

# Annual Report 2024



*Baby Ray, 9*  
St. Louis Children's Champion





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## Dear Friends,

Our mission to *do what's right for kids* is what guides each one of us every day. But it takes a large team to ensure we are transforming child health now and in the future. In 2024, St. Louis Children's Hospital cared for the largest number of kids ever in our 146-year history, which means we served more than 270,000 children in our hospital, specialty care clinics, after hours convenient care, and mobile community programs. Our biggest supporters, including donors like you, stand with us as we work to make health care available to every child.

2024 was an incredible year for St. Louis Children's Hospital Foundation, including the best fundraising year in Foundation history. Several transformational gifts to funding priorities, including community programs and pediatric research, accelerated the sustainability of vital child health initiatives. These gifts help ensure every child can receive world-class care. Enclosed in this year's report are stories of success and perseverance, none of which would have happened without your generosity. Thank you for your unwavering support and partnership as we make historic advances in child health.

Warm Regards,

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St. Louis Children's Champion

To learn more about the St. Louis Children's Hospital patients featured in this publication, please visit [StLouisChildrensChampions.org](https://StLouisChildrensChampions.org).





## #1 Children's Hospital in St. Louis

For 16 consecutive years, St. Louis Children's Hospital and its physician partners at WashU Medicine have been ranked among America's Best Children's Hospitals by *U.S. News & World Report*.

St. Louis Children's is nationally ranked in 10 pediatric specialties evaluated by the report—more than any children's hospital in the region—exemplifying its extraordinary breadth of expertise. New this year, *U.S. News & World Report* recognized the top 50 children's hospitals—including St. Louis Children's—in the area of behavioral health.

St. Louis Children's is the sole pediatric teaching hospital for WashU Medicine, a partnership that unlocks incredible opportunities for collaboration and research. The WashU Medicine Department of Pediatrics is one of only a few Child Health Research Centers nationwide. St. Louis Children's is also the only children's hospital within BJC HealthCare, one of the largest nonprofit healthcare organizations in the nation.

St. Louis Children's is one of only 8% of hospitals in the U.S. that have achieved American Nurses Credentialing Center Magnet Recognition®. The Magnet Recognition Program® recognizes quality patient care, nursing excellence, and innovations in professional nursing practice and is the highest national honor for professional nursing practice.

## St. Louis Children's Hospital—2024 by the Numbers



**273,084**  
unique patients served

**47,081**

emergency department visits

**16,772**

surgical procedures



**75** transplants

Heart: 12

Lung: 2

Liver: 12

Kidney: 11

Bone Marrow: 38



**465**

licensed hospital beds

Patients served from all

**50** states and  
**44** countries



**85**

languages/dialects interpreted

**27,978**

non-English spoken encounters

**445**

sign language encounters

**587**

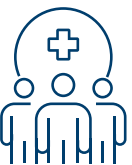
international patient encounters

**906,660**

total interpreted minutes

**4,503**

St. Louis Children's  
employees



**941**

WashU Medicine  
attending  
physicians

**2,599**

trips by the transport team



**38,049**

volunteer hours  
logged by **553** volunteers

### Growing with Our Community

St. Louis Children's Hospital continues to grow to meet the needs of children and their families and is currently the ninth largest pediatric hospital in the country with 465 beds. However, the need for additional space continues to be a high priority, and there are plans to increase bed space over the next five years.



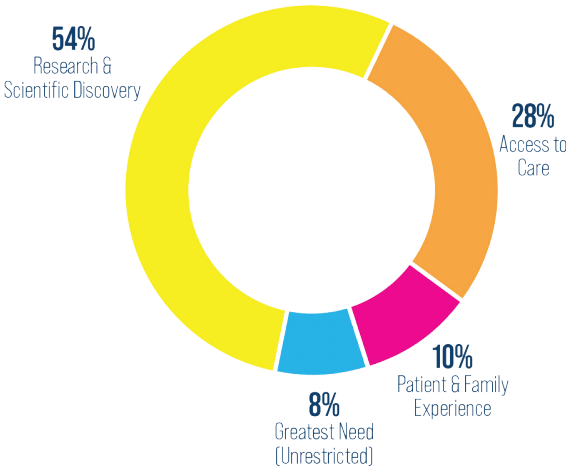
# Together We Will Do What's Right for Kids

