

Door County CARES



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DOOR COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER FOUNDATION NEWS

Ensuring our
community's access to

EXCEPTIONAL HEALTHCARE,
now and in the future.



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Hopeful Highlights

The beginning of 2023 comes with a sense of optimism as well as urgency. With news of the COVID-19 Pandemic slowing, our attention has turned to the physical and mental wellbeing of our community in the wake of the last three years of upheaval. Addressing the growing needs of our community is daunting, but we have faith that through hard work and the dedication of our donors, we will be able to overcome these challenges. We are eternally grateful for all of those who recognize the value of Door County Medical Center and continue to offer the much needed support.

\$3,000,000

The Behavioral Health Campaign will begin this summer with a goal to raise **\$3,000,000**

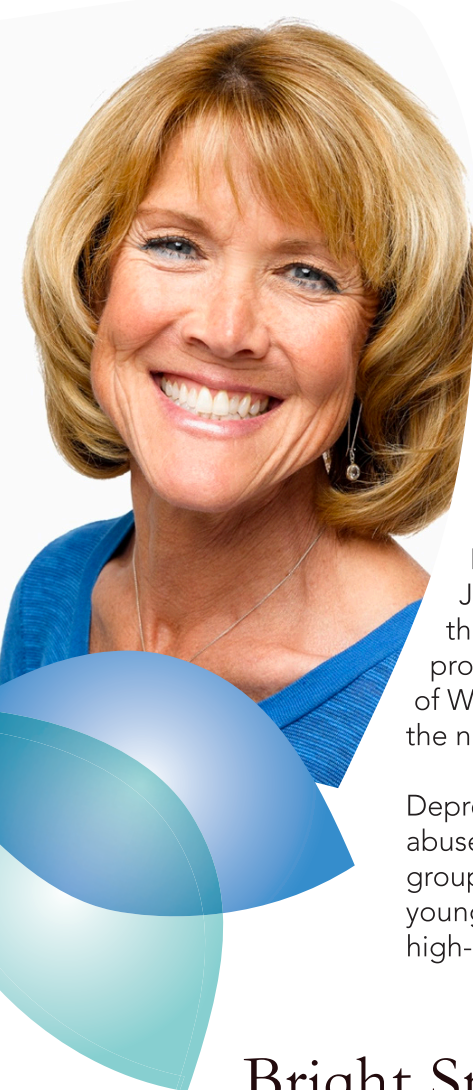
\$250,000

\$250,000 was raised in support of the Door County Medical Center Dental Clinic

\$58,000

Over **\$58,000** was raised during the Auxiliary Angel Scholarship Gala to support healthcare related scholarships

Barb Johnson-Giese,
DCMC Behavioral Health Coordinator



Total Health

Addressing the Behavioral Health Crisis in Our Community

Across the country, mental health has increasingly become a health emergency. The COVID-19 Pandemic magnified this problem and has pushed the nation and the world into a mental health crisis. Door County has not been exempt from this crisis.

"Access to behavioral health services in our community is a significant issue," Door County Medical Center's (DCMC's) Behavioral Health Coordinator, Barb Johnson-Giese, said. "In Door County, the ratio of population to mental health providers is 715:1. The ratio in the state of WI is currently 440:1, which ranks 34th in the nation."

Depression, anxiety and drug and alcohol abuse have risen astronomically in all age groups, but especially among children, young adults and senior citizens. Providing high-quality behavioral health treatment

is something medical centers across the country struggle with. Fortunately for Door County residents, DCMC has been quick to identify the array of challenges that often leave patients and practitioners alike distraught.

To combat this, DCMC has put together a comprehensive strategy to strengthen and expand the Behavioral Health Program and the Foundation has pledged to help make it a reality.

Our goal is to raise \$3 million to help accomplish this ambitious plan and improve the mental wellbeing and the lives of our community members.

Your support will help us strengthen this vital service and ensure that every member of our community receives the behavioral health care they deserve. Learn more about the Behavioral Health Campaign by visiting www.dcmmedical.org/foundation/behavioral-health-program.

Bright Smiles

Door County Medical Center Dental Clinic Annual Campaign

The DCMC Dental Clinic is the only clinic of its kind in Door and Kewaunee Counties. It provides dental care to youth, adults and seniors that are underserved, on Medicaid/BadgerCare Plus, that are disabled and/or are considered low income through a variety of services including restorations, root canals, extractions, oral health education, X-rays and preventative care (cleanings and fluoride varnish).

We know that our community understands that when an individual suffers from poor oral health it can have a negative impact

on their lives in a multitude of ways. The DCMC Dental Clinic is vital to addressing the lack of oral health care considered to be an epidemic throughout Wisconsin. In the last year, the clinic provided over 5,000 appointments to people in our communities who otherwise would not receive it.

In order to continue to serve, we set a goal to raise \$250,000 every year to cover deficits Medicaid reimbursement does not cover. We are happy to report that we met our goal through grant writing, our annual appeal and the annual Tooth Fairy Fundraiser.

We know that our community needs the DCMC Dental Clinic and with your support, it will always be there. Smile on!



Bright Futures

Auxiliary Health Care Scholarship Fund

The Auxiliary Health Care Scholarship Fund provides scholarships to local high school students planning to pursue healthcare careers and prior graduates who are continuing their healthcare education.

Thanks to the generosity of our Auxiliary members, DCMC employees, and our generous community, since last year, over \$58,000 has been raised to support the scholarship fund.

While donors can contribute to the fund at any time, one of the largest events of the year, The Angel Scholarship Gala on October 21, 2023, is an opportunity to wine, dine, dance and socialize while supporting this incredible cause. Don't miss it!



Allison Alberts,
DCMC employee and
recipient of the Angel Scholarship

"Knowing I had numerous donors from the DCMC Auxiliary supporting and encouraging me on my desired path to become a physician someday made such a substantial difference in my life. I am so thankful to now be working at DCMC during my gap year. This scholarship has helped me on my journey, and I am glad to be giving back to the community that provided me wonderful support during my college years."

—Allison Alberts

Door County Medical Center Auxiliary Contributes 14,800 Volunteer Hours

The DCMC Auxiliary is an invaluable partner to the Foundation through fundraising and volunteer work. The DCMC Auxiliary logged over 14,800 volunteer hours in 2022. This is the equivalent of \$370,000 in labor costs.



Are you interested in volunteering?
Visit dcmedical.org/auxiliary for more information.

On the Horizon

Watch for information on these upcoming events!

16th Annual Queen for a Day Golf Outing—
Monday, June 26th at Idlewild Golf Course.
Proceeds benefit the David Spude Cancer Center
Endowment Fund and Door CANcer, Inc.

62nd Auxiliary House & Garden Walk—
Tuesday, July 25th. Proceeds benefit the
Behavioral Health Campaign.

27th Annual Golf Marathon—
Wednesday, August 30th at The Orchards Golf
Course. Proceeds benefit the Behavioral Health
Campaign.

Angel Scholarship Gala—
Saturday, October 21st at Stone Harbor Resort.
Proceeds to benefit the Auxiliary Health Care
Scholarship Program.

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Founded in 1990, the Door County Medical Center Foundation ensures our community's access to state-of-the-art, outstanding healthcare by developing and managing giving opportunities. Since its inception, the foundation has raised over \$35 million, funding continual updates to the facilities at Door County Medical Center and providing services to those most in need.

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