Washington Health System

Foundation Insider

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As this year comes to an end, I reflect on the countless donations WHS and WHS Greene have received to help us fulfill our mission of supporting Washington Health System in providing high quality health care services to our patients. Some of those generous donations and how they have transformed lives are highlighted in this issue of the Foundation Insider. As you will see, the impact you are making on our patients is priceless. Thank you for continuing to value and invest in independent community health care. I wish you all a blessed holiday season and a healthy and Happy New Year. Thank you.

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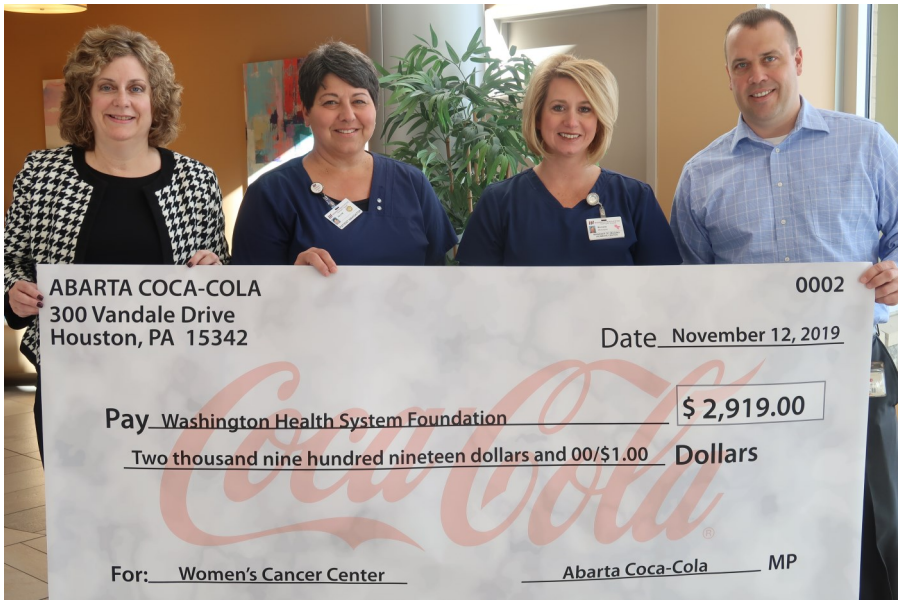
WHS Foundation Board Chairman, Jana Phillis Grimm



Employees of Abarta Coca-Cola Beverages in Houston raised $2,919 for Washington Health System's Women's Health Center during their 4th annual fundraiser for Breast Cancer Awareness. Fundraisers, organized by employee Sue Riley, included activities such as gift card and basket auctions, a 50/50 raffle, sales of t-shirts, pink ribbons and Sarris candy. Pictured are Sue Riley, Business Manager for ABARTA Coca-Cola; Alice Murphy, WHS Patient Navigator; Michelle McIlvaine, WHS Manager of Imaging; and Patrick Kennedy, ABARTA Coca-Cola Distribution Center Manager.

Linda Kelley, RN, Courtney Reis and Kelly Dadisman, WHS Obstetrics nurses, hold baby care packages that were donated recently by The South Hills Bible Chapel. Each package contained diapers and wipes wrapped up in receiving blankets. Thanks to the 7th grade youth group for their time and thoughtful gift.

Thank you for a great year! The WHS Foundation is appreciative of your investment in our mission to provide high quality health care services. At this time of year, more than any, I think of those who are not well. I think of how they must feel. If we can put a smile on their face while in the hospital or at one of our offices or outpatient facilities, then we have taken care of them both medically and as a person. Your support helps us to take care of our patients—mind, body and soul.

If you are looking to make an impact this holiday season, visit our website, call our office or mail your donation directly. Happy Holidays!!

