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IN THE FIGHT
AGAINST
HEART DISEASE

IMPACT REPORT 2021



OKLAHOMA
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WE'LL NEVER STOP FIGHTING FOR YOU

THE PAST TWO YEARS have been full of extraordinary challenges. Yet among those challenges, we witnessed countless moments of perseverance, resilience, and hope. I watched true heroes in scrubs work tirelessly at the Oklahoma Heart Hospital to help our community face a dangerous foe in COVID-19. They bravely came to work at substantial risk and personal sacrifice.

Despite all the obstacles and unknowns, we knew one thing was certain: heart disease would not wait for a global pandemic to end. Our patients were still battling heart disease and still needed access to the best treatment options available.

Although it felt like the world stopped at times, we hope you can find comfort in knowing that we have been here for you every step of the way. Our clinical trials carried on, our patient support continued, and our values remained the same.

When we founded the Oklahoma Heart Hospital in 2002, we felt it was very important to support cardiovascular research. In addition to the obvious societal benefit, it also keeps our physicians engaged in cutting-edge cardiovascular care. We have been involved in numerous research projects that have improved the care for all cardiovascular patients, and we refused to let the pandemic change that.

In 2014, we subsequently saw a need in the community to provide care for less fortunate individuals so that they could also access the same high level of care. Our Clinic for the Uninsured is the only subspecialty cardiovascular free clinic in the state, and as you can imagine, with so many Oklahomans losing their jobs and insurance due to the pandemic, the need has never been greater.

As we take a moment to reflect on the past year, I hope you know that we are truly grateful for your meaningful support. Your donations gave life to the stories in this report and will allow us to keep moving forward in the fight against heart disease – and nothing the world throws our way will change that.

Gratefully,



John Harvey, MD
Oklahoma Heart Hospital CEO
OHHRF Board Member & Volunteer



OUR MISSION

Help patients fighting heart disease live better and longer lives



RESEARCH

Helping fight heart disease by advancing clinical research



CLINIC FOR THE UNINSURED

Supporting Oklahoma's only free specialty clinic for the uninsured



PATIENT SUPPORT

Providing essential items for patients in need through the Good Samaritan Fund



EDUCATION

Providing crucial continuing education for healthcare workers

OVER 30 YEARS AGO, a group of Oklahoma cardiologists began asking the important questions:

- Why does heart disease exist?
- How do these diseases develop and worsen?
- How can we find new ways to fight our nation's #1 killer?

They knew that only by asking questions like these and pursuing the answers would progress be made towards the improved health of our society.

And that's when our fight against heart disease began.

The Oklahoma Heart Hospital Research Foundation (OHHRF) was created with the sole purpose of cardiovascular research and has since developed and expanded programs to meet the ever-changing needs of our patients.

Today, we serve the whole heart of Oklahoma through innovation and compassionate care in four key areas: clinical trials, education, patient support, and the Clinic for the Uninsured. Through research, we are striving to develop the next generation of care and treatments to provide hope and healing to patients battling heart disease.

More treatments are working. More breakthroughs are happening. And more patients are getting what they need most – precious time.

You see, there is a human aspect to the fight against heart disease that is personal to us all. Giving grandparents more time with their grandkids and families more holidays together is what makes our hard work worthwhile – it's what drives us to keep asking the important questions and searching for answers.

As OHHRF enters its third decade of success, we look forward to the continuous and exceptional discovery in research, education, and service.

Today, heart disease is deadly. But with support from generous donors like you, we can create a better tomorrow together.

Creating a better tomorrow... saving lives today.

RESEARCH

PRECISION THERAPIES. CUTTING-EDGE DEVICES. INNOVATIVE PROCEDURES.

OHHRF CONTINUES to dream big and look towards the future of cardiovascular care. The horizon is full of endless possibilities and new ways to fight heart disease, but this progress takes time, dedication, and perseverance – and you can rest assured that nothing will stop us from rising to the challenge.

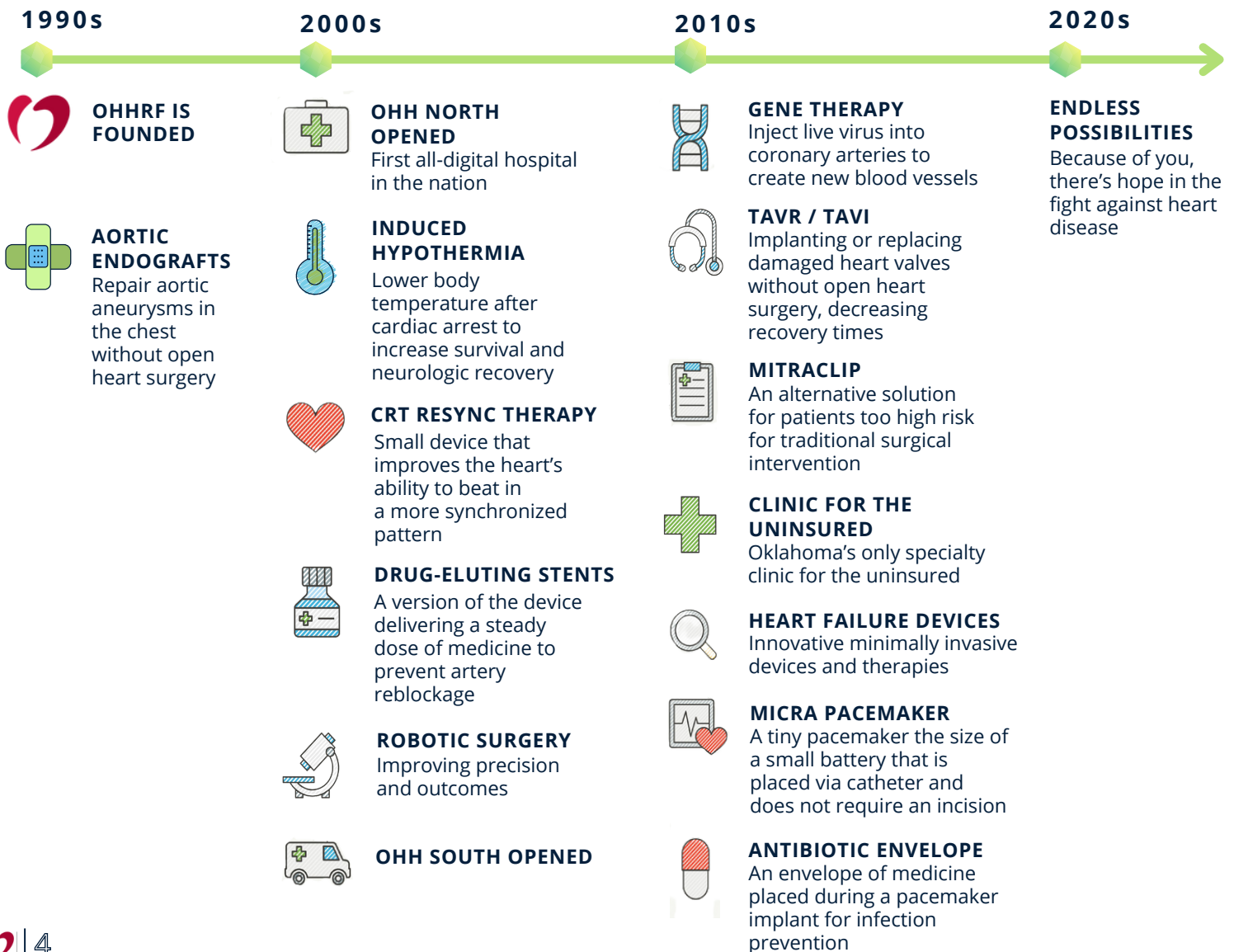
We're not just envisioning the treatments of tomorrow. OHHRF has worked tirelessly for over 30 years to make those visions become a reality by taking strategic steps one patient, one study at a time. Clinical trials are the stepping stones that pave the way to finding solutions that help today's patients and future generations.