Your unwavering support—your commitment to the youngest among us—makes St. Louis Children’s a beacon of hope. Because of you, the smallest hearts have been healed, lifesaving transplants performed, and once-inoperable tumors removed. Today, thanks to friends like you, diabetic emergencies are prevented, and childhood cancers are cured. Since 1993, St. Louis Children’s Hospital Foundation has provided essential funding for pediatric health. From community initiatives to family support and groundbreaking research, your generosity transforms lives. In 2024, the Foundation raised a record-breaking \$138 million, ensuring we can continue our mission to *do what’s right for kids*.

## 2024 Dollars Raised and Dollars Granted

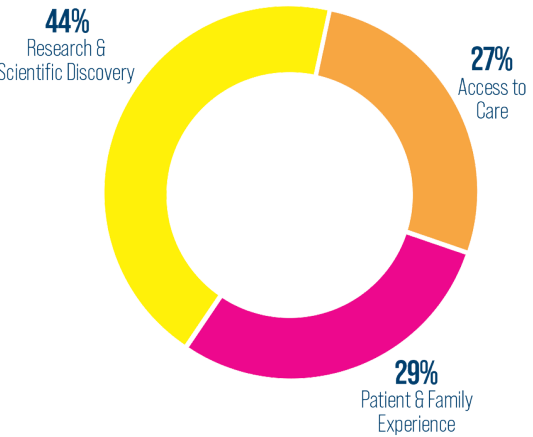
### Dollars Raised

Access to Care	\$39,259,699.36
Research and Scientific Discovery	\$74,628,549.31
Patient and Family Experience	\$13,296,433.73
Greatest Need (Unrestricted)	\$11,025,922.11
<b>Total Dollars Raised</b>	<b>\$138,210,674.51*</b>



### Dollars Granted

Access to Care	\$8,300,000
Research and Scientific Discovery	\$8,700,000
Patient and Family Experience	\$13,500,000
<b>Total Dollars Granted</b>	<b>\$30,500,000</b>



\*Includes revocable deferred gifts

## The Foundation—2024 by the Numbers



**9,350**  
total donors

**8,659**  
individual donors

**174**  
corporate donors

**379**  
community organization donors

**109**  
foundation donors



**133**  
grants awarded



**\$2,273,825**

gross revenue from signature events:  
Table Tops Spring Event,  
Joe Buck Golf Classic,  
St. Louis Children’s Hospital Day  
at Six Flags, and Play Date



**\$3,285,841**

raised from **80** third-party  
and community events



**283**

established endowments



**1,700**  
employees donated

**\$115,000**

through the employee giving campaign

## The Role of Endowments

Donations to St. Louis Children’s Hospital Foundation provide vital funding to all areas of child health—from community health initiatives to wraparound patient family support and groundbreaking research. Endowments provide a permanent source of income to support these endeavors in perpetuity. In 2024, 32% of the dollars granted to St. Louis Children’s and WashU Medicine were funded through endowments. Transformative gifts to our endowments help sustain funding—now and in the future—to ensure St. Louis Children’s remains a leader in child health in our community, the nation, and the world.





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St. Louis Children's Champion

# You Make the Impossible, Possible

Your gift is more than a donation. It's a promise to every child fighting for a healthier future. Thanks to your support, world-renowned researchers at WashU Medicine are turning hope into healing, pushing the boundaries of what's possible in pediatric care and transforming what we know into what we can do—for every child who needs a miracle.

