2021 Impact Report

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St. Joseph's Health FOUNDATION



Dear Friends,

As we look back over the past two years, we do so with tremendous pride in knowing that we came through stronger and even more invested in furthering our mission here at St. Joseph's Health. We cannot thank you enough for all you have done to support our patients, physicians, nurses and staff during one of the most challenging times in our 154-year history.



Dean Emmolo, Chair SJH Foundation, Kevin J. Slavin, President and CEO, St. Joseph's Health, and Robert B. Budelman, VP and CDO, SJH Foundation.

The year 2021 presented many challenges

for our system; however, thanks to the overwhelming dedication of our physicians, nurses, staff, and donors like you, we met these challenges with determination. We are grateful for you, our supporters, who continue to demonstrate acts of hope, strength, kindness, and unfaltering generosity, which have left us truly in awe. We know now, more than ever, that we are **Stronger Together!**

The tremendous love and care you showed St. Joseph's Health kept us going strong. YOU were with each patient that came through our doors and beside each caregiver that did all they could to show the utmost compassion and love.

Thanks to your support, in 2021, St. Joseph's Health Foundation raised over \$11.8 million.

We are very proud of what we have accomplished together! We are humbled to share with you some of the milestones we achieved in carrying out our mission throughout 2021. For it is truly in the selfless giving of ourselves that we become **Stronger Together**.

Kevin Slavin
President & CEO

St. Joseph's Health

Dean P. Emmolo

Board Chair

St. Joseph's Health Foundation

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Robert B. Budelman, III

VP, Chief Development Officer St. Joseph's Health



Members of the St. Joseph's Health team provide COVID-19 vaccinations for patients, staff, and the greater community.

OUR MISSION

St. Joseph's Health is a healing ministry of the Catholic Church sponsored by the Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth. We are committed to sustaining and improving individual and community health, with a special concern for those who are poor, vulnerable and underserved.

Robert Bertollo, Manager of Mobile Integrative Health provides COVID-19 vaccines to homebound patients throughout the community.



2021 IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

OVER \$11.8 MILLION RAISED

1,443 DONORS

IN 202

2,529 GIFTS

OVER \$4.5M

distributed from the Foundation to support programs and capital projects



14+ staff positions across the system made possible through philanthropy, totaling more than \$818,000



supported by the Binder Autism Center



5,000+

Pediatric Hematology and Oncology Patient Visits





OVER 398,000

outpatient visits and procedures across the network

Largest employer in Passaic County with

OVER 5,400 TEAM MEMBERS

5th consecutive

MAGNET DESIGNATION

Top In The Nation for Nursing Excellence

1,333
Medical Staff
Providers

247
Residents
and Fellows





145,841 Emergency Visits

CENTERS OF **EXCELLENCE**

- **†** Cardiothoracic Surgery
- 👚 Interventional Cardiology
- Neuroscience/Neurosurgery
- Advanced Endoscopy
- Orthopedics & Orthopedic Surgery
- **Comprehensive Cancer Care**
- ★ Pediatric Specialties and Centers of Excellence
- Robotic Surgery
- Women's OB/GYN,PerinatologyNeonatology
- Emergency Medicine (Pediatric/Adult/Geriatric)
- Level II Trauma Services
- Global Telehealth and Physician Residency/Fellowship

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE ST. JOSEPH'S HEALTH COMMUNITY

from the Most Reverend Bishop Kevin J. Sweeney, Bishop of Paterson "I, like so many, have heard and read many stories of the way in which health care workers in our area and throughout the country were and are, once again, being called to heroic and self-sacrificing service in the care of those who are sick.

"I wanted to write to you today to say THANK YOU and also let you know how much you mean to so many, here in our City and Diocese of Paterson, and beyond. So many of us can only imagine what you have been and are going through, not only in recent weeks but during the past 22+ months of this global



Most Reverend Bishop Kevin Sweeney visits St. Joseph's Health and offers prayers and blessings for patients and staff.

pandemic. I can only imagine how tired, frustrated and even discouraged some of you must be. Yet, so many of you continued to "show up" every day and answer the call!! This is one of the many reasons why, truly, you are Heroes!! Your dedication, professionalism, kindness, and generosity inspire us. Again, **THANK YOU** and please know how much you are Loved and Respected!

