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 Saint Luke's
FOUNDATION

Saint Luke's Foundation provides financial assistance to support medical care for patients, education for health professionals, medical research, subsidized health services, and community health programs.

MISSION

We partner with donors to fund innovative health care solutions through charitable gifts for research, education, new technology, and the pursuit of excellence in patient care.

We strengthen and enhance the delivery of health care services that distinguish Saint Luke's hospitals and programs in the greater Kansas City region.

We support Saint Luke's healing mission, its reputation as a quality leader, its longstanding role in medical education, and its identity as a faith-based, nonprofit health organization.

We care for those with financial needs by supporting innovative community service programs and partnerships.

VISION

Saint Luke's Foundation is dedicated to strengthening our community by supporting clinical excellence, research, and medical education.



Gratitude Report

Dear Supporter,

In 1963, 12 visionary physicians and civic leaders came together with a shared dream: To revolutionize medical education and research at Saint Luke's Hospital of Kansas City. Their unwavering commitment laid the groundwork for what would become Saint Luke's Foundation for Medical Education and Research. This initiative was born when remarkable medical advancements were changing the world, creating a growing need for specialized medical education and research.

Today, as Saint Luke's Foundation, our philanthropic reach extends across the entire Saint Luke's ecosystem. While our mission remains deeply rooted in medical education and research, we have grown to embrace a bold commitment to clinical excellence. This focus ensures that every patient receives the highest standard of care—now and for generations to come.

We are genuinely moved by the individuals and organizations whose unwavering support empowers Saint Luke's to advance our mission and create a lasting impact in the field of medicine. Your generosity touches countless lives and embodies the true spirit of humanity. Together, we are building a brighter future, one donation at a time.

Thank you for making a difference.