## A New Era for Children with Rare Diseases

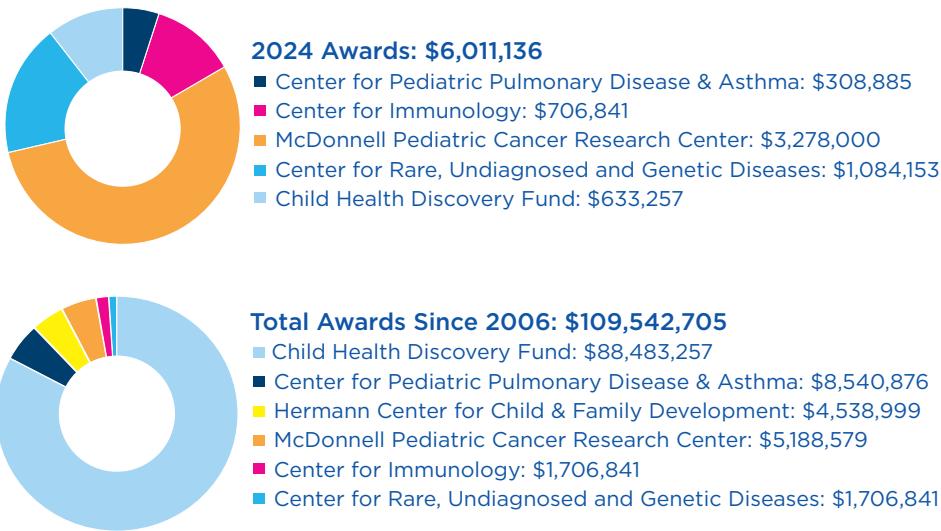
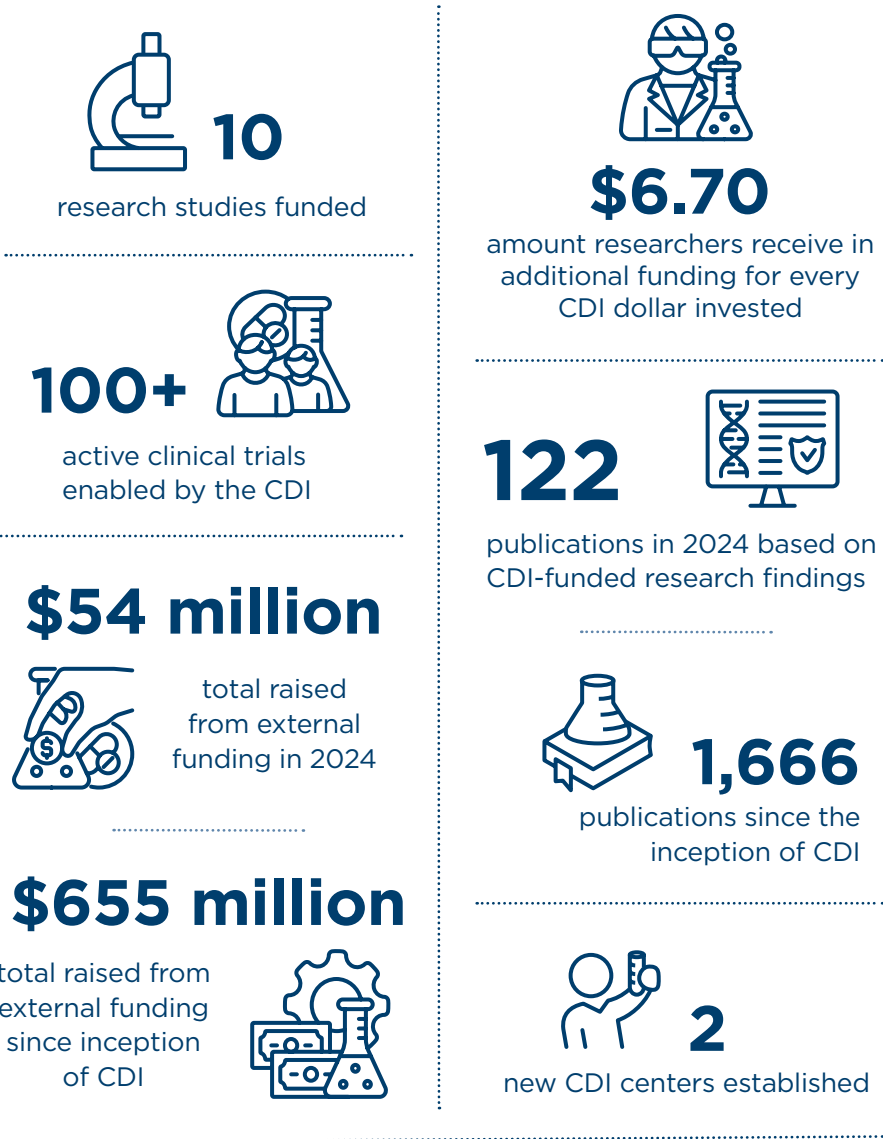
Together, St. Louis Children's and WashU Medicine are taking on a new endeavor that will revolutionize patient care and bring incredible outcomes to children with a wide range of conditions and complex illnesses. Families with children suffering from rare disorders face an all-too-often long and arduous journey from discovery to diagnosis to therapy. It is not unusual for this journey to span three or even four decades.