"I want you to know that you are and will be in my daily prayer and in the prayers of the people of our Diocese. I also pray you and your families will know how grateful we are to you for being our Heroes and for the care that you so generously and courageously give to those who serve."

*Excerpt taken from letter in celebration of the Baptism of the Lord, January 8, 2022.

A HIGHER COMMITMENT: THE CAMPAIGN FOR ST. JOSEPH'S HEALTH

In 2017, St. Joseph's Health Foundation launched *A Higher Commitment: The Campaign for St. Joseph's Health*. The campaign supports a myriad of programs, services and capital improvements across our healthcare system, with a special emphasis on supporting renovations planned for St. Joseph's Wayne Medical Center and the renovations underway to establish our Women's and Children's Pavilion at St. Joseph's University Medical Center.

Thanks to the support of our donors, employees, community partners, and patients, we are making investments in our future by enhancing our facilities so they match our world-class expertise. We are focusing on innovative programs to expand care beyond our walls and, of course, we are continuing the commitment to our Mission; to serve our entire community, particularly the underserved.

We are proud to share that we have surpassed our campaign goal of \$30 million and bolstered by this momentum continue to move forward to meet patients' and families' expectations of cutting-edge care.

Over the next several years, St. Joseph's Health will completely transform eight clinical units totaling 106,000 square feet to create the Women's & Children's Pavilion at St Joseph's University Medical Center. This \$55 million investment from St. Joseph's Health will support critical enhancements for mothers, infants, children, teens, and young adults served every day to ensure that our facilities match the high-quality, compassionate care that we have always provided.

St. Joseph's Dedicates Brand-New Mother Baby Unit

In 2021, the new Mother Baby Unit was complete and the ribbon was cut to welcome new patients in the state-of-the-art facility. The 26 private room maternity unit provides mothers with a safe, comfortable environment to nurture their newborn and family.



The staff is trained to support both the labor & delivery and the post-partum experience. Internationally Board Certified Lactation Consultants, as well as trained registered nurses and education specialists, complete the staff and are available for breastfeeding support if needed. St. Joseph's offers a daily Education and Discharge Class or individual instruction on bathing, feeding, developmental needs of newborns, and follow-up care for the mother and infant.

LOCONTE FAMILY CHARITABLE FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTION

St. Joseph's Health Foundation received a seven-figure gift commitment from the LoConte Family Charitable Foundation, furthering their dedication to St. Joseph's Health. Through this historic gift, the largest in the history of St. Joseph's Health, the LoConte family will continue their support of the Santo LoConte Child Advocacy Center, support the renovation of the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, and enhance the St. Joseph's Health cancer care program.

The Santo LoConte Child Advocacy Center, dedicated in 2019, offers children and families the experience of a coordinated interdisciplinary team that brings together protective services, medical providers, and therapeutic resources in a home-like setting.

The Pediatric Intensive
Care Unit (PICU) at St.
Joseph's Children's Hospital
was recently awarded a
gold-level Beacon Award
for Excellence from The
American Association of
Critical-Care Nurses (AACN).
This is the first gold award
received by St. Joseph's
Health and the first PICU
in New Jersey to receive a
gold-level Beacon Award.



The LoConte's gift will also support new programming around the clinical affiliation between Hackensack Meridian John Theurer Cancer Center and St. Joseph's Health Cancer Care program. This partnership will provide better access to clinical trials and highly subspecialized expertise for patients across St. Joseph's market. The community will have access to exceptional and comprehensive care delivered by the NCI-designated John Theurer Cancer Center. This partnership brings us closer to achieving another important goal: ensuring that every New Jersey resident has access to high-quality compassionate care close to home.

"The LoConte family has demonstrated time and time again their unparalleled dedication to sustaining and improving individual and community health, with a special concern for those who are poor, vulnerable and underserved. We are grateful to their entire family for the heartfelt generosity and engagement with St. Joseph's Health."