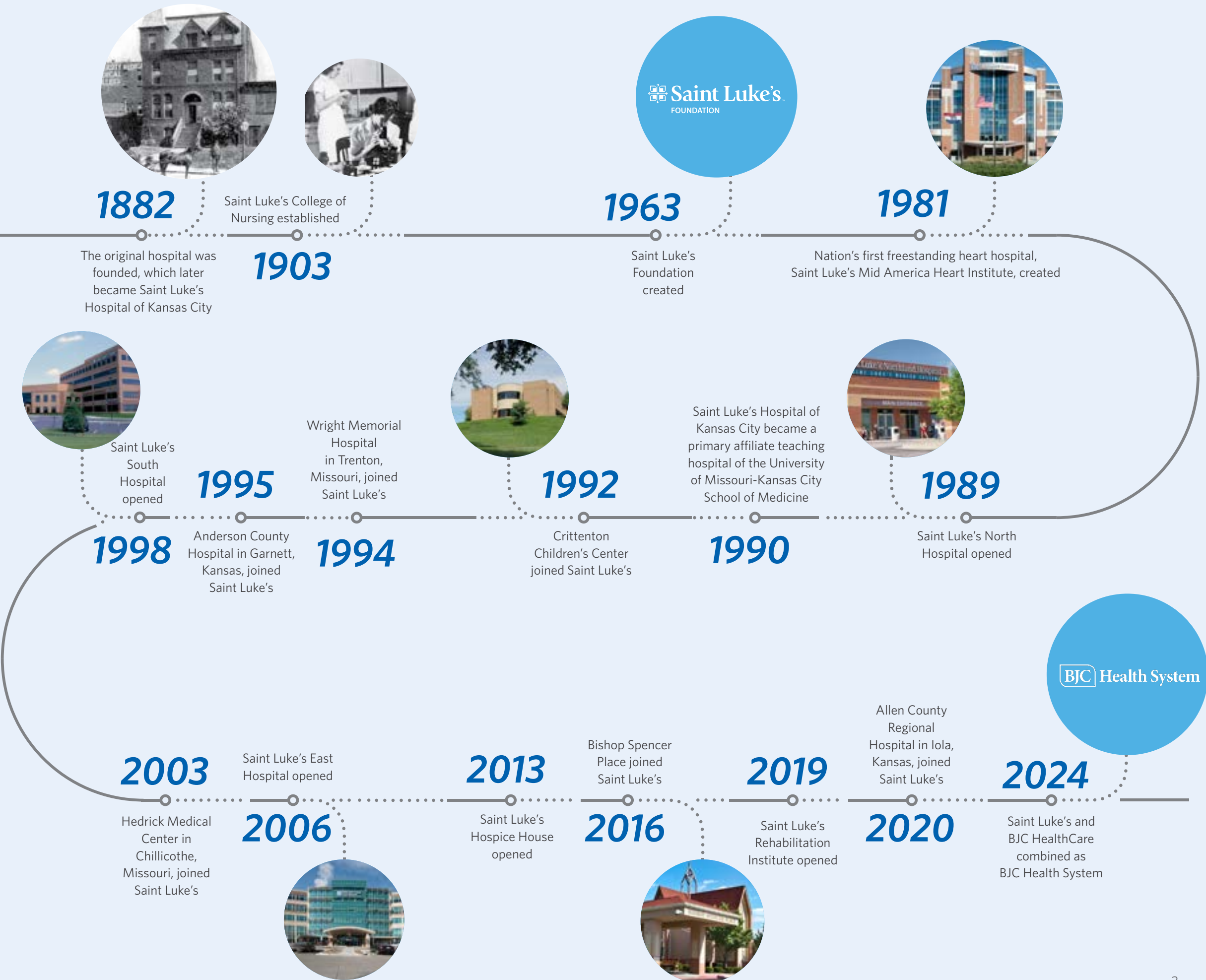
Sincerely,

Keith A. Asel
Chairperson, Saint Luke's Foundation Board

Yvonne Miller
President, Saint Luke's Foundation
Chief Development Officer, Saint Luke's

History of Saint Luke's

Saint Luke's has a prominent history dating back to 1882, when Rev. Henry David Jardine founded the organization to improve hospital care within Kansas City. It has since flourished into a comprehensive health care organization with 10 hospitals and multiple campuses, employing more than 11,200 people and serving 2 million residents across 67 counties in Missouri and Kansas.





140+ Years of Caring

Saint Luke's has been at the forefront of bringing innovation, quality, and compassion to health care in Kansas City for more than 140 years.

As a nonprofit, faith-based health care organization, Saint Luke's has a unique commitment to care for the communities we serve. With more than 1,500 physicians, 65 specialty services, and convenient locations throughout the area, we treat people in more than 67 counties in Missouri and Kansas, and beyond.

Saint Luke's is one of the largest providers of charity care, unreimbursed care, and community benefit in the area. We provide financial assistance to support medical care for patients, education of health professionals, medical research, subsidized health services, and community health programs.

We are proud of the prominent role we play in our community and feel a deep sense of purpose in being both the best place to get care and the best place to give care.

2024 in Review

Humbled by the prominent role we play in the health of Kansas City, we're mindful that our patients benefit from each of our successes. We are proud of the difference we made in 2024, including:

- Saint Luke's Muriel I. Kauffman Institute for Women's Cardiovascular Research was established. The Institute is the first of its kind, dedicated to studying the unique aspects of heart conditions in women. Its goal is to narrow the sex-specific research gaps in both prevention and treatment of cardiovascular disease.
- Saint Luke's Marion Bloch Neuroscience Institute, in partnership with the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine, launched the first Neurosurgery Residency Program at Saint Luke's. The program will allow residents to learn the full spectrum of elective and emergency surgical interventions for neurological conditions.
- Saint Luke's Cancer Institute offered National Cancer Institute-sponsored clinical trials and industry-led studies.
- Saint Luke's Mid America Heart Institute developed an artificial intelligence algorithm to identify patients who can benefit from left atrial appendage occlusion procedures, such as the Watchman® device, which helps prevent blood clots and strokes in people with atrial fibrillation.
- Saint Luke's Hospital of Kansas City received its fifth Magnet® designation. This prestigious recognition, awarded by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, highlights the hospital's nursing and patient care excellence. Achieving five consecutive Magnet designations is a rare feat, accomplished by fewer than 2% of hospitals worldwide.
- Saint Luke's East Hospital was recognized as one of the best hospitals for maternity care by *U.S. News & World Report*.
- Saint Luke's North Hospital opened its Comprehensive Cancer Program, expanding Saint Luke's Cancer Institute's footprint in the Northland.
- Saint Luke's South Hospital named the Lloyd & Sue Ann Hill Family Cardiovascular Imaging Center.