Through generous donor support, the St. Louis Children's Hospital Foundation established the Center for Rare, Undiagnosed and Genetic Diseases within the Children's Discovery Institute (CDI) in 2024. This highly anticipated Center not only provides the first-ever medical home for patients with rare diseases but also serves as a resource for clinical trials, education, and support. The Center helps physicians and their patients gain access to experimental therapies and streamlines the paperwork that often grinds this process to a halt.

Led by WashU Medicine geneticist Patricia Dickson, MD, the Center aims to close the gaps in the diagnostic journey of patients with rare diseases by fostering collaboration between disciplines and investing in cutting-edge technology that will spur innovation. In parallel, providing immediate funding for genetic testing that is not currently covered in clinical practice allows the Center to make an immediate difference for those who have not yet received a diagnosis. We envision a world in which we can accurately diagnose and effectively treat genetic diseases as soon as a child is born. This Center is helping make that a reality.

Because of valuable donor investment in the Center, physician-scientists and the Center will accelerate emerging research on rare childhood conditions—uncovering new therapies, treatments, and answers so desperately sought by so many families.

## Research & Discovery—2024 by the Numbers



## THE IMPORTANCE OF ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS

An endowed professorship is more than just a designation, title, or name on a plaque. Because of the groundbreaking research and clinical care led by our endowed faculty, children at St. Louis Children's receive the absolute best standard of care. Families find comfort and support, and kids have the chance just to be kids, even when facing chronic or life-limiting illnesses.

- 4 endowed professorships installed in 2024
- Anthony R. French, MD, PhD, Professor in Pediatrics
- Megan A. Cooper, MD, PhD
- Louis Larrick Ward, Professor of Pediatrics
- Andrew C. Glatz, MD, MSCE
- Elizabeth H. and James S. McDonnell III, Professor in Pediatric Hematology/Oncology
- Jeffrey Magee, MD, PhD
- Fred M. Saigh Distinguished Chair in Pediatric Research
- Allison King, MD, MPH, PhD





# Bringing Care Closer for *Every* Child

Every child deserves to be seen, heard, and cared for no matter where they live or what challenges they face. At St. Louis Children's Hospital, we are able to bring that promise to life not only within our walls but in the community—inside our Healthy Kids Express mobile units, at local hubs, and in schools where behavioral health support is so urgently needed. This reach, this impact, is only possible because of you. Your generosity extends our care beyond the hospital, opening doors to hope, healing, and a healthier future for children across St. Louis.

## Miles of Impact: Historic Gift Expands Mobile Healthcare for the Children of St. Louis

St. Louis Children's Hospital is one large step closer to sustaining Healthy Kids Express—the region's only free, comprehensive, and regularly scheduled mobile health units—thanks to generous donations from a well-known partner.

Transformational investments by the Crawford Taylor Foundation, Enterprise Mobility Foundation, and members of the Taylor and Kindle families reflect a shared commitment to the hospital's advocacy and outreach programs. The Taylor family, owners of St. Louis-based Enterprise Mobility, are known for their long-standing generosity to our region. Their support turns the hospital's mission to *do what's right for kids* into impactful, community-based action.

The \$38 million gift will launch an endowment to ensure Healthy Kids Express is fully funded by St. Louis Children's Hospital Foundation, providing long-term financial sustainability. These programs deliver essential health services and education to families across the St. Louis region—free of charge—thanks to donor support.

Since 2010, the Healthy Kids Express – Dental Program has delivered vital dental care in underserved neighborhoods, serving children who often qualify for free or reduced lunch and Medicaid. A full-time dentist and two assistants provide dental exams, X-rays, restorative care, cleanings with fluoride or sealants, education, and follow-up procedures like fillings, crowns, and extractions—all within a year of the patient's first visit.