Every drug and device that is now the standard of care had to first go through clinical trials before achieving FDA approval. These trials are the key to opening doors for patients who have run out of treatment options and don't qualify for standard therapies. Trials give them hope, possible solutions, and more precious time with their families.

With your support, more dreams can become reality and more lives can ultimately be saved.

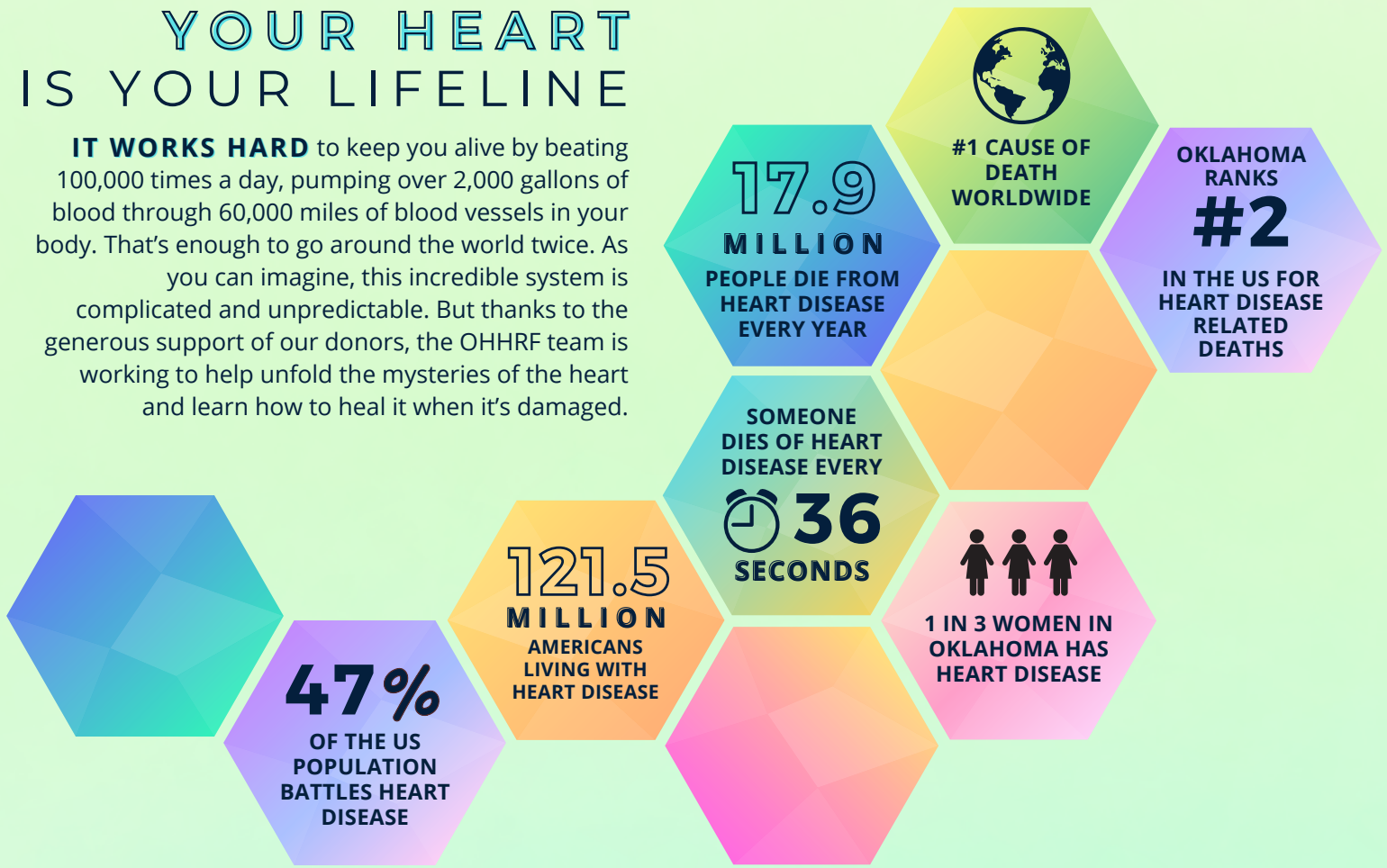
This is only the beginning of our journey.

OUR JOURNEY



YOUR HEART IS YOUR LIFELINE

IT WORKS HARD to keep you alive by beating 100,000 times a day, pumping over 2,000 gallons of blood through 60,000 miles of blood vessels in your body. That's enough to go around the world twice. As you can imagine, this incredible system is complicated and unpredictable. But thanks to the generous support of our donors, the OHHRF team is working to help unfold the mysteries of the heart and learn how to heal it when it's damaged.