ROBERT BUDELMAN, VP and CDO



HMH PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

St. Joseph's Health and Hackensack Meridian *Health* have taken the next step forward in our strategic and clinical partnership. Together, we are expanding our clinical rehabilitation services through an affiliation with the nationally recognized Hackensack Meridian *Health* - Johnson Rehabilitation Institute (JRI), enabling us to offer the highest levels of rehabilitation medicine to the residents of northern New Jersey. As a part of the initiative, JRI physicians and services will now be offered at St. Joseph's Wayne Medical Center.

In 2019, St. Joseph's Health and Hackensack Meridian *Health* announced a clinical and strategic partnership that deepens both organizations' commitment to providing greater access to the highest quality care throughout the region. Expanding St. Joseph's rehabilitation services is one of the first initiatives of the partnership.

JRI is a nationally acclaimed leader in the field, breaking ground in the areas of stroke rehabilitation, innovative orthopedic programs, cuttingedge speech and audiology services, and traumatic brain injury recovery.

ST. JOSEPH'S TOTOWA HEALTH CAMPUS

We are thrilled to welcome our newest facility to the line-up of St. Joseph's Health facilities: St. Joseph's Totowa Health Campus, which will open in phases throughout 2022. St. Joseph's Totowa Health Campus is a one-stop-shop for all ambulatory and cancer care needs, spread across two state-of-the-art medical buildings. With over 156,000 square feet of new construction, this modern facility will ensure a comfortable patient experience with advanced technological features. The ability to provide a variety of outpatient care procedures under one roof will help to decrease the stress and anxiety that often goes hand-in-hand with cancer diagnosis and treatment, as well as other illnesses.

The first of two buildings to open will be equipped with a Primary Care/ Urgent Care Center, Retail Pharmacy and Radiology Services, along with specialty and rehabilitation care services.

The second building to open will be one of three locations in Passaic County to offer comprehensive cancer care through our clinical affiliation with Hackensack Meridian John Theurer Cancer Center.

VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) FUNDING: PATERSON HEALING COLLECTIVE

The Paterson Healing Collective, the first Hospital-based Violence Intervention Program (HVIP) in Passaic County, provides support and interventions for survivors of traumatic violence. HVIPs are multidisciplinary programs that identify patients at risk of repeat violent injury and link them with hospital- and community-based resources aimed at addressing underlying risk factors for violence. This program is a partnership of St. Joseph's University Medical Center and Reimagining Justice, a 501 (c)(3) organization that advocates for creating healingcentered justice responses, justice reinvestment in communities to create safe havens for youth, educational support for the socio-emotional needs of children and culturally appropriate mental health programs.

St. Joseph's Health Foundation is proud to proud to work with the Paterson Healing Collective and to be the award recipient for this grant funding.



The Paterson Healing Collective team gathers for the launch of their program.

Addressing an unmet need for victims' services, the Paterson Healing Collective aids victims of penetrating wounds due to street violence, providing support, improving outcomes, and reducing retaliatory violence and further victimization. The program has been instrumental in providing support and advocacy for victims and families, especially in the **Emergency Department setting.**

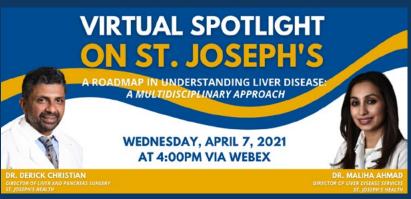




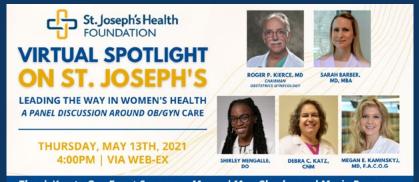
Paterson Health Collective hosts safety events and trainings for the youth

As a result of this partnership, improvements to hospital policy to further protect victims of violence in regard to privacy and security have been made. This important program is funded through a \$1 million+ sub-award from the State of New Jersey Office of the **Attorney General, Department** of Law & Public Safety through the federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant program.

SPOTLIGHT ON ST. JOSEPH'S HEALTH



In 2021, St. Joseph's Health Foundation presented four 'Spotlight on St. Joseph's Health' events. April's Spotlight featured A Roadmap in Understanding Liver Disease: A Multidisciplinary Approach presented by Maliha Ahmad, MD, and Derick Christian, MD.