## Access to Care—2024 by the Numbers

 **14,039**

children served through community programs and services:


camps; Healthy Kids Express; Healthy Kids, Healthy Minds; Raising St. Louis; Safety Street; and the Teen Outreach Program (TOP)

**45**   
zip codes served by the community health advocacy and outreach team

 **2,972**  
virtual behavioral health therapy sessions for students

**3,912**   
in-person behavioral health therapy sessions for students

**29,706**   
visits to Healthy Kids, Healthy Minds school nurses


**326**  campers  
Camp Crescent: **37** campers  
Camp Independence: **92** campers  
Camp Rhythm: **140** campers  
Camp Stepping Stones: **57** campers

**5** 

Healthy Kids Express mobile units in service:

**1** asthma, **2** dental, **1** diabetes, **1** screening

### Healthy Kids Express Asthma

 **749**  
unique students provided asthma services

**20,591**   
in-person visits and virtual visits

### Healthy Kids Express Dental

 **1,462**  
dental exams


**10,489**   
dental procedures

### Healthy Kids Express Diabetes

**158** students served from **9** school districts

 **399**   
in-person visits


### Healthy Kids Express Screening

 **3,499**  
students provided screening services

**16,670**   
in-person visits

**1,417**   
children served through TOP

**160**   
partnering schools, daycares, and community organizations providing care for children

 **11,452** encounters  
by **2,749** students through the SPOT

 **674**  
children served through Safety Stop



# Your Generosity Reaches Families Near and Far

Families travel from across the country—and around the world—to St. Louis Children's Hospital because of our unwavering commitment to providing every child with extraordinary care.

Thanks to your generous support, we're able to go beyond medicine. Your gifts make it possible to offer comprehensive, wraparound services that comfort, guide, and support patients and their families through every step of their journeys. From emotional care to practical resources, your compassion ensures no family faces their challenges alone. Because of you, we can deliver not just expert care but true healing.



NICU patient Andrew and his mom, Meredith.

## Families Come First

Having a child in the hospital is a stressful experience for any family. For families of newborns in our Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU), fear and anxiety can overshadow what they expected to be joyful first days or months at home.

Many parents must divide their precious time between bonding with their child in the NICU, recovering from giving birth, managing infant medical care, continuing to work to support their families, and caring for older children or other family members at home. Often, it just isn't possible to do it all.

Thanks to generous funding from the St. Louis Blues, the AngelEye CameraSystem was secured in 2024 to help ease that impossible burden. These bedside cameras give families the ability to see their new baby at any time. NICU staff can provide one-way, real-time photos and video to family members on a password-protected site. Families can easily access AngelEye through a free app on any computer, tablet, or smartphone—and it is also secure and compliant with patient privacy regulations.

This technology instantly eases worry for families and improves communication with medical staff.

A recent study showed that with AngelEye in place, parent communication improved from 45% to 82%. For those caregivers without a device at home, St. Louis Children's Hospital loans out an iPad so that every family can utilize this technology.

"Thanks to the generous support of Blues partners, fans, and players, we are incredibly proud to have fully funded the AngelEye CameraSystem for the NICU at St. Louis Children's Hospital through the annual Blues for Kids Casino Night," says Randy Girsch, vice president, Community Development and Event Management for the St. Louis Blues. "This technology will give parents the comfort of being able to see and connect with their little ones, even when they can't be at the hospital. We are fortunate to have such an amazing institution like St. Louis Children's Hospital in our community, and moments like this remind us of the incredible power of a unified effort."