CLINICAL TRIALS INVESTIGATED

device studies

- New drug-coated balloons for vascular disease
- Flexible endoprosthesis and stent to help treat aneurysms
- The percutaneous placement of the MitraClip to repair a leaking valve
- Building a repository of heart signals for algorithm development
- An electrocardiography belt as a diagnostic tool
- Using small anchors to help remodel the heart after cardiac arrest
- A new aortic valve for open heart surgery
- Use of aortic transcatheter valves in place of open heart surgery
- A self-expanding valve as an alternative to open heart surgery
- A device designed to repair the mitral valve with no open heart surgery
- A procedure aiming to improve the structure and function of the heart and provide treatment possibilities for heart failure patients
- Use of a transcatheter mitral valve for symptomatic patients with mitral regurgitation
- Non-surgical implantation of a mitral contour system for patients with mitral regurgitation due to heart failure
- A technique using a device to sand the calcium in a blocked artery prior to stent placement
- Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement to unload the left ventricle
- A transcatheter valve repair system designed to repair the tricuspid valve without open heart surgery
- Adaptive therapy to detect patterns in the heart's contraction and automatically adjust an ICD device

drug studies

- A trial testing whether Empagliflozin could lower the risk of heart failure and death after a heart attack
- Evaluating if cholesterol-lowering drugs for patients that are statin intolerant reduce the risk of cardiovascular events
- A new anticoagulation drug option for patients with mechanical heart valves

drug and device studies

- A procedure designed to calm overactive kidney nerves for patients struggling to control their blood pressure despite taking medication

technology studies

- A wireless insertable cardiac monitor (ICM) for patients experiencing infrequent symptoms
- An app-base study using data collected from insertable cardiac monitors (ICMs) aimed to address unanswered questions around atrial fibrillation

A PRICELESS GIFT



FOR OVER 40 YEARS, Mrs. Lucille Fancey was a part of the OKC metro's heartbeat. She and her daughter Joy operated a horse-riding center for disabled children. That was until 2011, when Mrs. Fancey developed severe congestive heart failure. Her aortic valve needed to be replaced, but she was too frail for open heart surgery at 90 years old. At the time, OHH was one of the first hospitals in the nation and the first in our state to offer the TAVR procedure, Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement, a new minimally invasive technique for replacing the most critical valve in the heart without open heart surgery.

Thanks to OHHRF and the support of generous donors, Mrs. Fancey was one of the very first patients to undergo the TAVR procedure through a clinical trial at OHH. *"I believe it's important to always look for ways to improve the quality of our patients' lives. Research brings innovation and allows us to help our patients by providing the most cutting-edge treatments,"* said Dr. Mohammad Ghani, OHHRF Board Member and one of the Principal Investigators on the TAVR trial. After a short recovery, she was soon back in the saddle. Mrs. Fancey was able to work with her beloved children and horses for the following decade until she passed away in 2020. Her family is still full of such immense gratitude for the extra years together that they recently made a donation in memory of Mrs. Fancey to honor their heart heroes.

“ Dr. Ghani and the surgical team doctors gave my mother, Mrs. Fancey, an extra ten years of life with the aortic valve replacement through a leg vein and later adding a pacemaker. THANK YOU!

-Joy Milligan, Mrs. Fancey's Daughter



SUPPORT FROM DONORS PROVIDED THE TAVR TRIAL.
TAVR GAVE THEIR FAMILY PRECIOUS TIME.

That gift is priceless.

GOOD SAMARITAN FUND

*"As a Case Manager, I see the needs of our patients on a daily basis. The money donated helps purchase scales for congestive heart failure patients to weigh themselves, which can **help prevent readmission**. Patients have accidents when they come in or get blood on their clothes. We can provide either pants or a top to **help patients get home with dignity**. For some families, the drive from a rural town to pick up their loved one can take all of their money. We can provide a gas card to help them get home. **By giving to this program, many people can be served.**" -Jean, OHH South Case Manager*

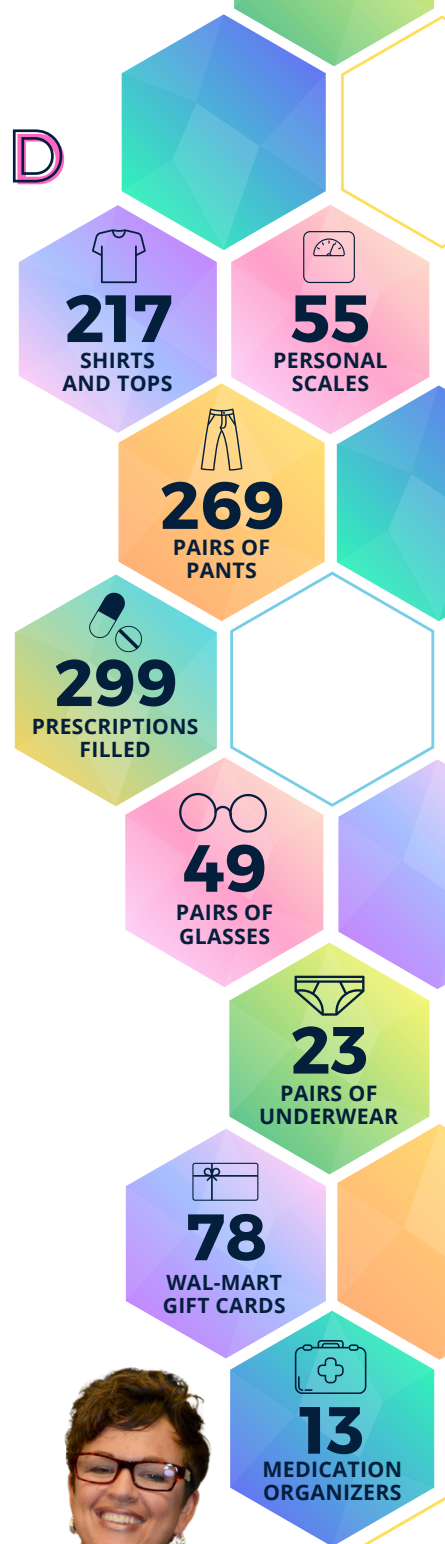
PATIENTS BEING ADMITTED to the hospital often have nothing more than the clothes on their backs when they arrive. Once admitted, Case Management identifies their greatest needs and uses the Good Samaritan Fund to provide them with essential items like clothing, medications, gift cards for gas, and scales.

Over the past year, we have seen a drastic increase in patients who lost their jobs, are in-between jobs, or are stuck with a health insurance plan that basically only covers catastrophic events. They desperately need help wrapping their minds around a newfound health crisis and the complicated healthcare system. These are good people who are genuinely trying to do the right thing – stay out of the ER – and get their health back on track. But in the end, how could this ever be possible for these patients without the resources to make it happen?

Patients like John – a Marshallese patient with no insurance that needed full-time care after being discharged. Luckily, he had family in Oklahoma that could care for him at home, but they needed a hospital bed to make this happen. The Good Samaritan Fund helped purchase the hospital bed, providing him with an affordable option to help on his long road to recovery.

Patients like Evelyn – a self-pay patient who was at risk of falling at home but could not afford the cost of a walker. The Good Samaritan Fund was able to provide her with a standard bariatric rolling walker to help ensure that she can walk around safely in her house.

The Good Samaritan Fund is like a 'just in time' emergency fund that patients didn't know they had, and it can benefit them in tremendous ways. From providing a blood pressure cuff for home, getting expensive prescriptions filled, or a gas card to make the long trip home, patients cry with tears of gratitude over something that most of us may take for granted but is such a blessing to them. These small acts of kindness help alleviate the worry about affording necessary items and allow patients to focus on healing, all thanks to the support of our generous donors.