Thank You to Our Event Sponsor... Mr. and Mrs. Charles and Marie Breuss
May's Spotlight, sponsored by foundation trustee, Mrs. Marie Breuss, featured
Leading the Way in Women's Health: A Panel Discussion Around OB/GYN
Care between by Roger P. Kierce, MD; Sarah Barber, MD, MBA; Megan E.
Kaminskyj, MD, FACOG, Shirley Mengalle, DO; and Debra C. Katz, CN.



September's Spotlight, sponsored by Columbia Bank Foundation, featured Advancements in Sports Medicine and Spinal Health. (Left to right) Kevin J. Slavin, President and CEO, St. Joseph's Health, Bart Oates, Vincent McInerney, MD and Arash Emami, MD.



December's Spotlight featured a *fireside chat* with (left to right) Robert C. Garrett, CEO, Hackensack Meridian Health and Kevin J. Slavin, President and CEO, St. Joseph's Health, joined by Thomas J. Kemley, President and CEO, Columbia Bank, and Robert B. Budelman, VP and CDO, SJH Foundation.

2021 EVENTS ST. JOSEPH'S HEALTH FOUNDATION



NLF Alumni: NY/NJ Chapter Golf Classic – June 14, 2021 Benefiting St. Joseph's Children's Hospital Ridgewood Country Club



St. Joseph's Health Foundation Golf Classic – September 13, 2021 Presented by Frank Laviano & Morgan Stanley Hamilton Farm Golf Club



2nd Annual Drive-In Movie Night – June 5, 2021 Presented by our Young Professionals Committee St. Joseph's Wayne Medical Center 10



Fashion with Compassion Luxury Raffle – November 2021

Presented by Reno's Appliances

Benefiting St. Joseph's Children's Hospital



2021 Gala Appeal – Fall 2021

Presented by CareOne

Honoring St. Joseph's Commitment to Innovation

& Excellence in Healthcare

THIRD-PARTY EVENTS

We are so thankful for our donors and partners who support St. Joseph's Health through their own fundraising initiatives. We are proud to partner with these leaders in the community!



Virtual Beefsteak Event Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Wayne Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish held their 20th annual fundraiser for the Child Life Department at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital. With nearly \$324,000 raised since 2002, these funds continue to improve the experience for our pediatric patients and their family members.



North Jersey Country Club Women Golfers Group The Women Golfers Group at North Jersey Country Club held their annual benefit golf event in support of St. Joseph's Children's Hospital. This was a record-breaking year for the golfers, who raised nearly \$10,000 in support of St. Joseph's Children's Hospital.

Agents for Children's Health
The Agents for Children's Health, led by Francis
Costello, former Foundation Board of Trustee,
Norman Lewis, Paul Cimino, and Daniel Burkhart,
held their annual Golf Outing on October 18,
2021, which raised \$26,000 in support of the
Binder Autism Center.



Hosted by Sax LLC
Over 300 runners and walkers, including
134 Team St. Joe's participants, laced up their
sneakers for the 10th annual Sax 4 Miler to
benefit St. Joseph's Children's Hospital on
Saturday, October 2nd at Garret Mountain.
We are grateful to Sax, LLP who surpassed

their goal and raised \$91,000 in support of

our Child Life Department, totaling over \$689,000 since its inception.

10th Annual Sax 4-Miler



A HEARTFELT THANKS TO THE LEAGUE OF ST. JOSEPH'S

The League of St. Joseph's has heroically engaged its members and the surrounding communities to support St. Joseph's University Medical Center for more than a century. The League, which was an outgrowth of The Ladies Auxiliary of St. Joseph's, was established in 1905 to raise funds to support the hospital's needs. In 1982, it became The League and had branches known as "Twigs" established in Clifton, Franklin Lakes, Hawthorne, Paterson, Wayne and Wyckoff. Both the League and the Twigs sponsored a variety of fundraising events throughout the year to benefit St. Joseph's.





St. Joseph's Satellite Diagnostic Unit in the former Johnson Building. Circa 1980.

Since 1985, the League has provided over \$5 million to further the priorities of the hospital, raised though major events such as an Annual Fashion Show and 50/50 Bonanza raffle. We are grateful to The League of St. Joseph's, and its many active members who have left a lasting legacy here at St. Joseph's Health.