## Patient and Family Experience—2024 by the Numbers



**119,662**

visits to the Center for Families

**18,781** loads of laundry done

**7,366** showers taken

**5,468** toiletries distributed

**3,249** times quiet/rest area was utilized

**45,613** snacks and beverages provided

**400** take-home meals supplied

**5,000**

families supported by the Family Care Fund



**TRI MY BEST**

**60** Tri My Best Adaptive Triathlon athletes

**39,720**



Child Life Services interactions, including holidays, patient activities, community outings, expressive therapy and playroom sessions, patient rewards, and trips to the schoolroom



**6,476**

expressive therapy sessions (art, music, dance movement)

**7,502**



visits to/from the schoolroom



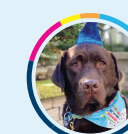
**22,553**

visits to the playroom, teen lounge, and sibling playroom, as well as bedside play sessions

**110,301**



patients, families, and staff interacted with **54** Purina Paws for Hope therapy dogs



**1,809**

patient interactions with Duo Dog Casey

**1,284**

patient interactions with Duo Dog Opal



**38**

visits to the Purina Family Pet Center

**1,602**

patients enjoyed pet-based special events in the Purina Family Pet Center





# Lighting the Way

Through a heartfelt bequest, Jenny and Woody Wood ensured their love for St. Louis Children's Hospital will shine on—supporting future patients and families for generations to come.



When 98-year-old Jenny Wood thinks of the fondest memories in her life, she attributes many of them to St. Louis Children's Hospital. Born in Indiana, she and her husband, Woody, moved to St. Louis and raised their two children, Steven and Patricia. Unfortunately, Steven passed away at the age of 22, but his passing prompted Jenny to get involved with St. Louis Children's Hospital Auxiliary. Her first volunteer role was in the gift shop, but she quickly learned she was better suited for patient-family interactions in the various hospital clinics.

Jenny has always loved getting to know the kids and the families, and she wanted to do something spectacular. She approached the Auxiliary's Board of Directors to pitch an idea for a holiday light festival and was turned down. With her second presentation the following year, she was granted permission to proceed. In 1983, Love Light was brought to life. Woody's company sent a cherry picker and crew to help hang lights outside the hospital. He also asked the hospital

staff to create a giant switch for the lighting ceremony—the same switch still used to light up the hospital 42 years later. Jenny and Woody had truly created something magical for the St. Louis Children's patients and families.

Even after Jenny and Woody moved to Florida, she stayed involved. A lifetime member of the Friends of St. Louis Children's Hospital, she knew that leaving St. Louis didn't mean walking away from a place that had given her so much joy. After much discussion, the Woods decided to commit a charitable bequest to the Foundation that will establish the Jean and Maurice Wood Music Therapy Endowment. "I hope it does a little bit of good," Jenny says about the gift she and Woody, who passed away in 2014, made to ensure they would leave a lasting impact beyond their lifetimes. She encourages others to make a planned gift before it's too late. "I hope people who get to know St. Louis Children's will feel the same way that we did."

## St. Louis Children's Hospital Legacy Society Members

Through the Legacy Society, we recognize those who have made a commitment to the future of St. Louis Children's Hospital in their estate plan.

