



Since 2012, the St. Francis Medical Center Foundation has been dedicated to working to fulfill the mission of caring for those most in need, in particular women and children. At St. Francis Medical Center, we know your child's health, happiness, and access to services and specialized care are what really matter to you when your child needs medical attention. We are proud to be the leader in caring for the critically ill and sick premature babies and children throughout the region.

St. Francis Medical Center serves more than 500,000 people across 17 parishes in Louisiana and 3 counties in Arkansas and we understand how important it is for families in times of crisis to have the appropriate healthcare they need close to home. The Foundation works with the hospital to align the identified critical needs with funding to support particular programs and services to en-

sure a higher level of care, quality, patient experience, and positive outcomes for our patients.

We are privileged to have the northeast Louisiana region's only Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), Level III OB/Labor and Delivery, and dedicated Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU), vital services when it comes to the lives of our women and children and a key area of focus for the Foundation. Because of our the generosity of our community and donors, we are able to make a profound impact on the lives of so many throughout the region by assisting to continue to provide the highest level of care to more than 4,000 newborns, mothers, babies, pediatric patients and children annually.

Over the years, with the overwhelming support of our community, businesses, and individual donors, the Foundation has raised over \$3 million for state-of-the-art equipment, advanced technology, new programs and education, and hospital service expansions for St. Francis Medical Center. With the combined funds from our car raffle, annual golf tournament with Thomas Morstead (Punter for the Saints) and his foundation What You Give Will Grow funds, and general donations made throughout the past year, we were able to give back \$500,000 to St. Francis Medical Center in support of our women and children's services with the purchase of the

following: NicView Streaming Camera System, Transport Isolette, Ultrasound, Table Top Warming Cabinet, Jaundice Meter, and Newborn Hearing Screener.

Funds raised from the 2018 car raffle in conjunction with the money from the 2019 golf tournament and general donations will help us to enhance the level of care for

## **Giving Opportunities:**

- **Gifts:** Annual and planned giving, securities, real estate, and in-kind gifts
- **Memorials:** Make a lasting tribute to remember a loved one
- Bricks: Path of Peace brick to commemorate a special occasion, in honor someone at an important milestone in life, or in memory of a loved one or friend
- Honor Your Caregiver: Thank those physicians and staff who played a meaning role in the healing of you or a loved one

## **Fundraisers and Events:**

- Event Sponsorship Opportunities: Annual golf tournament and "2 Cars 2 Winners" car raffle
- Third-Party Fundraisers: Host an event or program to benefit the Foundation

## Participation:

- Volunteer: Assist with various events and fundraisers
- Nurture: Rock newborns in the nursery and in the NICU through Rockin' Babies
- Gift: Use your "gifts and talents" by making such things as baby blankets and goody baskets or donate toys for pediatric patients and playroom, and books for NICU Library

critically ill newborns and pediatric patients by contributing funds toward a newly constructed 6 bed Level II PICU located in the pediatric unit and a helipad located next to our ER. St. Francis cares for the sickest of the sick and having a dedicated, highly trained physicians and transport team is critical when it comes to transporting critically

ill babies and children to and from the hospital. With the new helipad we will be able to do this in a timely manner because time is of the essence in these situations.

Every donation is a lifesaving gift that allows us to continue to fulfill the critical healthcare needs of our community. St. Francis

Medical Center is your hospital and without these gifts, vital technology and specialized services are at risk. Help give life a chance. Be a part of something incredible!

"When our twins were born 13 weeks early, the doctors, nurses and staff of the St. Francis NICU exceeded all our expectations. They truly treated our twins as their own which helped to ease our fears and anxiety as well as all other emotions that come with having a child in the NICU. Words can never express how thankful we are for them and how blessed our community is to have such an amazing NICU to care for our children." - Nick and Whitney Richardson- Monroe, LA