577 PATIENTS HELPED *because of you!*

CLINIC FOR THE UNINSURED

MELISSA'S HEALTH STARTED TO FAIL.

She was an active mother and grandmother when she started experiencing heart issues. After things didn't improve over time, she finally decided to visit the emergency room to get some much-needed relief. Melissa received the devastating news that she had heart failure and only 30% heart function. Her team of doctors jumped into action, immediately implanted a defibrillator, and after a week-long hospital stay, she went home to begin her long road to recovery.

As luck would have it, this unfortunate chain of events caused Melissa to lose her job. She had no idea how she would ever be able to afford follow-up care to monitor her new device and new diagnosis.

Thankfully, Melissa's care team referred her to the Clinic for the Uninsured (CFU) where she was seen by the clinic team within the next week. She now visits the clinic regularly to monitor her heart failure and is extremely grateful for the compassionate care, provided testing, and prescription assistance the CFU offers.



All of this started when I was 40. It has been very scary. I don't know what I would do without the clinic... I would be in trouble. It has helped me so much. -Melissa



It was Dr. Zaheer Baber's empathy for patients like Melissa that sparked his determination to create the clinic. With the number of heart disease diagnoses escalating in Oklahoma, he felt that the time was right to help these underserved patients. In 2014, Oklahoma's first and only free specialty clinic for the uninsured opened in Midwest City thanks to a partnership between OHHRF and Mercy.



It is my great honor to be part of a dedicated group of physicians who volunteer for the Research Foundation's many programs. These physicians give their precious time to serve the most needy among us.

-Zaheer Baber, MD, Interventional Cardiologist, OHHRF Volunteer & Donor

The CFU gives our most vulnerable Oklahomans access to preventative care, diagnostic testing, and therapeutic interventions, which ultimately gives them crucial answers and options before it's too late. All CFU patients are ineligible for Medicare and Medicaid, most of whom fall in the category of the "working poor" - making too much to qualify for government assistance, yet not enough to afford private health insurance. Many come from a working household but don't receive employer benefits or are self-employed, forcing them to make tough choices between spending their hard-earned income on feeding their families or buying health insurance.

Before the Clinic for the Uninsured opened, these patients found it very difficult to receive a referral or to afford specialty care. They often waited up to six months for an appointment, which forced them to visit the emergency room for their main source of care once symptoms became unmanageable.

ER visits for uninsured patients drive up healthcare costs for everyone, but easier access to specialty care decreases those costs statewide.

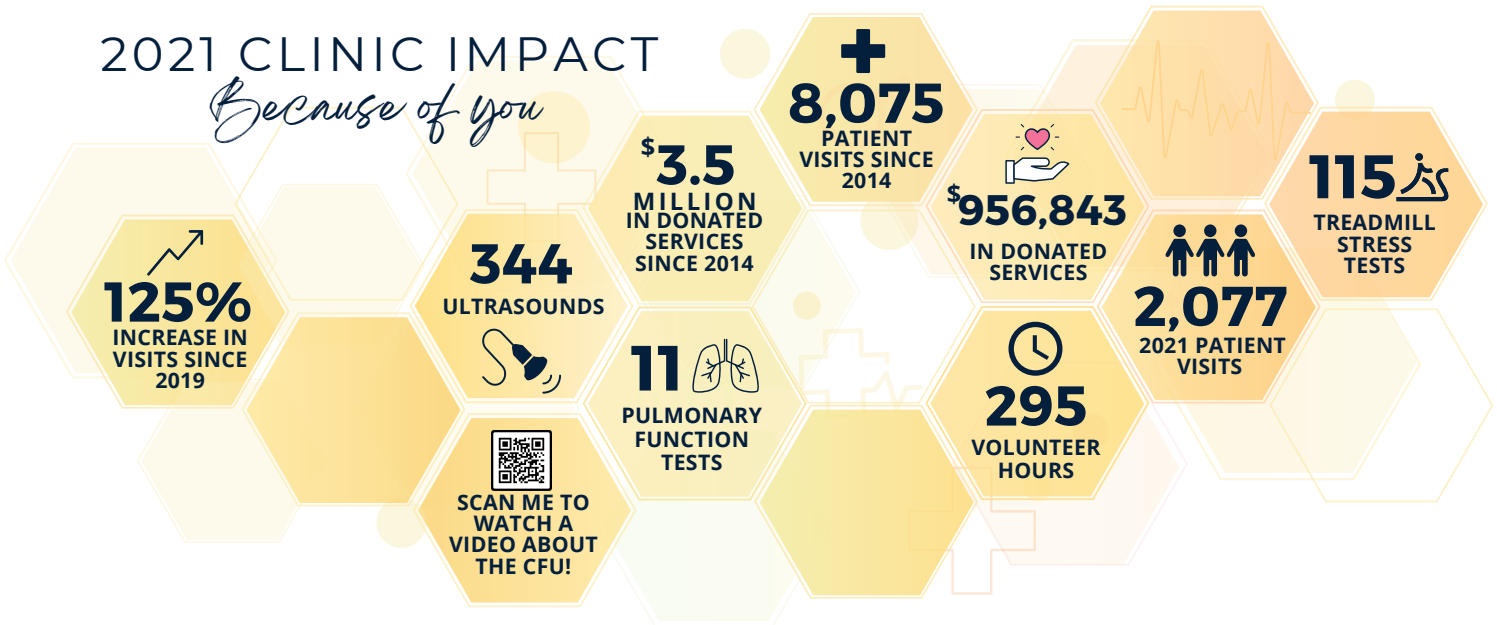
OHHRF IS HELPING BREAK THIS CYCLE.

Thanks to our volunteer physicians and donors, the number of patients served continues to grow. The clinic served 380 patients in 2014 and has grown to over 2,077 patients in 2021. Since its inception, the CFU has helped over 8,000 patients and has provided over \$3.5 million in services. Now, it's important you know that these are not just numbers. These are patients who finally received answers through compassionate care, hope in the form of treatment options, and whose lives were ultimately saved. Patients like Melissa wouldn't have the opportunity to improve their overall health outcomes if it weren't for the support from amazing donors like you!



2021 CLINIC IMPACT

Because of you



MEET THE CLINIC TEAM

We are so thankful for the volunteers, staff and medical team that help make the Clinic for the Uninsured possible!

Volunteer Physicians

CARDIOLOGY

M. Naveed Ahmed, MD
Nabhan Alnabhan, MD
Zaheer Baber, MD
Vivek Bhaktaram, MD
John Harvey, MD
Jerome Mathias, MD
Kevin Miller, MD
Brook Scott, MD
Parker Truong, MD
Soni Zacharias, MD

ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY

Paul Garabelli, MD

NEPHROLOGY

Wudeneh Zewdie, MD

PULMONOLOGY

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Shannon Clostio, MA/MS
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Kerry Curtis, RN
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Monica Swinford,
Sonographer
Melody Thompson, RN
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Melanie Wilson, MA

Clinic Staff

Kylie Uribe, Clinic Supervisor
Amanda Spencer, APRN-CNP

This clinic is a lifeline thrown to a drowning person. Being uninsured in today's world with heart problems is like being thrown overboard without a life jacket. The help of the CFU is immeasurable.