- Anonymous

Helen Aff-Drum\*

Dorothy & Bill\* Albers in memory of K Susie Martin

Marian Alexander\*

Diana Allen

Elaine Allen\*

Susan and Joel\* Allen

Karla and Hans Ambos

Catherine and Mohamad\* Amjad, MD

Mary Ann and Bill Anderson

Janice and Jack Bailey

John Baird\*

Jean DiLorenzo
- Ralph and Leona Barkey\*

Frances Bartell Phelps\*

Albert Bass\*

Raymond Battaglia\*

Renee and Andrew Bell

Tom Bennett\*

James G. Berges and Elizabeth Mannen Berges

Laura and Malcolm Berry

Marian Beyer\*

Kathleen Bilderback

William Bixby\*

Marion and Van-Lear\* Black III

Mary Blotna\*

Ruth and Surya Bodapati, MD

- Kathleen Bohbrink\*

Milford\* and Lee Bohm

Betty Brittain\*

Gail and Steve Broughton

Marcella Brown\*

Barbara Bruner\*

Robert Bruns\*

Mary Jane Buchanan\*

Kate and Dale Cammon

Anne and Vincent Cannella

Brenda and Richard\* Caravia

Mildred Carr\*

Maxine Clark and Robert Fox

Mr. and Mrs. James Cohen\*

Mary F. Coles\*
- Mary and James Corbett

Kyle and Amy Cordes

Catherine H. Cortright

Joan Cosbey\*

Rita Coulter\*

Terry Cox\*

Daniel Creston

Mark H. Critchfield

Donald Cummins

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Jamie and Aaron Curtis

Jennifer and Stephen Davis

Monica and Robert Decker

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- Theodore Desloge Jr.\*

Marcella Deuser\*

Morton Deutch\*

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David Dodge

Billie Drakes\*

Laverne A. Doelling\*

Danny's Dreams

Kay and Leo\* Drey

Dolores Ehlers\*

Marilyn Eisen\*

Ronald Eisenbath\*

Judith\* and Richard Engelsmann

Evelyn Evans\*

Eleanor Falcetta\*

Jeff Faust

Irene Fehr\*

Milton Fehr\*

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Daisy Gutman\*

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Mark Hanneke

Dorothy Hanpeter\*

Lewis Hardy\*

Dorothea and Howard Hebebrand\*

Zena Hellman\*

Leonard Hemsath\*

Robert and Signa Hermann Jr.

Dorothy Herweg\*

John Hill, in honor of Ann Linkogle (Hill-Rintoul)

Nelda and Conrad\* Hinckley

- Kristen and Brian Hogan

Audrey Holdsworth

Carol and Gerald Holmdahl

Roger Hubele\*

Fred Hubert\*

Christine Huffman\*

Kimberly A. Hume

Kenneth Ianke

Marie Jacobs

Joseph William Janda\*

Arvalla Jaycox\*

Carrie and Jeff Johnson

Suzanne and James L. Johnson III

Henry Johnston\*

Sally C. Johnston

Robert Kennard\*

John Kennedy

Jean Kerner\*

Randall C. Kinder\*

Nick Kiriakos\*

Shelly and Randy Klohmann

Robert Klopmeier\*

Luella Koblitz\*

Inez Koch\*

Kenneth Koerner\*

Jerry Kovac

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Larry Lahay\*

Mary and Oliver Langenberg\*

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Betty Moses\*

Laura Mosey

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Warren Opfer\* and Edward Rensing

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Marjorie and Larry Rhutasel

Larry Richoz\*

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Rebecca Mae Robertson\*

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Frank Ruf\*

Bob Ruff in honor of Elliott Ruff

Elizabeth Russell

Elizabeth Russell\*

Louis Russo\*

Samuel C. Sachs\*

Oliver A. Scheele\*

Lisa and Allen Schmale

Michael F. Schmersahl\*

Barbara and Michael Schmidt

Bradley and Lauren Schmidt

Eula Schmidt\*

Ruth Schmidt\*

Stephanie and Thomas Schmidt Family

Marilyn Schnuck\*

Robert E. Schoor and Joan Luttig Schoor\*

Deborah and Ralph Schrader

Ruth E. Schroeder\*

Elsie Schumacher\*

- Lester Schwartzkopf\*

Jon Dean Scott\*

Sharon and John Scott

Pearl Sellenriek\*

Francine and Jerome\* Seslen

Sharon R. Shahid

Joel and Janet Sheridan

Mary Jane Shick\*

Evie and Jim Shucart

Albert Simpkins\*

Susie and Joe Sivewright

Margaret Slayton\*

Mabel Smartt\*

Karin and Sidney Smith

Helen Smith\*

Sidney and Sylvia Souers\*

Doug and Danielle Standish

Leona Stanford Vollintine\*

Julia and Douglas Stanley

Bet and Jack Stapleton

Arlou and Don Steele Family

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C. Jack Steinhardt\*

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Peggy Symes

Katherine Tharp

Mary Ann Thole\*

Michelle Trulaske

Arline Turman\*

Mat Madison Turner

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Laurie and Ray Van de Riet

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Minnie Maurine Walters\*

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Barbara B. Warner, MD, and Brad\* W. Warner, MD

Mary Weber\*

Paul Wellman\*, in memory of Kent Rentfro

Thomas Werne\*

Kelly and John Whicker

Eugene Wilson\*

Edith Wolff\*

Jean Wood

Adrian Woods\*

Hugo Wurdack\*

Karen Yang

Sandi Young

Aleene Zawada\*

Mary Zwetschke\*

\*In remembrance



# Because of You, Hope Shines *Brighter*

At St. Louis Children’s Hospital, every child’s smile, every step forward, and every moment of healing is made possible because of you. Your generosity is more than a gift—it’s a lifeline. It brings comfort to families facing the unthinkable, strength to kids fighting tough battles, and hope to entire communities.