In 2021, we received a final gift of \$450,000 from the League as it officially dissolved itself as an organization after 117 years of dedication.

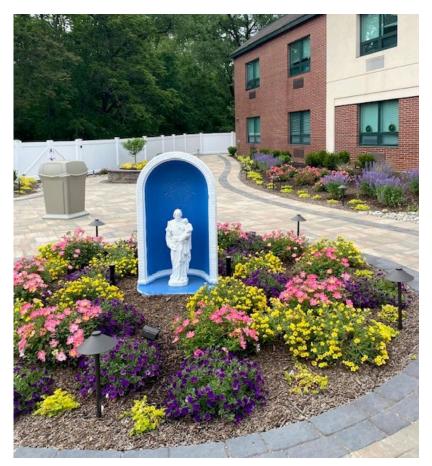
THE LILLIAN HINSBERG GARDEN at St. Joseph's Healthcare and Rehab Center

St. Joseph's Health Foundation received a gift of \$430,850 from the Estate of Lillian Hinsberg to renovate the main garden and outdoor space at St. Joseph's Healthcare and Rehab Center (Cedar Grove).

Mrs. Hinsberg was a beloved longtime supporter of the center through her involvement with the St. Vincent's Auxiliary. The Auxiliary have been marvelous supporters of the Rehab Center through their various efforts, including fundraising events and recreational activities for the residents.

This renovation included the addition of a state-of-the-art louvered pergola, beautiful plant installation, water features, private fencing, rock speakers, multiple sources of shade, an irrigation system for easy maintenance, lighting for nighttime use, and ample comfortable outdoor furniture space for patients and residents to gather with family and friends. Thanks to the Estate of Lilian Hinsberg and the St. Vincent's Auxiliary, our SJHRC patients and residents can easily access restorative care for their body and mind in this peaceful setting.





PATIENT STORY: BINDER AUTISM CENTER

"In November, 1993, Dr. Joseph Holahan diagnosed our 2 year old son, Jesse, with an autistic spectrum disorder. In the early 1990s, there were few services available to help children like Jesse. The treatment options were costly and limited. In funding the BAC, it was, and remains our passion to help early stage and older children on the spectrum and their families receive outstanding behavioral, therapeutic and social/emotional support services. It is our hope that when the families now receive that



Steve and Saari Binder, benefactors to St. Joseph's for over 27 years, are passionate about improving the care for children diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder.

difficult diagnosis, they have a myriad of services to give them hope and optimism!"

STEVE AND SAARI BINDER

The Binder Autism Center (BAC), established in 2015, was the result of the generosity of Steve and Saari Binder. Through their support, thousands of children like Michael and Justin Andros, and their families, have received personalized, integrative care and services. We are grateful to the Binder family for their continued support and dedication to St. Joseph's Children's Hospital.

"When we received our sons' Autism diagnoses we were crushed and immediately thought, "Why did this happen to us?" The Binder Autism Center gave us hope... they took our fears and turned them into action to provide our sons the best opportunities possible."

GEORGE ANDROS, father of former patients Michael and Justin

The BAC serves over 500 families each year and delivers a systematic approach to the evaluation, diagnosis, treatment, and societal integration of children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). Our comprehensive and holistic treatment begins with our distinguished clinical staff evaluating and diagnosing children with autism, and continues throughout our program

in individual and group therapy sessions, skill groups, social functions, recreational activities, caregiver support groups, and caregiver educational seminars. Patients have access to the award-winning services at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital, including Genetics and our Center for Pediatric Feeding and Swallowing, which is critical given ASD's high comorbidity rate with other disorders.



Nutley, NJ, celebrate their graduations from Nutley High School and Bergen Community College.

Michael and Justin Andros are brothers who began with the BAC after a Pediatric Neurological Evaluation by Dr. Joseph Holahan, Chief, Child Development. After learning about some of the services available, Michael and Justin's parents enrolled the boys in the program. Throughout the years, the brothers participated in bowling, social skills groups, summer camps, art, yoga, cooking and more. Mr. and Mrs. Andros attended parent support groups, parent education workshops, and many social events as well. Together with the BAC team, the Andros family has worked hard to help Justin and Michael make tremendous progress.

