

# Longs Peak Hospital Foundation Impact Report | 2021

We empower our community members to live healthy, generous and meaningful lives.



Longs Peak Hospital strives to promote individual and community health and leave no question unanswered along the way. We exist to help our patients live extraordinary lives.

Our hospital, its affiliated clinics and Longs Peak Hospital Foundation serve residents of Longmont and the surrounding area.

Through the generosity of individual, corporate and foundation donors, as well as through public grant funding, Longs Peak Hospital Foundation provides resources to support innovative research and education, patient financial assistance, community health programs and enhancements to patient care. Many critically important services offered to UHealth patients and families would not exist without private donations made through the foundation.

## Expedite and expedition.

I've been thinking about those words a lot lately. *Expedite* means to make an action or process happen sooner or be accomplished more quickly. The ways in which UHealth has expedited its response to our growing community and COVID-19 have been amazing.

In this report, you will see how your generosity has helped to make this *expedition*, this prompt and speedy response, possible.

When UHealth Longs Peak Hospital opened in 2017, leaders intentionally left a section of the hospital unfinished to provide options for future growth. After analyzing inpatient trends, they planned to expand the intensive care unit (ICU) at the end of 2021. Due to high demand from our community, leadership expedited plans and construction. I am thrilled to report that Longs Peak Hospital opened six new ICU rooms in February.

With a total of 12 ICU rooms, we can better serve our community and deliver care close to home. Thank you to our donors who made it possible to purchase two ICU bed systems and a ventilator. We are continuing to raise support for our ICU fund to ensure we stay at the forefront of innovation and infection prevention.

I think it's fair to say that all of us have felt like we've been living in uncharted territory since the pandemic turned the world upside down. I am among the many who contracted COVID-19. I've served as chair of the Longs Peak Hospital Foundation board of directors since early 2020. My experience on the board has reinforced my belief that, if I needed to be hospitalized for COVID-19 or any other reason, I would choose Longs Peak Hospital. The executive leaders, doctors, nurses, respiratory therapists, medical lab technologists, environmental service workers, café staff, facilities employees and *you* have made Longs Peak Hospital an incredible community asset. Thank you.

Sincerely,



  
Larry Stauss  
Board Chair

## Longs Peak Hospital community impact.

Our 2020 statistics illustrate how philanthropic support, made possible through donor generosity, has tangible and intangible impacts throughout our community.

### Your generosity helps patients in financial need:

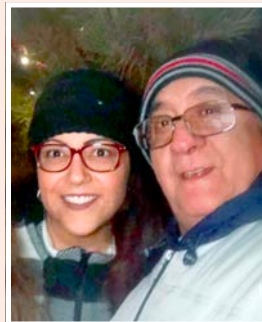
- Emergency food boxes for 339 patients through a partnership with Meals on Wheels.
- Oxygen at home for five patients.
- Multiple weeks of home health care for six patients.
- Custom lymphedema sleeves for three patients.
- Transportation assistance to and from health care appointments for two patients.
- Lodging for two patients to stay nearby while undergoing medical treatment.

### Your generosity supports parents and their babies:

- 500 pregnant women were provided with custom cloth masks at a time when masks of any kind were in short supply.
- 643 women were provided with lactation and feeding education to help them care for their newborns.
- Nurses gained lactation resources to provide new moms with breastfeeding guidance.

### Your generosity helps make advanced care available close to home:

- The purchase of two additional bed systems for the Longs Peak Hospital ICU meant the hospital cared for 300 additional ICU patients.



"My dad started to get really, really sick, and we called an ambulance. He was taken to Longs Peak Hospital, and because of COVID-19, we could not accompany him. He took a really bad turn and needed to be put on a ventilator. It was unbelievably scary, but I will say the one thing that was really amazing were the nurses

in the ICU. Even just offering us the ability to Skype was such a gift because he could hear all of our voices. When I got the first phone call from my dad when he was off the ventilator, and I heard a voice, I didn't recognize it until he started saying, 'Jenny I'm here.' I said, 'Dad, I can't believe you're calling me. This is the most amazing thing.'"