Because of you, we can invest in lifesaving technologies, reach more children through community programs, and provide the compassionate, world-class care every child deserves. Your support also fuels the groundbreaking research that’s unlocking new treatments and brighter futures. Thank you for standing with us and for helping us *do what’s right for kids*—today, tomorrow, and always.



Kaitlin, a patient at St. Louis Children’s Hospital with a rare muscle condition, inspired this year’s 23rd annual Joe Buck Golf Classic at Old Warson Country Club. The event raised a record-breaking \$878,000 to support the expansion of the Joe Buck Imaging Center.

St. Louis Children’s Hospital Foundation is honored to recognize the generous and inspirational philanthropists whose cumulative giving totals \$1 million or greater.

**\$50,000,000 +**

Mr. and Mrs. James S. McDonnell III

**\$25,000,000–\$49,999,999**

Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals of Greater St. Louis  
Crawford Taylor Foundation

**\$5,000,000–\$24,999,999**

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The Dana Brown Charitable Trust  
Emerson  
Mildred and Eugene Godfrey\*  
Hauck Charitable Foundation  
Dorothea and Howard Hebebrand\*  
Robert and Signa Hermann Jr.  
Anita and John O’Connell Family  
Pedal the Cause  
Frank Ruf\*  
The Saigh Foundation  
Harriet and Hermann Spoehrer\*  
Barbara and Andrew Taylor  
Chrissy Taylor and Lee Broughton  
Patricia A. Taylor  
Alan A. and Edith L. Wolff\*

**\$1,000,000–\$4,999,999**

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The Albrecht Family  
Ameren  
Anheuser-Busch  
Apex Holding Company  
Jackie and Randy Baker  
Joseph and Elizabeth Bascom\*  
Berges Family Foundation  
Blues For Kids Foundation  
The Boeing Company  
Betty Brittain\*  
The Callum Foundation  
Maxine Clark and Robert Fox  
The Danforth Foundation  
Theodore Desloge Jr.\*  
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Rick and Carol Short, better known as Bop and Grandmama to their five grandchildren, made a transformative impact as lead supporters of our first-ever Grandparents Campaign, generously offering a \$1 million match for gifts made last June in honor of grandparents or grandchildren. Their inspiring commitment helped us raise nearly \$2.2 million from 278 donors to support some of the hospital's most urgent needs. Thanks to the Shorts' leadership, this campaign not only met but exceeded its goal, and we look forward to building on its success in 2025.



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Charles Windsor (pictured above with his wife, Lisa) has been a dedicated advocate for St. Louis Children's Hospital since joining the Board of Trustees in 2013. He served as Foundation Board Chair for four years, providing steady leadership and a strong commitment to our mission. Charles was instrumental in launching the Board Alumni Social event, fostering ongoing engagement among past Foundation board members. He consistently puts the needs of our patients first, remains a thoughtful steward of donor contributions, and is a true champion of St. Louis Children's Hospital.

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**SEPT**  
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*St. Louis Children's  
Hospital Day at  
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### Six Flags St. Louis

Join us for an exclusive event at Six Flags St. Louis. With a limited number of tickets sold, guests will enjoy shorter lines during this night of fun! Complimentary dinner will be served in the Six Flags World's Fair Grove, and drinks and music will be on the parent patio. Guests can also feast on unlimited complimentary popcorn, soda, pretzels, lemonade, funnel cakes, and ice cream. All arcade and video games are discounted, and merchandise in select shops will be 40% off.

SAT  
**NOV**  
15

*Play Date*



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Play Date, the signature annual gala benefiting St. Louis Children's Hospital, is headed into its 12th year. This event turns the typical black-tie gala on its head, encouraging adult guests to enjoy a fun, interactive evening and remember the joys of childhood. Each year, Play Date has a new theme accompanied by exciting interactive games and activities, followed by a seated dinner, program, and fantastic after-party with live music.