"Our family loved every minute of our time at BAC. What made our experience so special was the team of people who carried out each program. You could trust every member of team and we truly believed that they cared about our family – they cared about every family. You don't see that very often these days and it was rewarding to know they cared."

In 2021, the Andros family celebrated a double graduation of their two sons, Justin from Nutley High School, and Michael from Bergen Community College.

"We couldn't be more proud of our sons and what they've accomplished, and we couldn't be more thankful to St. Joseph's Children's Hospital. Not only is it an ultra-modern facility, it is run by people who genuinely care."

Michael and Justin Andros are just two of the many patients whose lives have been transformed by St. Joseph's Children's Hospital. This impact is only made possible by the generous support donors like you!

Join St. Joseph's Health Foundation in celebrating the impact of Dr. Joseph Holahan and Steven and Saari Binder at the 2022 Gala on October 13, 2022.

Visit www.GiveToStJosephs.org to learn more.



Left to right: Robert B. Budelman, VP and CDO, SJH Foundation, Kevin J. Slavin, President and CEO, St. Joseph's Health, The Honorable William J. Martini, Robert C. Garrett, CEO of Hackensack Meridian Health, and Wendy Slavin at the December 2021 Spotlight on St. Joseph's.

MARTINI FAMILY FOUNDATION

St. Joseph's Health Foundation and Hackensack Meridian Health Foundation received a \$1,000,000 gift from The Nicholas Martini Foundation to name "The Martini Family Lobby" at St. Joseph's Health Totowa Campus.

This gift will support the newly-established cancer care facility sponsored by St. Joseph's Health and John Theurer Cancer Center at Hackensack Meridian *Health*, opening in Totowa in 2022.

This new care center will be a patient- and family-centered environment for care complemented by serene and calming surroundings. Spanning over 56,000 square feet, this cancer center will feature brand-new Radiation Oncology suites, Radiology, Laboratory and Pathology services, along with a complete Infusion Center.

NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS

In 2021, St. Joseph's Health Foundation awarded the Anthony J. Addeo, M.D. Scholarship to 10 SJH employees who are committed to furthering their career by attending nursing school. Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. Simonelli established this scholarship fund to honor the memory of Dr. Addeo, who greatly contributed to the advancement of medicine at St. Joseph's Wayne Medical Center.

New in 2021, St. Joseph's Health Foundation awarded the Rev. Msgr. Mark Giordani Memorial Scholarship to one special nursing student. This award, established in honor of the Antonicello and Garvey families, supports students from the Paterson and Wayne communities, two communities that Msgr. Giordani loved and served. This scholarship was designed to help encourage a deserving student's educational pursuits, especially as they relate to nursing.

Msgr. Mark was a beloved priest of the Diocese of Paterson for fifty years and served as Rector of St. John's Cathedral from 1988-2018. He was also the Chaplain for the Paterson Police Department, the Passaic County Sheriff's Department and the Port Authority of NY & NJ, among many other positions throughout the community.

Award selections are determined based on proof of acceptance and enrollment in a current nursing program, demonstrated financial need and clearly stated career goals.

It is our honor to congratulate the well-deserved recipients of the 2021 Nursing Scholarships.

2021 AWARDEES



Magdelin Pena Reynoso



Alisa Wilkinson



Andrea Rios Orellana



Emelita Bardzell

Not Pictured:

Elizabeth Castaneda Cinthya Levy Jildiz Ceryansuyu **Chrislenny Perez** Diana Kelisheva **Shanice Thomas**

Rev. Msgr. Mark Giordani Memorial

Natalie Davila

PHILANTHROPY-FUNDED POSITIONS

Through a variety of partnerships and philanthropic investments, St. Joseph's Health Foundation funded over fourteen different positions across St. Joseph's Health in 2021, totaling more than \$818,000.