-CFU Patient



CFU Clinic Staff: Amanda Spencer, APRN (left) and Kylie Uribe (right)

Giving Hearts CIRCLE

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to our amazing members of the Giving Hearts Circle, a collection of donors giving \$1,000 or more in 2021. Because of you, OHHRF can continue to save and improve the lives of those battling heart disease. We are so grateful for your support!

\$100,000+

Oklahoma Heart Hospital

\$50,000-\$99,999

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THE GIFT OF LIFE by Carlos Tello

CARLOS TELLO'S HEALTH began to deteriorate, and he was desperate for answers. When he sought a second opinion from Dr. Raghav Gupta at the Oklahoma Heart Hospital, further testing revealed that he had severe coronary artery disease. One week later, Dr. Jeff Garrett performed a successful bypass surgery.

At his follow-up appointment, Mr. Tello's wife told Dr. Gupta that he was depressed and didn't have much drive to do anything. He felt like he was just extremely sick and could never get back to where he was a year ago. This concerned Dr. Gupta, and he knew that although he had done everything he could do to help heal Mr. Tello's heart, he needed to help Mr. Tello find his passion for life.

"I started asking his wife about his life and found out that he is an acclaimed muralist, potter, and painter. During the Oklahoma Centennial celebrations, he was chosen and commissioned for a mural in the Oklahoma State Capitol. I reached out to him and encouraged him to paint – because he loved to do that – and suggested that the painting be about his experience as a heart patient. I just wanted him to have some motivation to start something and find his calling again. He thought it was a great idea and he promised to do that."

And Mr. Tello kept his promise. He poured his heart and soul into a symbolic painting filled with meaningful, intricate details about his journey as a heart patient. When Mr. Tello presented it to Dr. Gupta as a token of appreciation, he said,

“ This is a painting from my heart to yours as I cannot thank you enough for what I have been given. ”

Mr. Tello seemed like a new man, and his wife was very thankful for the idea of him painting again as it gave him a reason to get up and do something every day. *"It was extremely satisfying to see the energy in him,"* said Dr. Gupta.

"It was overwhelming and surreal to see such depth of gratitude and signifies the impact our care has on individuals who need help. It also reminds us to remain humble and grateful to have the opportunity to serve our community."

Dr. Gupta generously purchased the painting and donated it to the OHH Research Foundation so that it can be displayed at its rightful home – the place that helped give Mr. Tello the gift of life.



The **'person'** in the middle represents everyone who took care of him. The **spark** in their hands is the gift of life that they gave him. The **beating heart** is placed on the **head of the 'person'** – it signifies the immense knowledge about the heart needed to provide the best care possible, and Mr. Tello received that. The **colors** around the person are the arteries and veins that carry the life force. The **spherical structure** in the bottom left corner is the Universe, because we all are part of one universe.



IN LOVING MEMORY

gone but never forgotten

OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS, we lost loved ones, friends, and co-workers as the pandemic lingered on, often without being able to say goodbye. Through the heartache, many chose to remember loved ones by making a memorial donation – a beautiful way to honor a life well-lived and continue their legacy by helping heal the hearts of future generations.

Below is a list of all memorial donations from 2020-2021. After two years filled with great loss, we chose to recognize all memorial gifts made during the pandemic to remember loved ones taken too soon.

Joy Adams

Clinton Adams

Peggy Jo Akins

Bert Akins

Kenneth L. Armstrong

E. Ann Armstrong

Elizabeth Barber

Norman & Annette Barber

Leslie T. Barber

Joan Barber

Dale Bettes

Carol Bettes

Rolland & Wilma Proberts

Wilburton Senior Citizens

Center

Carol Black

Walter & Debbie White

Jim Bowles

Anonymous

Charlie & Sue Gorman

Coy L. Patterson

Dixon Fleming

Keith and Tad Hall

Norma Anderson

Randy & Linda Kotecha

The Ayers Sisters

The Class of 1959

Billy Brawner

Eddie Roethermel & Steven

Davis

Charles Brock

Johnye Murphy

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Larry & Marilyn Dresser

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Sally Preston

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Larry Cumpton

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Don Williams

Joe & Phyllis Winton

Dan & LeaAnn Pettigrew

THE WILLIAMS FAMILY *Donor Spotlight*

SHANE AND CASSIE Williams tragically lost their father, Charles Foughty, after a 23-day battle with Covid in January 2021. Due to the strict visitation policies at the time, he was forced to battle the virus alone in a local hospital, but thankfully during his final hours, an iPad helped Mr. Foughty virtually connect with his family.

"We prayed with him, told him we loved him, we sang with him and played music for him. You could watch on his heart rate monitor, it would go up," Shane said.¹

Being able to see their father via the iPad made a very difficult time somewhat easier on the family, and they wanted the same for others with loved ones battling Covid alone.

"We got to say our last goodbyes to him," said Cassie. *"It would have been hard to have closure had we not been able to do that."*²

The Williams family created a GoFundMe page and began collecting donations to purchase iPads for local hospitals to honor Mr. Foughty. After far surpassing their goal, they donated 43 iPads to 10 local hospitals and one nursing home, which included 4 iPads for OHH North and 4 iPads for OHH South!

Shane and Cassie delivered the iPads and revealed a special touch – every iPad was engraved with Mr. Foughty's name and rank in the Air Force – a beautiful way to help keep his memory alive. We are so grateful to the Williams family for honoring Mr. Foughty by making a positive impact in our patients' lives.



OUR DEEPEST GRATITUDE

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to the families of the individuals below for choosing OHHRF to be a recipient of memorial gifts in lieu of flowers. OHHRF is privileged to continue their legacies by making a difference in the lives of those fighting heart disease.



THE DASH *by Linda Ellis*

*I read of a man who stood to speak
At the funeral of a friend.
He referred to the dates on the tombstone
From the beginning...to the end.*

*He noted that first came the date of birth
And spoke the following date with tears,
But he said what mattered most of all
Was the dash between those years.*

*For that dash represents all the time
That they spent alive on earth
And now only those who loved them
Know what that little line is worth.*

1. Dr. James "Jim" Dyll (1931-2021), 2. Autry Hill (1926-2020), 3. Loynita "Nita" Marvel Spillmeier (1937-2021), 4. Mary Lou Hlubin (1937-2021), 5. Anne Rainbolt (1932-2021), 6. Lurman Helwer (1951-2020), 7. Carol Gifford Gaston (1946-2020), 8. Paul Bruce Hill (1944-2020), 9. Billy D. Givens (1961-2020)

¹ Family Donates 43 iPads To Hospitals To Help Patients Connect With Family. News 9, 2021

² OKC Firefighter Fundraising For Virtual Hospital Visits After Losing Father To COVID-19. The Blitz Tulsa, 2021

HOW WILL YOU LEAVE YOUR

Legacy?

