

NorthShore University HealthSystem (NorthShore) remains grateful for your generous philanthropic support. Charitable gifts enable NorthShore to carry out a wide range of special projects while delivering exceptional, community-connected care. It is my pleasure to share this update with you on recent progress that has been impacted by donor support, and to thank you again for your investment—an investment that directly benefits the individuals, families and communities we care for.

Your investment in excellence at NorthShore has contributed greatly to the progress outlined inside. NorthShore's accomplishments are your accomplishments. We are truly grateful for your philanthropic support and the confidence you place in us. We hope you take pleasure and pride in knowing that you're playing such a vital role in helping everyone in our community be their best.

All my best,

Jennifer Tscherney Executive Director



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NorthShore System Expansion

January 1, 2022, marked the official merger of NorthShore with **Edward-Elmhurst Health**. This merger was rooted in the belief that by coming together, we could strengthen our deep commitment to community connection and expand regional access to leading-

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NorthShore Edward-Elmhurst

edge, expert care right in our patients' backyards. The combined system now includes 25,000 employees, 6,000 bestin-class physicians, an expansive network of nine hospitals and more than 300 ambulatory facilities. NorthShore – Edward-

Elmhurst Health is the third-largest health system in the state, serving an area with more than 4.2 million residents. Together, we embrace our shared mission to "*help everyone in our communities be their best*" while striving to fulfill our vision, to provide care that's *safe, seamless and personal for every person, every time.*

Evanston Hospital and the Community Health Center

NorthShore's Community Health Center, previously located inside Evanston Hospital, was relocated to the Cos Building across the street in a newly remodeled space that reflects the style and quality of NorthShore's many Medical Group practices. There, NorthShore attending physicians supervise residents and others who provide highquality primary and specialty care for individuals from the area who are uninsured or underinsured. These patients are often medically complex with underlying conditions such as heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, malnutrition and mental health illnesses in addition to experiencing poverty and limited access to reliable transportation.



A COVID-19 vaccine clinic was established in the space vacated by the Community Health Clinic, enabling NorthShore to provide vaccines and boosters for NorthShore team members and patients in a professional, efficient and safe setting as we continue to navigate the constantly evolving virus.

Glenbrook Hospital and the NorthShore Cardiovascular Institute Pavilion

In July, we broke ground on the first phase of construction for a new **Cardiovascular Institute (CVI) pavilion** at Glenbrook Hospital. The specialized surgical and treatment



facility will be a center of excellence that integrates top-tier medical talent, leadership, support staff and stateof-the-art technology in a dedicated environment. With this new hub, the NorthShore Cardiovascular Institute will

be regionally unrivaled in clinical care, patient and family experience, research, education, advocacy, community access and outreach.

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Highland Park Hospital

In fiscal year 2021, we performed 11,188 surgeries and 1,433 deliveries at Highland Park Hospital. We also completed numerous capital projects, including the cardiac catheterization lab, the interventional radiation recovery unit, a new outpatient pharmacy, a new NorthShore Kellogg Cancer Center pharmacy, a new outpatient laboratory, a remodel of patient unit 2 North, and the final phase of the Emergency Department remodel.

More importantly, we saw how team members at Highland Park Hospital and others at NorthShore Hospitals sprang into action on July 4, 2022, when tragedy struck. Our physicians and hospital staff demonstrated their commitment to the community by caring for and treating those directly affected by the mass shooting, and they came together to encourage and support healing in the weeks and months following.



Skokie Hospital and the NorthShore Orthopaedic & Spine Institute

Earlier this year, a newly renovated surgical unit with eight new state-of-the-art operating rooms, 26 pre- and post-surgery rooms, eight pre- and post-anesthesia recovery bays, a redesigned patient and family lounge, and a new sterile processing unit opened at NorthShore's Skokie Hospital. This brings the total to 20 operating rooms dedicated to orthopaedic and spine surgery in NorthShore's first specialty hospital. Each OR contains advanced robotic- and computer-assisted technologies that help surgeons deliver exceptional outcomes personalized to the specific anatomy of each patient. The additional rooms dedicate over 180,000 square feet to the campus of the specialty hospital, which performs more orthopaedic and spine surgeries than any other hospital in Illinois. Investments such as this have helped drive recognition for the NorthShore Orthopaedic & Spine Institute, which was recently ranked 29th in the nation by US News& World Report.



"Musculoskeletal conditions are the leading cause of disability in the United States. Adding operating rooms expands our mission as a destination hospital for the latest treatments in orthopaedic and spine conditions and provides greater access for patients."

> —Jason Koh, MD, MBA, Mark R. Neaman Family Chair of Orthopaedic Surgery

Kellogg Cancer Center 40th Anniversary

Over the past year, we marked the 40th anniversary of the Kellogg Cancer Center founded at Evanston Hospital in 1981 with locations at Glenbrook Hospital and Highland Park Hospital. After 40 years, we are proud that it remains at the forefront of treatment, diagnosis and prevention efforts for an ever-growing number of patients undergoing cancer treatment. Founded as an innovative, state-of-the-art community cancer center, it now offers the most advanced, collaborative cancer treatments available. Our expert multidisciplinary teams include medical, surgical and radiation oncologists as well as nurses, pharmacists, geneticists, nutritionists, mental health professionals and more. We're excited to provide some of the most innovative cancer treatments around, including immunotherapy—and beginning this fall, CAR T-cell therapy, which harnesses one's own immune system to fight blood cancers.

We receive many touching messages from patients and families whose lives are changed by Kellogg Cancer Center, including this one from a longtime patient's daughter:

"Dr. [Lynne] Kaminer treated my mother for over 30 years for a variety of blood disorders. My mother lived until last fall. I was very thankful to have her with me until she was 95 years old. I know she would not have lived so long if it were not for Dr. Kaminer's expertise! Dr. Kaminer is kind, patient and brilliant! Thank you, Dr. Kaminer, for being there for my mom and for her family."



Community Investment Initiative

Both NorthShore and Edward-Elmhurst Health announced the creation of community



investment funds (CIFs) with each organization committing \$100 million to their respective communities. These funds will each generate millions of dollars in annual interest that will directly support partnerships with organizations working to enhance health equity and wellbeing and advance local economic growth. The first CIF awards were granted earlier this year and we are currently reviewing 80 applications for the upcoming funding cycle.