- Art Therapist, Binder Autism Center
- ABA Therapist, Binder Autism Center
- Chief, Midwifery, OB/GYN
- Child Life Specialist, The Valerie Fund Center at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital
- Clinician, St. Joseph's Children's Hospital
- Clinical Coordinator, Binder Autism Center
- Educational Liaison, The Valerie Fund Center at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital
- Financial Counselor/Patient Eligibility Rep, The Valerie Fund Center at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital
- Integrative Therapists, The Valerie Fund Center at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital

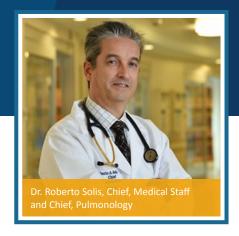


- Neuropsychologist, The Valerie Fund Center at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital
- Pediatric Diabetes Educator, Diabetes Program
- Recreational Therapist, St. Joseph's Children's Hospital

- Research Coordinator, Alternatives to Opioids® Program (ALTO)
- Social Worker, The Valerie Fund Center at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital

PHYSICIAN PROFILE: DR. ROBERTO SOLIS

St. Joseph's Health Foundation recently sat down with Dr. Roberto Solis, Chief, Medical Staff and Chief, Pulmonology, to learn more about why he has made "A Higher Commitment" to St. Joseph's Health.



"Many donors may not realize that for many of our patients, St. Joseph's is their only access to healthcare—we are it."

St. Joseph's Health Foundation (SJHF): Dr. Solis, thank you for getting together to discuss your support of St. Joseph's Health Foundation. Can you share with us a little about yourself and your history at St. Joseph's Health?

Dr. Solis: Absolutely! I started at St. Joseph's back in 1987 when I came to do a sub-internship in Medicine. At that time, St. Joseph's was partnering with St. George's Medical School, which they still do today, to accept residents. As soon as I set foot at St. Joseph's it immediately felt like home—it felt like this is where I belonged. I graduated in 1988, applied here, and was accepted for a residency at St. Joseph's where I served for three years in medicine, two years pulmonology, and another year in critical care at University Hospital from '93–94.

From 1994–2016, I worked primarily in private practice with Dr. Jeffrey Gold, who was building a multidisciplinary practice, with Gastroenterology, and other disciplinaries. In 2016, a previous mentor of mine retired, and I decided to apply to become the Vision Chief of Pulmonary. Five years later I am currently serving

as Chair of Medicine. If you were to ask me in 1987 if I ever pictured myself in an administrative role, I would have laughed. In fact, I have found that I quite enjoy it. I have learned that you have to be happy where you work always, and I am very proud that I have never regretted a single day in making St. Joseph's my home—never regretted.

SJHF: That's wonderful. Thank you for your many years of dedication to St. Joseph's Health. Throughout those years you and your family have always been very generous in your financial support of the Foundation—what has motivated you to give throughout the years?

Dr. Solis: That's easy—St. Joseph's made me who I am today—more specifically, the physician I am today. My training was here and I've always been a part of the mission. I have a deep appreciation for the time that was invested in me; between the mentors, teachers, and others who molded me — it made a difference. I always liked to teach. In fact, I have always served as a teaching attending Physician because of the example of those who taught me. Even though I had privileges at other hospitals, I always preferred treating here at St. Joseph's and would always tell my patients to come here. I always felt that if I were to be sick, or my family were sick, I would want them to be cared for here—in fact, I brought my parents from New York to be treated here. I have always been motivated to give back throughout the years because I feel like it is my way to pay forward everything that I received, and continue to receive, from St. Joseph's.

SJHF: You recently became a member of the Seton Legacy Society, which celebrates those donors who have left a gift to St. Joseph's in their estate plans; what made you and your wife decide to leave such a meaningful gift?

Dr. Solis: My success has been tied directly with St. Joseph's. Because of that, I wanted to pay it forward and be able to make sure that St. Joseph's continues to succeed, and be able to fund the programs it wishes to fund. As you can imagine, I have seen all sorts of expansions since I first started here—the build-up of the Seton Building, the erection of the Critical Care Building (2010), the brand-new Mother-Baby Unit (2021)—and so much more! The enhancements and improvements across the system are all due, in part, to the donations and philanthropic investments by many. My wife, Toni, and I wanted to make sure that the innovations, enhancements, and commitment to our mission are able to continue well into the future, and we felt that leaving a gift in our will was the best way to do that! I am also committed to continuing my support for St. Joseph's while I am still working here. I tell my fellow employees that whatever you can give is a plus and is a great way to pay it forward to the place where you love to work.

