



Next Generation Surgery

Mackinac Straits Health System is proud to introduce the arrival of the da Vinci 5 (DV5) robotic surgical system, a groundbreaking advancement in surgical care. This highly sophisticated technology is designed to give surgeons greater precision, control, and versatility when performing complex or delicate procedures—ultimately benefiting patients with safer surgeries and quicker recoveries.

The DV5 is equipped with Force Feedback technology, allowing surgeons to feel the pressure they apply to tissue during procedures. This innovation helps ensure gentler techniques, which ensures a less invasive procedure and improved healing. In addition, the system offers 3D high-definition visualization, enhanced arm dexterity, and an ergonomic design, all of which work together to improve outcomes and elevate patient care.

The addition of the DV5 reflects our continued commitment to bringing the latest medical technology to our community, ensuring that patients have access to world-class care, close to home.

**Foundation
Grant
Highlights**

TOTAL GRANTS
AWARDED IN 2025
\$262,215

TOTAL
FUNDS RAISED
FOR NO CANCER
PATIENT LEFT BEHIND
PROGRAM
\$401,000

TOTAL GRANTS
AWARDED SINCE
THE FOUNDATION'S
INCEPTION IN 2014
\$4,200,795

Your Impact at a Glance

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Shining Star Program

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Annual Economic Impact



SALARIES & WAGES
\$28,363,792



EMPLOYEE BENEFITS
\$10,983,699



CAPITAL INVESTMENTS
\$13,453,498



JOBS FOR THE STRAITS AREA
400+



Dear Friends and Supporters,

As we end the year, we reflect on the meaningful role we play in caring for our rural communities. Rural care matters, and because of your support, we continue to make a difference each and every day.

Rural health care providers across the country continue to navigate obstacles. Federal reductions, work force constraints, rising operational costs, from medical supplies to technology, continue to outpace reimbursement rates. Additional financial pressures come with serving a small, widely dispersed population. These challenges are real, and they demonstrate just how critical community partnership truly is.

Addressing these challenges requires resilience and innovation. We continue to meet patients where they are, through telehealth, new care-delivery models, and collaborations that stretch limited resources further. It also means investing in equipment and care coordination tools that help us deliver high-quality care efficiently.

Despite the challenges, together we have made remarkable progress. We have expanded services, strengthened partnerships, and made critical investments in the future of rural healthcare. From improving access to primary care and bringing new specialists to the Straits area, each step has been made possible because of the strong community support.

Your generosity helps ensure that no one must travel far to receive quality care, and that every member of our community, regardless of age, income, or circumstance, has the opportunity to access care close to home when they need it.

Your willingness to invest in local health care reflects a belief in the value of rural living and the importance of keeping care close to home. It is because of your commitment that we can continue to recruit talented providers and employees, update vital equipment, and expand programs that meet real, everyday needs.

We are grateful for your generosity, your partnership, and your belief in our mission to provide quality, accessible care for our community. We are proud to serve this community, and proud to do it alongside you.

Thank you for your commitment to healthcare,



Margaret Doud
Foundation Chair

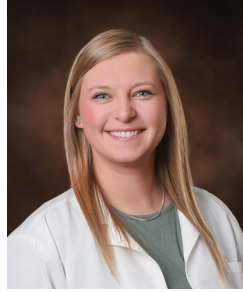


Karen Cheeseman
President & Chief Executive Officer

Expanding Care Close to Home



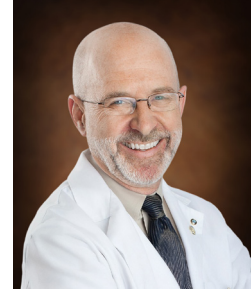
Savannah Barthelemy, CPNP-PC



Monica Schrage, DNP



Kyle Waisanen, MD



John Moffat, MD

As healthcare continues to advance, we remain committed to expanding specialized services close to home. This year, we welcomed three new providers, **Savannah Barthelemy, CPNP-PC**, **Monica Schrage, DNP**, and **Kyle Waisanen, MD**, whose expertise strengthens the care available to our region. Additionally, we opened the Advanced Wound Center, led by **John Moffat, MD**, who has been part of the team since 2023.

Savannah brings advanced pediatric training and hands-on experience caring for children and families. Dr. Moffat and the Wound Center team specialize in care for chronic or difficult-to-heal wounds, using advanced therapies and individualized treatment plans to promote faster healing and improved quality of life. Monica joined our Oncology Department with a strong background in adult gerontology and rural healthcare. Dr. Waisanen broadens our urology services by providing comprehensive urology care, including diagnosis, treatment, and minimally invasive surgery.

We are pleased to welcome these providers and look forward to the positive impact their expertise will bring to our patients and community.

Investing in Advanced Care

Thanks to donor generosity, the Foundation provided key grants for new equipment, ensuring essential upgrades to enhance patient care and strengthening critical services throughout our community.



da Vinci 5
Surgical Robot
\$200,000



Hercules Patient
Repositioning System
\$26,445



Everwell Patient
Experience Solution
\$9,777



RQI Simulation Station
\$25,993

Charity Care Impact Report

The Health System is committed to ensuring that everyone in our community has access to essential health services, regardless of their financial situation. Through our charity care program, we provide free or discounted care to patients who are unable to pay for medically necessary treatment. **This program reflects our mission to provide access and quality healthcare to the families and communities we serve.** In fiscal year 2025, our commitment exceeded \$871,000 in charity care support.



\$871,877
CHARITY CARE SUPPORT



0.7%

GROSS PATIENT REVENUE



1.3%

NET PATIENT REVENUE



Pictured is a group of our recent Shining Star employees.