– Jennifer Weinberger, daughter of patient, Edgar Jaramillo, who was successfully treated at the LPH ICU

### Your generosity supports our health care heroes:

- Donations to our COVID-19 response funds helped UHealth pay nearly \$712,000 to assist 691 employees across the health system with day care, housing, utility and other expenses to help them overcome disruptions to their own lives as they cared for our community during the pandemic.
- A grant from the Longmont Community Foundation early in the pandemic provided \$4,100 to support our health care workers' needs related to unexpected child care costs, housing expenses and mental wellness.
- In-kind support from Longmont and the surrounding communities helped bolster 668 health care workers during the height of the pandemic with coffee cards, poinsettias, meals, healthy snacks, cookies and facial care kits.
- Gifts to our scholarship funds provided 29 employees with scholarships totaling \$37,000 to help them advance their training and education. Since 2018, the foundation has awarded over \$80,000 to 73 employees.

Scholarships are one of the most potent ways to invest in a community because they have a multiplier effect. Scholarships help our employees gain new skills and knowledge, which they use to provide outstanding care for the thousands of patients whose lives they touch.

"I am truly grateful to be selected as a scholarship recipient. Thank you for your generous contribution, which will allow me to further move toward a bachelor's degree in nursing. I have never worked in a more supportive hospital, with leadership that sincerely supports me and with that sincerity has earned my loyalty."

– Carlo Diaz  
Longs Peak Hospital emergency department charge nurse



### Your generosity helps prevent injuries and saves lives:

- Longs Peak Hospital joined a special collaboration with Longmont United Hospital and the City of Longmont to launch Stop the Bleed trainings for teachers in the St. Vrain Valley School District. Foundation supporters made it possible for us to contribute 140 Stop the Bleed kits, including 20 kits placed with trained teachers at six local high schools. The American College of Surgeons developed the Stop the Bleed program to save lives by educating people on how to recognize life-threatening bleeding and intervene effectively.



Foundation volunteer and supporter Melody Mills presented the Guardian Angel award to Lisa Rowland.

Expressing gratitude is a powerful part of the healing process for many patients. Our Guardian Angel program enables patients to recognize outstanding service by donating to a range of programs the foundation supports, such as our patient assistance fund, nursing scholarships and COVID-19 response.

Victor Vela recognized emergency department nurse Lisa Rowland as a Guardian Angel with a gift to our emergency services fund.

"Lisa was this tiny yet strong nurse who saved my life. She called a cardiac code and continued chest compressions even as I was moved from one room to another. My wife was present throughout, and she watched Lisa lead the team. Everyone did amazing work!"

# Longs Peak Hospital Foundation fast facts.

Since our founding three years ago, we have received **more than \$575,000 in gifts and grants** from individuals, businesses, private foundations and state and federal grant sources. Funds have been used to procure vital equipment during the pandemic, help patients in need and support our health care workers.

About **27% of UCHealth employees** working at our facilities in the Longmont area give to the foundation.



"I chose to donate to the women and children's fund because I know how important it is to get a good start in life. Helping to ensure families receive the quality care they need, especially children, is the least I can do. I know there is a great impact when my contributions are combined with the contributions of others. And I know that without those gifts, we wouldn't be able to support our patients or each other in the same way."

– Phil Wynn  
Emergency preparedness program manager  
for Longs Peak Hospital Support Operations

## LONGS PEAK HOSPITAL BY THE NUMBERS FISCAL YEAR 2020<sup>1</sup>

	Available beds <sup>2</sup>	51
	Babies delivered	685
	ER visits	21,230
	Surgeries	2,572
	Inpatient admissions and observation visits	4,526
	Outpatient visits	12,550



<sup>1</sup>Annual totals based on UCHealth fiscal year July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020.

<sup>2</sup>As of Feb. 23, 2021, Longs Peak Hospital has 57 beds. Six new beds were added as part of the expanded intensive care unit.



## Our mission.

The mission of Longs Peak Hospital Foundation is to support its affiliated hospital and clinics in the delivery and advancement of world-class health care in Longmont and the surrounding area. The foundation realizes its mission through the development and stewardship of philanthropic resources in support of the hospital's mission and strategic goals.

100% of every donated dollar goes to the foundation's philanthropic funds, with no overhead costs or administrative fees.

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