for higher education – totaling \$18,750 to help advance their training and skills.

Since 2018, the foundation has awarded more than \$130,000 in scholarships to 120 employees. By helping employees gain new skills and knowledge, you strengthen the care they provide to the thousands of patients whose lives they touch each year. Many recipients share that these scholarships ease the financial burden of school while giving them the encouragement to continue advancing their medical careers.

"I am currently an operating room nurse at UHealth Longs Peak Hospital with a drive for compassionate, patient-centered care and the desire to reduce barriers to care in underserved populations. I am passionate about providing care in the community in which I live (Longmont) and plan to become a nurse practitioner graduating from CU Anschutz Medical Campus while I continue to work full-time nights in the OR. As a working, single mom of two young boys, this [scholarship award] is a great help toward my educational expenses and will allow me to focus more of my time on studying and clinical rotations."

– 2024-2025 award recipient, Rya P.



Transformational Philanthropy: Advancing Breast Cancer Detection

UCHealth Longs Peak Medical Center is the first location in Colorado to offer contrast-enhanced mammography, an advanced imaging technology that provides faster, clearer results for women with dense breast tissue or inconclusive imaging findings. This innovation offers earlier detection and potentially life-saving care, giving patients clarity and a quicker path to diagnosis and treatment.

“For women with dense breast tissue, 3D mammography and even breast ultrasound can still miss the earliest signs of breast cancer,” explained Dr. Elizabeth Vorhis, breast radiologist and medical director at the UCHealth Breast Diagnostic Center. “By including an injection of IV contrast right before a traditional mammogram, we now have a test that is familiar, fast, well-tolerated and can find early small cancers even in dense tissue, with an accuracy comparable to breast MRI.”

This program was made possible through a generous gift from Claire and Richard Padgett, a local couple who are committed to improving healthcare access in northern Colorado. “We are delighted to support the advancement of contrast-enhanced mammography to allow women the opportunity to detect breast cancer as early as possible,” said Claire.

This initiative is a powerful example of transformational philanthropy - donor support paired with strategic investment brings innovative, life-saving technology to the community, improving access, outcomes and care for patients and families.



Honoring Outstanding Care

Helping Others in Need

Expressing gratitude can be a potent part of the healing process. Through our Recognizing Outstanding Care program, community members like Nancy M. find meaningful ways to honor the care they received while supporting others on similar journeys.

Nancy's Story

Nancy faced a frightening cancer diagnosis, but she found comfort, hope and healing at UHealth Longs Peak Hospital. Inspired by the compassion and dedication of her care team, she chose to turn her gratitude into action.

"It's hard to convey the fear and uncertainty a serious diagnosis brings. For those of us who've heard those words, life's concerns reduce to a single focus: 'Will I get better? Can I trust the doctors to do what's best?'"

I was so grateful to find the team at UHealth Longs Peak Hospital. They cared about me as a person, not just a patient. They gave me my life back.

So I wanted to give back too – by supporting other cancer patients and their families through the UHealth Longs Peak Hospital Foundation. It feels good to help others facing a journey I know so well, and to give in honor of the doctors who saved my life."

Nancy's gift ensures that other patients and families facing cancer receive the same exceptional care and support that made such a difference in her life.

Community Engagement

Golf for a Heart-Healthy Community

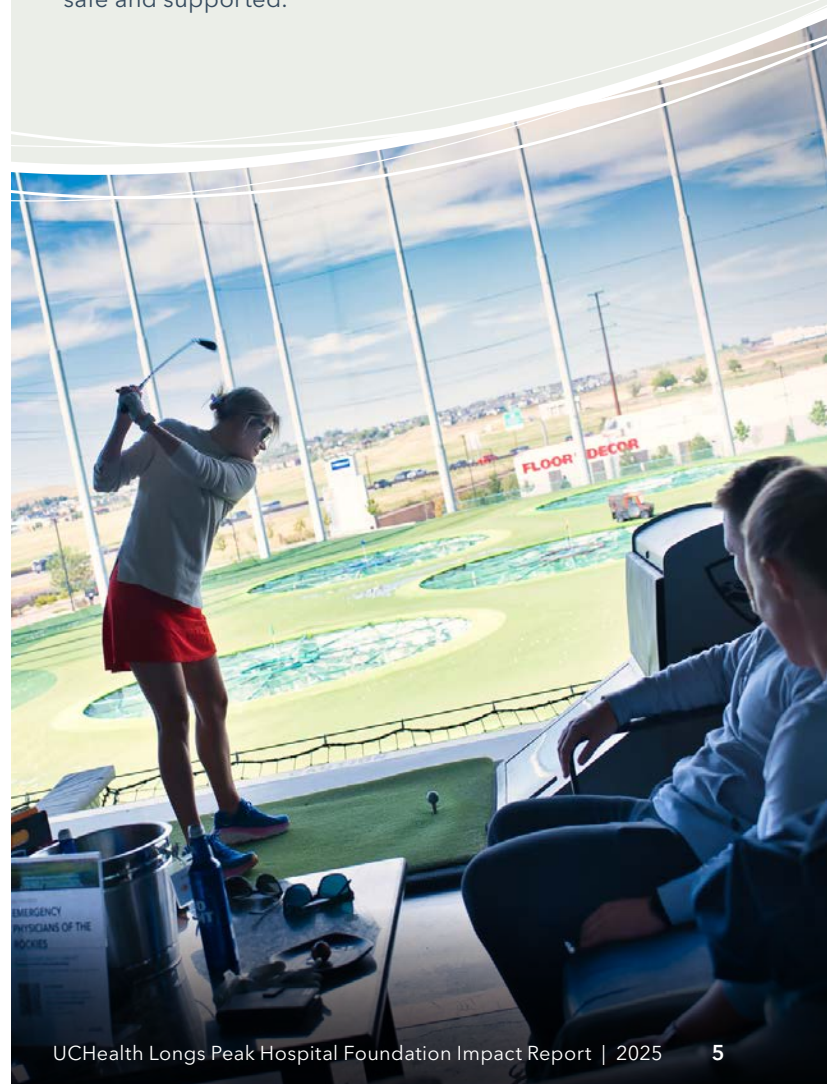
In 2024, we hosted an outing at Topgolf to bring our community together in support of community cardiovascular health. Friends, neighbors and donors joined us for a day of connection, friendly competition and generosity – all while helping to raise funds for life-saving initiatives.

Thanks to this community effort, nearly \$20,000 was directed toward placing life-saving Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) across Longmont and expanding critically important resuscitation training – bringing Longmont closer to earning the HEARTSafe Community designation.

Made possible through this event:

- AEDs for placement in our community: AEDs analyze heart rhythm and deliver a shock if needed, dramatically improving survival in cardiac emergencies.
- Hands-only CPR and AED education: Teaching residents how to respond quickly and confidently in critical situations.

Our community's participation and enthusiasm helped turn a day of connection into meaningful, lasting impact – keeping hearts in our community strong, safe and supported.



Leadership

On behalf of the entire UHealth Longs Peak Hospital Foundation team, thank you. Your generosity enables innovation, supports patient care and strengthens our community in ways that are tangible and lasting.

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