JOIN THE OHHRF LEGACY SOCIETY

You can now fulfill your philanthropic goals and discover more ways to give without impacting your current financial resources. If you are looking for a way to leave a legacy that will last beyond a lifetime, consider naming OHHRF as a direct beneficiary in your will, trust, insurance policy, or retirement plan.



PLANNED GIVING: THE BENEFITS

- Some investments in OHHRF "give back" to you and can provide extra retirement income
- Add meaning to your gift by honoring someone special
- Defer or reduce your taxes
- Help current and future patients by supporting important research while maximizing the financial advantages available to you

Above all, when you leave a legacy gift, you partner with OHHRF as we explore, discover – even transform – the world of cardiovascular care, and share the rewards through a return on investment measured in innovation for generations to come.

EXAMPLES OF PLANNED GIFTS

GIFTS THROUGH YOUR ESTATE

Gifts made after your lifetime through wills or trusts are commonly known as bequests. They are easy to arrange, can be changed at your discretion, and allow you to make a significant gift while reducing estate taxes.

GIFTS THROUGH RETIREMENT PLAN OR IRA

Designating OHHRF as the beneficiary of your retirement plan or IRA is a simple and effective way to give. Whatever remains in these plans after you are gone is subject to both income and estate taxes, making it an expensive asset for your heirs.

NAMING GIFTS TO LEAVE A LEGACY

You can also honor others – a family member, friend, or respected physician – by naming your gift. Opportunities include naming a research fund or perhaps a room, clinic, or area of the Oklahoma Heart Hospital. Contact us for more information about levels and criteria to help you honor someone special.

GIFTS THAT GIVE BACK TO YOU

There are several different types of income-producing gifts, each with different benefits and requirements. Some examples include Charitable Gift Annuities, Charitable Remainder Trusts, and Charitable Lead Trusts. These types of gifts offer many advantages by providing tax savings, charitable deductions, and regular payments to you and your spouse or partner for life.

To leave a legacy gift, simply use the following language:

"I give to the Oklahoma Heart Hospital Research Foundation, EIN #73-1455900, a nonprofit corporation in Oklahoma, a specific sum of (\$) or (%) of my estate to be used to continue its mission."

Please contact us if you have already included OHHRF in your estate plans.

Let us help you leave your legacy

A LIFE FULL OF *meaning and purpose*

The hallways of the Oklahoma Heart Hospital are always filled with laughter when John “Woody” Woodson is here to visit. The feisty 82-year-old Oklahoma City native has been coming to OHH for as long as he can remember. One of Woody’s first experiences at OHH was back in the 90s when he met Dr. Chris Kerns while caring for his mother.

“I was always really impressed with him and how he cared for my mom, so I decided I’d better become his patient as well since heart problems run in my family,” Woody recalled.

And the timing couldn’t have been better. A handful of concerning test results caught Dr. Kerns’ attention right from the start. He kept a very close eye on Woody for the next few years, but this ultimately landed Woody a date for open-heart surgery followed by a week-long hospital stay. It was during his recovery that Woody experienced top-notch care and gained an even higher admiration for OHH.

The next 20 years were filled with many more milestones – a stent, heart cath, a few ablations, monthly labs, visits with his favorite cardiologist – and endless moments of gratitude.

Dr. Kerns will soon be closing the chapter on his time at OHH and enjoying a well-deserved retirement – and Woody just had to thank him in person one final time. There in the hallway at OHH, they told stories, shared memories, and of course, a few laughs.

Then one final handshake. Words of gratitude. A genuine farewell.

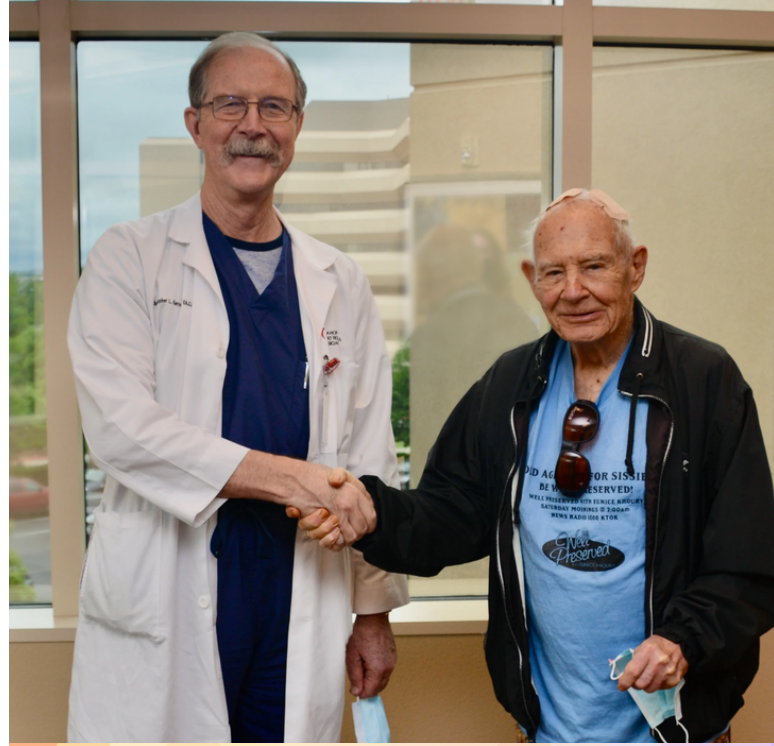
“I wish you a retirement full of meaning and purpose, Dr. Kerns. That’s all that really counts in life,”

Woody said, sharing advice he also tries to live by. As Woody walked away, he reminisced about the decades of memories with Dr. Kerns at OHH.

“I honestly believe that Dr. Kerns and the Oklahoma Heart Hospital are the reason I’m alive today,” he said with a grateful heart. You see, after everything he’s been through, each trip around the sun truly feels like a particular blessing.

“In my humble opinion, OHH is one of the best things that has ever happened to me.”

-Woody



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-John “Woody” Woodson

In turn, Woody longed to show his appreciation by doing something full of meaning and purpose. He dreamed of giving back to a place that has made a lasting impact on his life – a place that has added not only years to his life but life to his years. However, providing that support now is simply not an option for him.

“I truly do believe in Oklahoma Heart Hospital and the OHH Research Foundation, and I really would love to be a donor every month, but I just can’t. I’m a guy that just put all my money into savings and investments.”