SJHF: Thank you for sharing this! You're certainly right about the great opportunity that exists to make a lasting legacy through your planned gift to St. Joseph's. What would you say to the benefactors that support St. Joseph's Health?

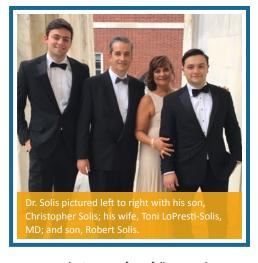
Dr. Solis: Thank you for your support, and hopefully for your continued support! Because of you, have been able to expand our services and programs. We serve a very unique population, a lot of uninsured and underinsured, and are committed to continuing to do so. Many donors may not realize that for many of our patients, St. Joseph's is their only access to healthcare—we are it. What is important to know is that those patients are treated just like anyone else—we are here for anyone who comes to us looking for care—and philanthropy plays a significant role in making sure that we are available for all. Our donors, though they may not realize, are helping to significantly decrease the gap with healthcare inequality in this nation.

SJHF: What encouragement would you give to your fellow physicians and team members about making a philanthropic gift to St. Joseph's?

Dr. Solis: I would encourage them to know that their own personal success is tied into the success of what they do here at St. Joseph's—and that they can play an active role in that success by contributing. At some point in most of our lives, there comes a point where we have the means to give back and can give back. We can each look at where we started and how far we've come. Whether you've worked here for 6 months or 50 years, hopefully you are seeing both your own growth, but also the growth of the hospital.

SJHF: Dr. Solis, thank you for taking the time to speak with us! We are grateful for the example you are to so many of us. You've been a part of the St. Joseph's Health Family for nearly 35 years—and we're grateful for how you continue to embody our mission. Is there anything else you'd like to add?

Dr. Solis: Loften tell the candidates that I interview for residency positions that you are not going to find a place like St. Joseph's where everyone treats one another with respect. We are family. Additionally, since the onset of COVID-19 we have been taxed like we have never been taxed before, both as an institution and as individuals. Every single line of work was deeply impacted; the ENTIRE staff. I am proud to say that we were bent, but we did not break.



We've lost family, friends, neighbors; we even lost some of our fellow employees—but here at St. Joseph's we never lost hope or despaired. We came in day after day, barraged with patient after patient. One thing we did realize is that we're stronger together, and that we always need to be prepared!

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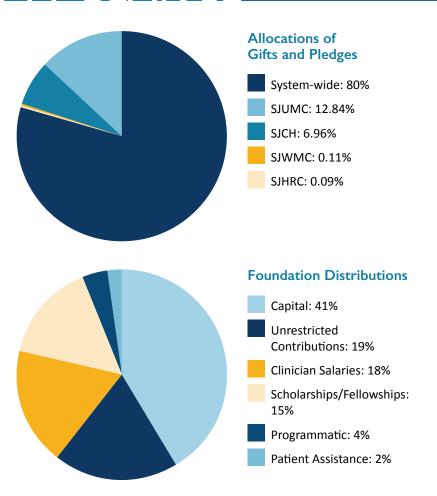
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Revenue	End 2020	End 2021
Fundraising ¹	\$3,486,167	\$11,732,746
Gifts-in-Kind	\$4,107,936	\$152,059
Interest/Investments	\$691,040	\$712,324
TOTAL REVENUE	\$8,285,144	\$12,597,129
_	Actual Year	Actual Year
Expenses	End 2020	End 2021
PROGRAM		
Distributions to St. Joseph's Health and other local nonprofits ²	\$2,019,708	\$4,553,662
OPERATING		
Personnel (Salaries and benefits)	\$1,018,765	\$878,716
Administrative	\$754,145	\$726,305
Fundraising	\$215,105	\$367,613
Operating Subtotal	\$1,988,015	\$1,972,634
TOTAL EXPENSES (Cash)	\$4,007,724	\$6,526,296
Write-offs (Bad debt) ³		\$360,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES (Incl. write-offs)	\$4,007,724	\$6,166,296



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