Sara A. Schumacher, CFRE
Executive Director
Washington Health System Foundation

WHS President and CEO, Brook Ward:

This holiday season I am grateful for you and your support of our efforts to enhance services for our patients at WHS (The Washington Hospital, Washington Physician Group, and WHS Greene). Our number one goal and organizational mission is to provide Great Patient Care. Our team at WHS not only does just that but they take care of one another and our community through fundraisers, volunteering and serving on numerous committees and boards in our region. Again, thank you for supporting WHS. We are thankful for you.

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The Washington Hospital & Washington Hospital Greene

Auxiliary News

JoAnn Rodriguez Naeser and Betty DeGiovanni volunteer at the 2019 Basket Raffle!

Thank you to our Junior Volunteers for their recent donation to Children's Therapy Center. (Top row L-R) Emily Miller (Coordinator, SLP), Jennifer Kraus (PTA), Kara Landay (SLT), Brittany Stewart (COTA); (bottom row L-R) Atharv Bhave, Ashton Clark, Stephanie Keelon, Camryn Whipple, Taylor Neiberg, Veronica Lezeau, Megan Geer.

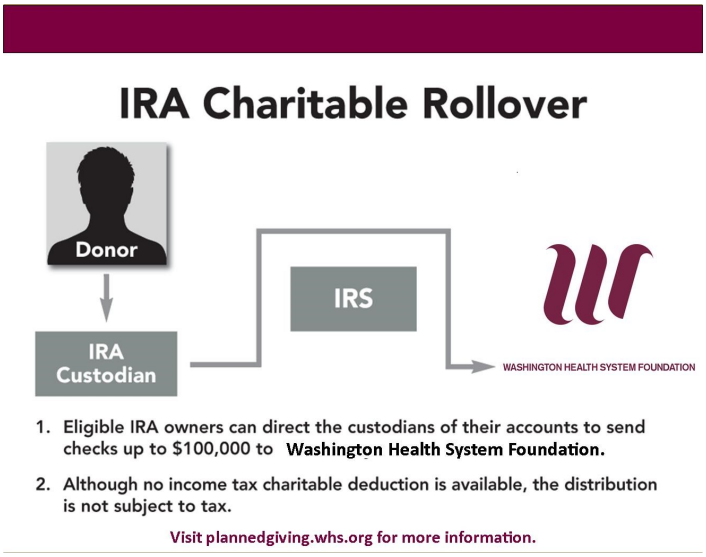
DA Neubauer and Valerie Cole volunteer at WHS Greene Lobby Shop.

Make a Gift Tax-Free With an IRA: A Tax-Saving Way to Help Washington Health System Foundation

If you are 70½ years old or older, you can take advantage of a simple way to benefit Washington Health System Foundation and receive tax benefits in return. You can give up to $100,000 from your IRA directly to a qualified charity such as ours without having to pay income taxes on the money. This popular gift option is commonly called the IRA charitable rollover, but you may also see it referred to as a qualified charitable distribution, or QCD, for short.

Why Consider This Gift?

- Your gift will be put to use today, allowing you to see the difference your donation is making.
- You pay no income taxes on the gift. The transfer generates neither taxable income nor a tax deduction, so you benefit even if you do not itemize your deductions.
- If you have not yet taken your required minimum distribution for the year, your IRA charitable rollover gift can satisfy all or part of that requirement.



FAQ's (Complete list of FAQ's at https://plannedgiving.whs.org/ira-charitable-rollover) or click here.

Q. When do I need to make my gift?

A. *We must receive your gift by Dec. 31 for your donation to qualify this year.*

Q. I have two charities I want to support. Can I give $100,000 from my IRA to each?

A. *No. Under the law, you can give a maximum of $100,000. For example, you can give each organization $50,000 this year or any other combination that totals $100,000 or less.*

Q. My spouse and I would like to give more than $100,000. How can we do that?

A. *If you have a spouse (as defined by the IRS) who is 70½ or older and has an IRA, he or she can also give up to $100,000 from his or her IRA.*

Next Steps

- Contact Ken Elliott at (724) 229-2701 or kelliott@whs.org for additional information on giving an IRA gift.
- Seek the advice of your financial or legal advisor.
- Ask your IRA administrator about making a direct transfer to the Foundation or have the administrator send a check from your account to us. (To be tax free, the donation must go directly from your account to the Foundation without passing through your hands.)
- Explore other planned giving options, including Charitable Gift Annuities that provide you with dependable income during retirement while supporting our mission, visit our online planned giving site https://plannedgiving.whs.org/.