The Shining Star Program: Gratitude in Action

We are pleased to share the launch of our Shining Star Program, a new initiative that gives grateful patients and families a meaningful way to honor the caregivers who made a difference in their lives. Thanks to the generosity and engagement of supporters like you, this program helps celebrate the exceptional compassion, skill, and dedication that define Mackinac Straits Health System.

When an employee is nominated as a Shining Star, they receive a commemorative gift and are recognized across the Health System for their remarkable service. These expressions of gratitude not only uplift individual team members, they also strengthen a culture of caring that your support helps make possible.

Programs like Shining Star shine a light on extraordinary care—and your partnership helps ensure these stories are celebrated.

The Power of Our Team 2025 EMPLOYEE GIVING



Our Services, Our Impact

From compassionate caregivers to advanced facilities, this overview highlights how we serve the Straits area.



400+
EMPLOYEES



77
MEDICAL STAFF

IN 2025, MACKINAC STRAITS HEALTH SYSTEM TREATED:



8,301
EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT VISITS



160,288
LABORATORY & RADIOLOGY PROCEDURES



734
HOSPITAL STAYS



2,531
SURGICAL PROCEDURES



33,693
PHYSICIAN OFFICE VISITS



19,177
REHAB THERAPY VISITS

Closing the Gap in Rural Health

Residents of rural communities face unique health challenges, including shorter lifespans, higher rates of heart disease, and increased risk of stroke. To help close this gap, Mackinac Straits Health System has joined the American Heart Association's Rural Health Care Outcomes Accelerator, gaining access to clinical expertise, evidence-based guidelines, and resources designed for rural patients. Through this initiative, our team collaborates with leaders nationwide to share best practices, advance research, and improve outcomes. We are proud to be recognized with two national awards for 2025 – Silver for Rural Coronary Artery Disease STEMI and Bronze for NSTEMI-ACS—reflecting our dedication to providing top quality care and helping our community live longer, healthier lives.



Celebrating Community Support

Throughout 2025, key events such as Hooping for a Cure, the Healthy Partners Luncheon, the 'Moie Brown Memorial' Run for the Health of It, and the Jewel at Mackinac Golf Tournament showcased extraordinary generosity in support of local healthcare. Collectively, these gatherings raised significant funds for cancer support, new technologies, and expanded rural health services.



Charitable Giving Through an IRA

Charitable giving through an individual retirement account (IRA) has become an increasingly popular way to make donations. New tax laws and a growing awareness of the benefits of giving through IRAs has attributed to the growth in this type of giving.

One of the reasons it has become so popular is because it can be done tax-free. During a time of increased demands on the services nonprofits provide, charitable giving can make a huge difference close to home. More people are realizing that giving this way can be impactful for the community and be beneficial to the donor.

Donating IRA funds to charity through a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) may yield the biggest tax bang for your charitable dollar.

There are a few simple requirements for an IRA distribution gift.

1. The check must not pass through the donor's hands
2. The check must be written by the custodian of the IRA directly to the charity, which must be a qualifying charity other than a donor advised fund or private foundation
3. You will need an acknowledgement form from the charity for the gift.

**Mackinac Straits Health Foundation qualifies on all counts. Those looking to make charitable donations through an IRA distribution should contact their tax professional, as the benefits could be substantial.*

SCAN THIS CODE WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE TO MAKE A SECURE DONATION TO MSHF!

We've made donating easier!



TOTAL
DONORS

409

TOTAL
DONATIONS

599

FUNDS
SUPPORTED

13

IN-KIND GIFTS

\$17,359

CHARITABLE
FUND GIFTS

\$134,100

TOTAL AMOUNT
DONATED

\$460,603

Recognizing Our Donors Who Power Our Mission

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Windermere Hotel

2025 Employee Giving Campaign

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Rocky Newman
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Faith Seewald

Lindsey Sheber
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Lynann Spencley
Robyn Spring
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Kate Sulitis
Beverly Tafoya
Laura Tribisoni
Samantha Wheeler

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In Memory of James Bond

Meagan Adams
Deborah Tokarz

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In Memory of George Burrows

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Nick Smart

In Memory of Lynn Hotrum

Amy Baker

In Memory of Jean Huskey

Dave & Pat Ramsay

In Memory of Patty Krause

Mackinac Straits Health
System

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In Memory of Cindy Pierson

Cheeseman Family

In Memory of Daniel Pontow

James & Kimberly North

In Honor of Kathleen Silva

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Nick Smart

In Memory of John Stanford

Sharon Stanford

In Memory of Gladys Tamlyn

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2025 Hooping for a Cure

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Howard & Kathy Cole
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Marcie Danielson
Lara Daniv
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Al & Lori Ehrbar
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Family of Margaret Lester

Greg & Lani Fetting
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Charlie & Karen Fowler
Bill & Angela Fraser
Fred's UP North Dining
Freddie's 499
David & Denise Freed
Chandra Furi
The Gady Family
Garlyn Zoo
John & Anne Gault
Kristi Graham
Aaron & Courtney Grant
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James & Stefanie Mattson
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2025 Run for the Health of It

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Grand Hotel (Including Grand
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**TOTAL NUMBER OF
DONORS SINCE 2014**
2,600+

**TOTAL NUMBER OF
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19,300+

**TOTAL DOLLAR
AMOUNT THROUGH
IN-KIND DONATIONS**
\$43,000

**TOTAL DOLLAR
AMOUNT OF ALL
DONATIONS**
\$8,149,637



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BRIDGING DREAMS TO REALITY

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23
2026

Hooping for a Cure

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JULY

7
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**Healthy Partners Luncheon,
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AUGUST

20
2026

**Jewel at Mackinac Golf Tournament,
Mackinac Island**

AUGUST

23
2026

**Medical Center Auction,
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SEPTEMBER

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