While giving today may not be a possibility for Woody, he found a different way to show his gratitude: leaving a legacy. He graciously named OHHRF as a beneficiary of half of his TD Ameritrade stock portfolio – a gift that allows Woody to sprinkle his gratitude throughout the halls of OHH long after he is gone.

A legacy full of *meaning and purpose.*

SURVIVING AGAINST ALL ODDS

ED ANDERSON SPENT 155 DAYS AT OKLAHOMA HEART FIGHTING FOR HIS LIFE - FROM HALLOWEEN TO EASTER - CAN YOU IMAGINE?

Life can change in an instant. For Ed and Judy Anderson, that life-changing moment came when they both unexpectedly tested positive for COVID in October 2020, long before vaccines were available. They were in shock, unsure of how it could happen to them after taking every precaution. In fact, they didn't even know anyone who had tested positive at the time.

Judy had only mild cold-like symptoms and recovered quickly. Ed wasn't so fortunate.

He started struggling to breathe and lacked enough air to speak. With worry in her heart, Judy called their OHH care team, led by Dr. John Randolph, for advice. He agreed it was time to get Ed some much-needed help. The Andersons packed a bag and drove over 100 miles to the hospital they trusted the most, the Oklahoma Heart Hospital. After 10 days at OHH, they returned to Ada and hoped he could recover at home.

But Ed took a turn for the worse. After just one week at home, they made the journey back to OHH and prayed that they'd only be there for a few days. Then days slowly became weeks, and weeks turned into months.

“ It’s hard to put into words. The way I was feeling, heaven would be a lot better place to be. It’s the roughest thing I’ve ever been through in my entire life. But everyone kept telling me to keep fighting. ”

And he fought with all his might, but his health was simply not improving and his oxygen levels just kept dropping. He had lost nearly 45 pounds and was physically and mentally exhausted. His lungs desperately needed to rest and heal, and the grim reality was that Ed needed to be put on a ventilator. The Andersons were terrified and now facing the very real prospect of death.



Pictured (from left): Boadie, Judy, Ed and John Anderson at their family business, Anderson Quarries, in Ada, Oklahoma

“We planned Ed’s funeral several times and went through who would be pallbearers... and even called in our kids before he was put on the ventilator. We just didn’t know if he was going to make it.”

Day and night, Ed’s care team worked together to find creative ways to help him heal and lift his spirits. After being at OHH for so long, everyone was rallying around Ed and encouraging him to keep fighting – not just the medical staff at his bedside, but also the housekeepers, food services staff, chaplains, and more. They truly became more like a second family.



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TO HEAR THE ANDERSONS
TELL MORE OF THEIR STORY



I've often said you can't get through life without help, and I was very fortunate to have them get me through these difficult times and truly experience what caring and loving is. I just can't thank them enough.



As the months passed, the Andersons experienced miracles big and small and more acts of kindness than they could count. And although they were living in a nightmare, what they remember most are the extraordinary people they met and the endless moments that touched their hearts. Moments like when Dr. Eva Sawheny, Ed's pulmonologist, surprised him with a heartfelt gift from her two young daughters. One evening after work, they asked their mom about her day. She was honest and shared that she was trying to help a sweet patient who was very sick. Her daughters could tell she truly cared about this person and wanted to help encourage the patient to keep fighting, so they painted a picture of two lungs being filled with life with a special note:

Maybe not today, or tomorrow, or even in 120 days but eventually things WILL GET BETTER and you WILL BE ABLE To look back and say with relief, "I made it"... you can do it



Moments like these are what motivated Ed to keep making small steps toward recovery. After spending 155 days at OHH – from Halloween to Easter – he defied all odds and finally went home.

Ed and Judy were full of such immense gratitude that they were inspired to pay it forward. Turning their gratitude into a gift, they made a donation to the OHH Research Foundation in honor of all the "Heart Heroes" who never stopped believing in Ed. *"One of the ways we wanted to thank everyone is through the foundation. We wanted to do something that let them know, 'We love you!'"* Ed said.

"Once you've experienced an extra stab at life, money's not as precious, but if you know it can help someone, that's just what you've got to do."

Today, Ed is still trying to get back to his old self. He is back to working as much as he can and enjoying precious time with his family. The special painting is proudly displayed in their home – a daily reminder to say with relief... *"I made it."* All the special moments they experienced will be etched in their hearts forever, and they'll be eternally grateful for everyone at OHH who gave Ed the gift of life.

After 155 days at Oklahoma Heart Hospital with Covid-19, we truly experienced caring, helping, healing and loving people each day. We know from firsthand experience what a wonderful Hospital AND STAFF Oklahoma Heart Hospital offers. With many prayers and talented people surrounding us, we can now say, "Thank you for life!"



Heart Hero

GRATEFUL PATIENT PROGRAM

YOU MAY SEE red "Heart Hero" pins proudly worn on lapels and name badges throughout the Oklahoma Heart Hospital. These pins are not simply handed out to all team members – they are earned by being recognized for providing compassionate, healing care. And behind each pin is a personal story, a story worth sharing.

Who is a Heart Hero? Those that experience OHH often come away with a level of gratitude that is unwavering. We often hear patients say, "I wish there was a way for me to say thank you!" Our Grateful Patient Program gives patients and families a meaningful way to show their appreciation by donating in honor of anyone they consider to be their Heart Hero.

From the physicians, nurses, the A La Heart Café staff, surgical teams, and our support staff – you can say "Thank You" to any member of the OHH team that made a difference in your life. Families and friends can also participate by honoring their loved ones that are courageously battling heart disease.

When you recognize your Heart Hero(es), those honored will be:

- Informed of your kindness *(without stating the size of the gift)*
- Presented with a special card symbolizing your appreciation
- Honored with a "Heart Hero" pin to wear proudly



Heartwarming. That's how we describe every experience when we present a Heart Hero with a symbolic pin and share kind words of gratitude, especially over the last few years. Hearing that our patients are grateful for all we do has truly been a bright light during a very dark time. And although our Heart Heroes would do anything for our patients without expecting something in return, it brings smiles to their faces and means so much to know that they are appreciated.



Dr. Ghani took wonderful care of my husband for many years. I am grateful for his compassion and kindness. He is the perfect example of a Heart Hero.

-Cathy

I'm 81, most doctors raise their voices when they speak to me. If I have someone younger with me, they behave as if I am not there and almost ignore me. Dr. Gupta treats me as if I am a person.

-Joyce

Messages from the heart

"Please accept this donation in recognition of all the doctors, nurses, admin staff and maintenance crew whose collective efforts saved the life of my niece. We are all so excited for her recovery."

-Jack

"All of the doctors, nurses, and support staff make Oklahoma Heart Hospital one of the most trusted and highly recognized medical facilities in Oklahoma. Thank you to all for your dedication and commitment."

