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Sharing of Appreciation

Dear Friends of Sequoia,

I would like to introduce myself as the incoming Chair of the Sequoia Hospital Foundation. It is with great pride that I follow in the footsteps of Ken Tehaney, as he led with great enthusiasm, to continue the philanthropic mission of supporting patient care and services here at Sequoia Hospital.

Please join me as we thank our outgoing board member Mara Giattina, MD, who served since 2014. As a member of the board, we all play a fundamental part in volunteering our time and expertise to the mission and vision of the Sequoia Hospital Foundation.

In this issue of Gratitude, we announce the completion of the \$4M fully donor-funded *Imaging for Tomorrow* campaign for the purchase of a dual-source CT scanner and showcase how our Sequoia Impact Grants (SIG) have provided a crucial component to Sequoia's surgery team.

Be sure to check out the news for our upcoming in-person events this summer; **Boots & Bling** presented by Sequoia's Hearts of the Hospital, and our **Annual Steven San Filippo Memorial Invitational Golf Tournament**.

Thank you for supporting Sequoia Hospital and placing your trust in us as stewards of your contributions towards your preferred cause of choice. As a reminder, 100 percent of available donations received directly benefit the hospital, as the Foundation's overhead is covered through our parent company, CommonSpirit Health.

You are an integral part of the compassionate care provided at Sequoia Hospital and we are grateful for your partnership.



With gratitude,

Beverly Joyce, MD
Chair, Sequoia Hospital Foundation

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\$4M Raised for CT Imaging at Sequoia Hospital

Thanks to the support of more than 130 generous donors, we have completed the *Imaging for Tomorrow* fundraising campaign goal of \$4 million to purchase the Siemens SOMATOM Drive with dual-source technology CT scanner for Sequoia Hospital.

The *Imaging for Tomorrow* campaign funds the purchase of the Siemens SOMATOM Drive with Dual Source technology CT Scanner, coming to Sequoia Hospital in 2023. Versatile and ahead of its time, the quality of this CT imaging will advance Sequoia's award-winning care to even greater heights.

While Sequoia's existing 64-slice CT machine utilizes a single imaging head, dual-source CT technology uses two x-ray sources at right angles to each other to double the speed of the test and produce dramatically sharper images of the scanned area. The result is a significant reduction in radiation to the patient and a high-quality image that can be used to guide a surgeon to the right area, identify tumors, or study and monitor blood vessels, all of which are critical to improving patient outcomes. Once again, Sequoia Hospital will be one of only a few non-academic hospitals in the nation to bring this technology to its patients.

We have persevered through the COVID-19 pandemic and our community continues to show tremendous support for Sequoia Hospital. Here at the Foundation, we have the privilege of working with our supporters to show their gratitude in gifts towards projects that make a difference in the care provided daily at the hospital.



A CT scan combines a series of X-ray images taken from different angles around the body and, using advanced computer processing, creates cross-sectional images of bones, internal blood vessels and soft tissues. At Sequoia Hospital, physicians rely on CT imaging for over 7,500 patients annually.

The \$4M funding of the dual-source CT scanner was made possible with the support of more than 130 individuals, with a significant lead gift of \$1M.



"This fundraising campaign is an investment in the high-quality care at Sequoia Hospital. With the partnership of our hospital's Foundation and our many supporters, we will remain at the forefront of excellence. Through the utilization of this technology our care providers across multiple specialties will be able to continue to grow their practice and expertise."

—Bill Graham,
Sequoia Hospital President and CEO

This new CT imaging technology will elevate the quality of care across Sequoia Hospital's:

- Heart and Vascular Institute
- Precision Biopsy Program
- Stroke Program
- Center for Total Joint Replacement
- Neurology Services
- Emergency and Trauma Services



40th Anniversary

On Tuesday, June 7, 2022, the Foundation hosted a donor appreciation event in honor of Sequoia Hospital Foundation's 40th Anniversary.

An outdoor reception was held at Sequoia Hospital. Guests were treated to hors d'oeuvres and refreshments while they mingled with hospital staff, board members, and other community donors. The evening's program highlighted Sequoia Hospital's past, and present, and how leaving a legacy can make a big impact on our future. The event featured guest speakers Ken Tehaney, Foundation Board Chair, Bill Graham, President/CEO of Sequoia Hospital, Dieter Bruno, MD, Chief Medical Officer of Sequoia Hospital, Donna Bandelloni, Philanthropic Leader, and Jennifer Svihus, CFRE, President of Sequoia Hospital Foundation.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank-you to all of our donors over the last 40 years who have helped us raise over \$84 million dollars and who continue to support the amazing work being done at Sequoia Hospital. We are looking forward to the next 40!



Inclusion Partnership with AbilityPath

As part of our Sequoia Impact Grants program, Sequoia's Surgery department has partnered with AbilityPath, a Bay Area organization that empowers people with special needs to achieve their full potential through innovative and inclusive programs, to hire a supply management assistant.

Hasan Shehadeh, pictured here, has been working with the OR staff since November 2021, assisting with unpacking supplies in the OR. His work performance has exceeded expectations, and has allowed OR staff to focus on their essential work.

This opportunity has also allowed our staff to gain experience working with special needs individuals in a positive way that promotes our values of inclusion and collaboration. We look forward to having Hasan stay with us for another year and hope to expand our partnership with AbilityPath in the future.



Meet Our Staff

Sukhie Bal joined the Sequoia Hospital Foundation recently as Director of Development. She brings almost 15 years of fundraising experience from top-tier research universities. Sukhie has worked with various constituents, including alumni, parents, community members, and international donors. She has managed volunteers, staffed boards, and finds working with philanthropists meaningful and inspiring.

Sukhie holds graduate degrees from USC's Marshall School of Business and CSUN's Michael D. Eisner College of Education, and her undergraduate degree is from UC Santa Cruz. In her free time, she enjoys hiking, visiting museums, checking out dining hotspots, and spending quality time with her husband, family and friends.



Partners in Health

The Foundation is pleased to introduce a new recognition society, our Partners in Health society. Donors who contribute \$1,000 or more each year will be proud members.

Partners in Health benefits include:

- Listing on our Partners in Health page on our website
- Recognition at all Foundation events
- Opportunity to be featured in the Foundation's Annual Report
- Special access at our donor appreciation event
- Invitation to our state-of-the-hospital luncheon/reception with hospital leadership
- Hospital tour available upon request

For more information contact Taylor Liberator at (650) 367-5657.

Upcoming Events

August 27, 2022:

Sequoia's Hearts of the Hospital presents Boots & Bling

Join us under the stars at a private residence in Atherton to raise funds for Sequoia's Women's Health Center, dine on local fare and enjoy a live stage-production featuring Summer Brennan and Alex Lucero.



September 12, 2022:

Annual Steven San Filippo Memorial Invitational Golf Tournament

Join the friendly competition on the course while benefiting the Foundation's *Stepping Forward* initiative to bring robotic joint replacement technology to Sequoia.



Leave a Legacy

Your summer might be planned, but is your future?

It's fun to get creative with summer plans, and you can get creative with your estate plans too. An estate plan is an ongoing process that can evolve as your life changes.

One carefully-planned gift to Sequoia Hospital Foundation can return an immediate tax-deduction to you, lifetime income for you and a loved one, or other attractive benefits, plus provide long-term financial support to Sequoia Hospital.

Let's talk about the creative gift that best matches your plan for your family's future, and your charitable intentions supporting the care provided at Sequoia Hospital.

Contact Jennifer at Jennifer.Svihus@DignityHealth.org or call (650) 367-5657.

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