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Michelle (Shelly) Moore, Development Coordinator, joined Washington Health System Foundation on December 9th. She has worked in the non-profit community for more than 13 years. Previously employed by the WHSF from 2008-2014, Michelle's responsibilities included grant writing, coordination of the Donor Reception, annual fund solicitation and the Employee Giving Campaign.

Michelle holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree in Marketing from the University of Pittsburgh. She is actively involved in her church and other community organizations and resides in West Alexander with her husband and two daughters.

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SPORTING CLAY SHOOT
WASHINGTON HEALTH SYSTEM FOUNDATION

Mark your calendar for next year's Clay Shoot
August 7, 2020

The 2020 Charity Ball theme is "Jockeys & Juleps!" The event will be held at the Southpointe Hilton Garden Inn on Saturday, March 28, 2020!

The proceeds of this year's Ball will be used for the Teen Outreach program. The Outreach program provides many youth focused services, including the Pregnant and Parenting Teen program, ECHO (Educate Children for Healthy Outcomes) an educational mentoring program, POWER (sexuality education in schools), Peer Education, and the Common Ground Teen Center.

Tickets will be available soon!

interested in sponsoring this event?

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Friends FOR ALL SEASONS
Washington Health System Foundation

*A **Friend for All Seasons** is a donor who supports our efforts with an automatic monthly electronic funds transfer (EFT) from a bank account or payment from a credit or debit card.*

*Become a **Friend for All Seasons** at https://3207.thankyou4caring.org or call 724-223-3875.*

the Orchard Society
of Washington Health System

***The Orchard Society** is a circle of Washington Health System Foundation donors who make annual gifts of $250 or more to support our mission to provide great patient care in our community.*

*All **Orchard Society** members are recognized on the Donor Recognition Plaque in Washington Hospital.*

the 1897 SOCIETY
of Washington Health System

***The 1897 Society** is a group of philanthropists who support Washington Health System Foundation through an initial gift of $10,000 or more over three years.*

***1897 Society** members attend exclusive recognition and educational events and are recognized on the Donor Recognition Plaque in Washington Hospital.*

WASHINGTON HEALTH SYSTEM FOUNDATION
Heritage Society

***Heritage Society** members make a lasting impact to ensure Washington Health System services continue for future generations with a planned gift. There are many options to making a planned gift, including bequests.*

Explore planned gift options at https://plannedgiving.whs.org or call 724-223-3875.

MAKE A DONATION

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We're on the web!
https://whs.org/foundation/

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Save these dates

- March 28, 2020
  89th Charity Ball
- August 7, 2020
  16th Sporting Clay Shoot

The Washington Health System Foundation is dedicated to keeping you informed and give you an "Insiders" view about what is important and relevant to you regarding our non-profit organization. This newsletter will cover information about grants, scholarships, events, and more. We believe it is valuable to not only share such information with our donors, but with employees, sponsors, and our community as well. Please share this newsletter with your friends and family. E-news bulletins will be delivered to your preferred email address by foundation@whs.org and posted on the Washington Health System Facebook page. To be removed from our newsletter list or to be added to our newsletter list, email us at foundation@whs.org We would love to receive feedback on what you thought of our newsletter! We welcome your suggestions. Please visit us at https://whs.org/foundation Email: foundation@whs.org

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WASHINGTON HEALTH SYSTEM FOUNDATION

Mission Statement

The mission of Washington Health System Foundation is to generate present and future charitable resources to support Washington Health System in providing high quality health care services to the people it serves.

TELL YOUR STORY

Everyone has a story inside of them that can inspire another person

Will you share yours?

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