-Berita



Dr. Randolph and his team were recognized as "Heart Heroes" by Ed and Judy Anderson. They were honored to receive their pins and gave Ed a thumbs up after he spent 155 days at OHH fighting Covid.



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TO HONOR YOUR HEART HERO TODAY!

The following names are the Heart Heroes who were honored from 2020-2021. Working on the frontlines over the past few years has been challenging to say the least, so we chose to recognize everyone honored during the pandemic.

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Darlene & Wayne Wright

“Because of their care, I am still here. They have taken excellent care of me. I will be 89 this month.”

-Earl

2021 GENERAL SUPPORT

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-John Harvey, MD, Interventional Cardiologist, OHHRF Board Member, Clinic for the Uninsured Volunteer & Donor



A TRUE ACT OF GREATNESS

"What makes greatness is starting something that lives on after you."

These are the words that Carla Bensinger strives to live by. As a nurse of 45 years, she has spent a lifetime giving back to the community and helping those in need.

The past two decades have been dedicated to helping patients at the Oklahoma Heart Hospital, where she currently serves as the Director of the Outpatient Cath Lab in Midwest City – just a stone's throw away from a place that has always touched her heart, the Clinic for the Uninsured (CFU).

Carla has been a faithful supporter of the CFU, donating every pay period since it opened in 2014. However, she didn't want her support to end there and felt inspired to do more. During the process of setting up their trust, Carla and her husband Jerry knew that they wanted to find a way to leave a legacy and help patients in need for generations to come.

The Bensingers decided to make a planned gift and generously named OHHRF's Clinic for the Uninsured as a recipient of their trust. Once again, giving meaning to the words Carla lives by. They started something that will live on long after they are gone – a true act of greatness.



*"We don't have any kids, so we wanted to give back something that outlives us. I love the mission of the Free Clinic and have always had a heart for those in need."
-Carla B.*

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OUR OKLAHOMA HEART HEROES in scrubs never stop pouring their hearts and souls into helping our patients, even in the face of adversity. And once again during the 2021 Employee Give Campaign, they chose to rise above all the challenges the pandemic has thrown their way and show us that their love for our mission is as strong as ever.

This year's 1980's-themed campaign brought some well-deserved fun to OHH. During the campaign, all employees were assigned to a team led by a volunteer Team Captain.

For 3 weeks, we all reminisced about our favorite 80's tunes, hummed "Don't Stop Believing" and enjoyed a little friendly competition to see which team would have the highest participation rate. Congratulations to everyone on Team Queen at our Hartford location for hitting 75% participation and taking home the title once again! Everyone involved in the campaign went above and beyond "Time After Time" and raised over \$207,405 that was then generously matched by OHH.



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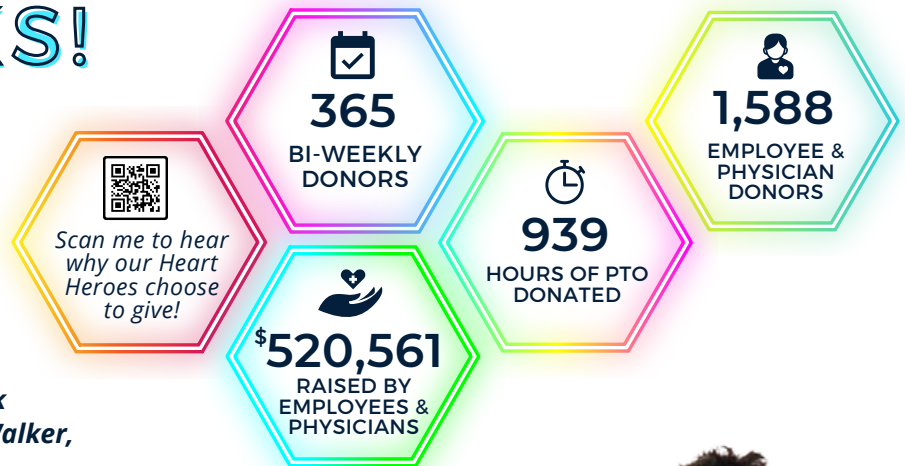
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-Thomas Henneby, MD, Interventional Cardiologist, OHHRF Board Member & Donor



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WHEN VACCINE DISTRIBUTION was introduced to the public in January 2021, it was a very frustrating process for the first eligible group – ages 65+. Appointments disappeared within minutes of being released and were only available hours away from home. Not to mention, the vast majority of this age group was not technologically equipped to secure an online appointment on their own.

After hearing many heartbreaking stories about how much stress this was causing, the philanthropy team at OHHRF found a way to help those who were anxious to receive some level of protection against COVID. We reached out to eligible 65+ donors offering to do the hard work for them, maneuver through the portal, and find appointments as close to home as possible.

In total, our team booked over 100 appointments in a few short months. It was such a wonderful experience and an honor to finally have the opportunity to give back to those who have given so much to OHHRF.

“ We have received excellent care at OHH and most recently your employee assisted in obtaining appointments to be vaccinated for COVID-19. We had our first injections 1/22/2021 at Weatherford, OK, and are very thankful!
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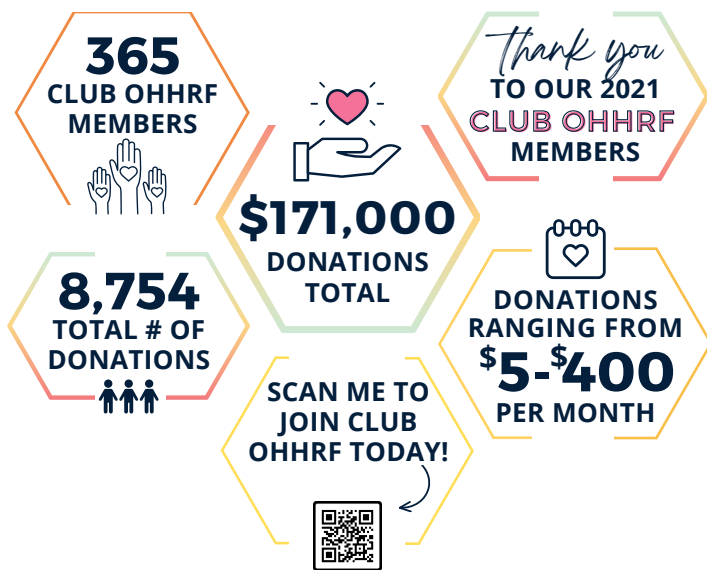


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The past two years have been filled with an array of emotions, but what I remember most are the moments filled with hope. Your generosity and kindness were truly the light shining through the darkness. You were a constant reminder that there is still so much good in this world, and for that, we will be forever grateful. Thank you for believing in OHHRF!



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