

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Throughout this past year, we have experienced some changes which have led us into busy days. During the past year, we have expanded and rounded out our staff, experienced record highs for event attendance, and have been working hard to redefine the role of our organization to better support the hospital and our community. We are excited to share with you where we have been, and where we are going.

In 2017, we were able to round out our team with the addition of Chris Fine who joined us to head up funds development and Laura Whitney who is our events coordinator and office manager. The new ideas, energy and hard work they have brought to our team have been incredible. They have tackled every challenge that has come their way, and the Foundation and community have benefited in many ways as a result.

We experienced phenomenal participation for our events during the year. After much planning and development, we rolled out a new format for our McKee Presents Heart of Paradise Gala. With a raffle format offering attendees plenty of opportunities to win exciting travel packages, the gala attracted record high attendance and raised more than \$150,000 for the McKee Heart Program.

Likewise, mild temperatures made for a pleasant morning for the 2,000 runners who came out for the Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot. Through this event we were able to raise \$50,000 for the Marge Schafer Nursing Scholarship, helping us meet our 2017 fundraising goal.

We are honored to work in a community where people like you so fully support these events and make such

success possible to allow the foundation to give back to our community.

Throughout the year, we have continued to focus on ways of meeting the needs of our community. We have



strengthened vital partnerships that will enable us to keep growing the programs we are currently involved in while looking for new programs and outreach services that will benefit those in our community.

After much discussion and planning, as we move forward into the New Year, we will shift our focus to a supporting Healthcare-centered community initiative. We will have a new look, but the heart of our organization will remain the same, to provide the community with the healthcare services it needs. Our focus on community programs aims to bring partners together for a collective purpose in support of education, health, and wellness. While Banner Health and McKee Medical Center remain, key partners, the Foundation will be expanding our resources to the Northern Colorado region.

Thank you for your loyalty, support and generosity, we look forward to the many things we will accomplish together in 2018.

Sincerely,

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Record-High Turkey Trot and Gala Attendance in 2017

More than \$500,000 Scholarship Dollars Awarded

More than \$1.2 Million Dollars Raised in 2017

MCKEE FOUNDATION AT WORK

A cancer diagnosis is never easy to hear, but when you are a 61 year old living alone with no other support system, it is even more devastating. That is the reality that Renee was faced with this past year. She went to the Emergency Department because she was having trouble breathing. Having never been seriously ill before, she thought she'd receive some medication and be on the road to recovery. Little did she know that they would admit her, run many tests and discover that she had stage IV metastatic breast cancer that had metastasized to her lungs and other areas throughout her body.

Because she was unable to work anymore, was on continuous oxygen and was getting short of breath easily with any activity, Renee found herself with no income until her social security disability payments started in May. Just like that she had no way to pay the lot rent for her RV, her car insurance, and she had no money for food and utilities. The outlook was bleak as she contemplated having to give up her home and her car.

Thankfully, McKee Foundation and our grant partners were able to step in and offer her the assistance she needed to fill the gap. A collaborative solution through RamStrength, Tough Enough to Wear Pink (TETWP), Save Them All Big or Small (STABOS), and McKee Foundation offered Renee the monetary assistance she needed to pay her bills until her Social Security Disability kicked in.

She is extremely grateful for the assistance, kindness, and compassion she has felt from everyone. It made a very grim, scary, and stressful situation bearable.

Like Renee, there are many others receiving cancer support as they battle their illness. The support comes in many forms and helps to bridge the gap many face as they deal with a medical crisis. We could not do it without your support and our partners RamStrength, TETWP, and STABOS. Thank you!

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SURGERIES 2,345 OUTPATIENT



HOSPITAL STAYS 3,323



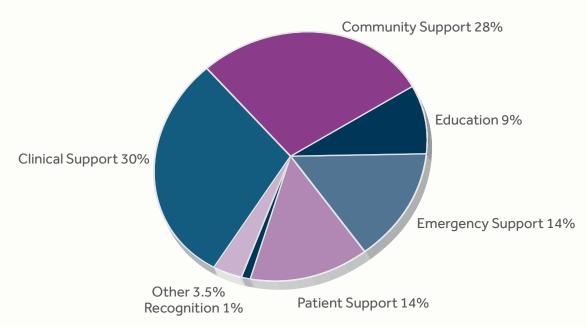
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