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By The Numbers



10
Hospitals and Multiple Campuses



1,115
Staffed Beds



11,271
Employees



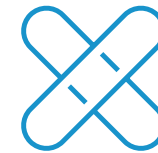
211,846
Emergency Department Visits



29,781
Outpatient Surgeries



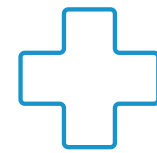
1,519
Credentialed Physicians



215
Clinics



49,915
Inpatient Admissions



\$2.65B
Net Revenue



308,715
Patient Days



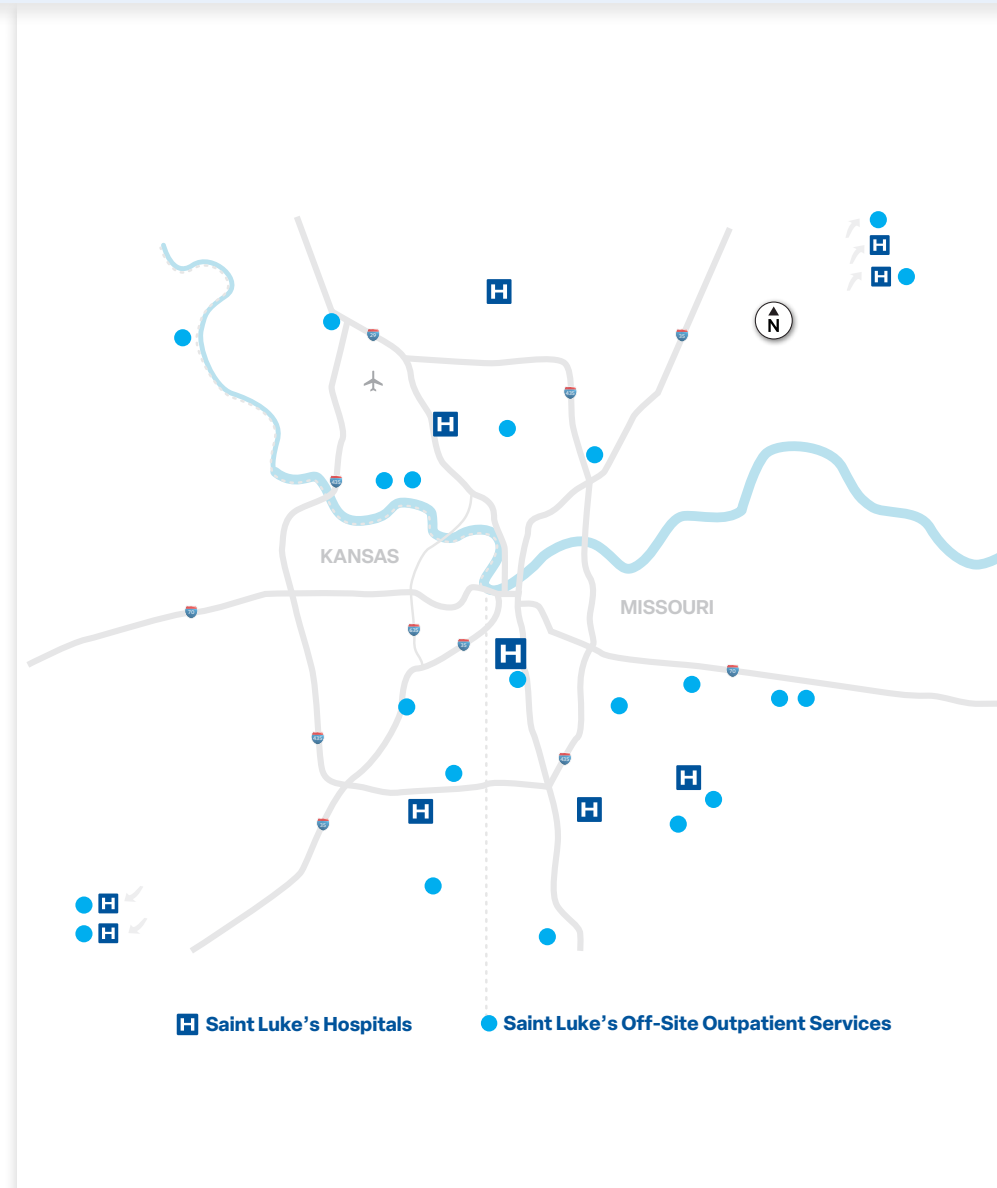
1,966,928
Provider Visits



4,634
Deliveries



10,097
Inpatient Surgeries



Philanthropy Footprint | 2024 Summary

\$57.2M

Revenue

\$28.2M

Philanthropic Contributions

\$22.7M

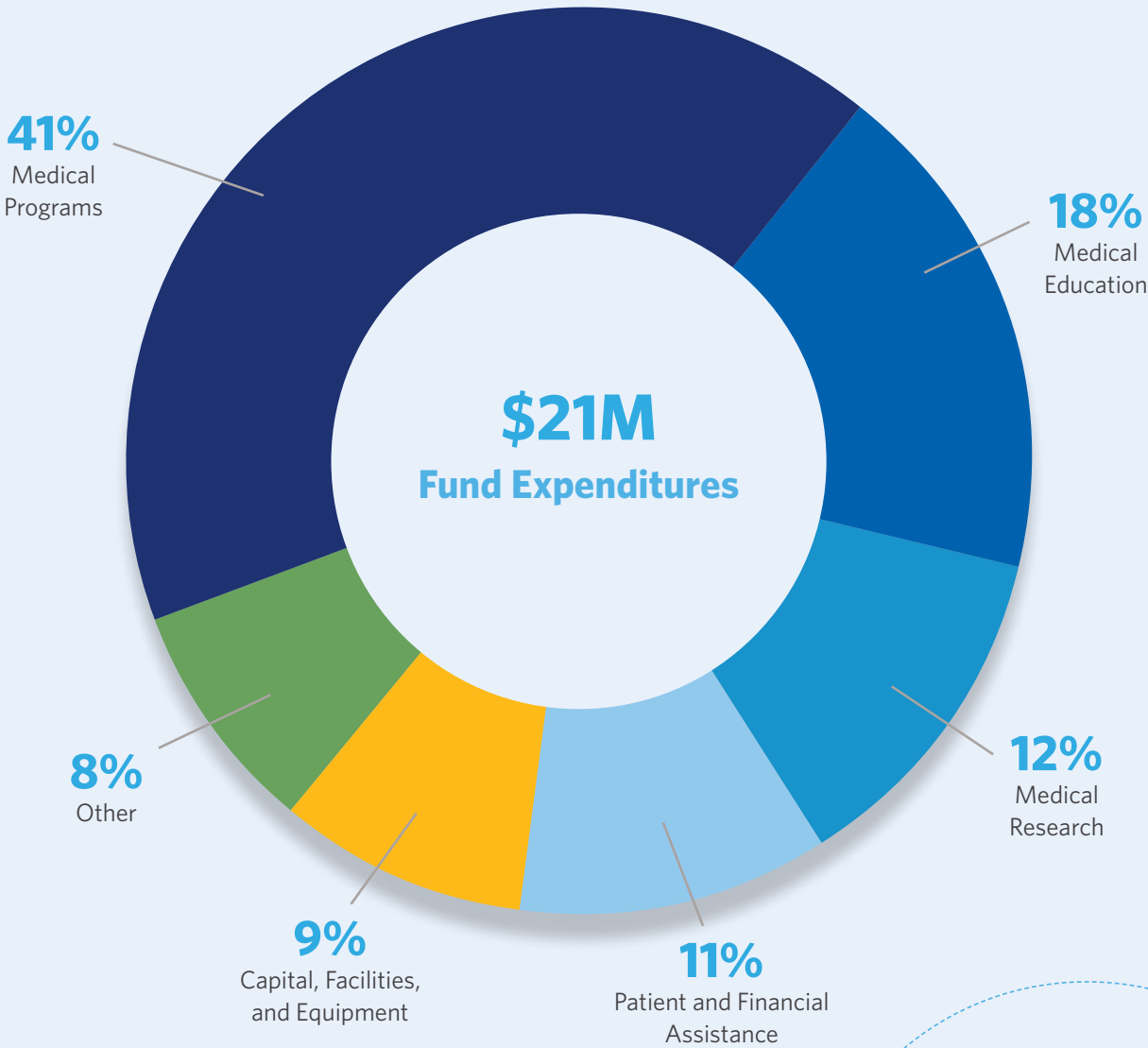
Investment Income

\$5.8M

Other Income

\$500K

Westport Today



\$274.1M

Total Year-End Assets

\$251M Restricted Funds

\$23M Unrestricted Funds

Carrying on the Kauffman Legacy

Saint Luke’s Muriel I. Kauffman Institute for Women’s Cardiovascular Research

In 1961, Muriel Kauffman sat at a board room table at Marion Laboratories and did more than hold her own against the men across from her. She championed the development of many pharmaceuticals that improved the heart health of the men in her life.

Muriel’s father died of a heart attack at 50. Her first husband died of a heart attack at 50. And his father also died of heart disease in his early 50s.

Muriel’s passion to advocate for a healthy heart came from her own loss and her resolve to affect change. And she was going to do it for women.

Heart disease is the leading cause of mortality in women in the U.S., causing 1 in 3 deaths each year, and more deaths than all forms of cancer combined. Yet, historically, women have been underrepresented in cardiovascular research because of barriers in enrollment, and the belief that heart disease was a “man’s disease.” Today, the percentage of women enrolled in drug and device studies is still around 30%, on average.

Carrying the same dedication and resolve as her mother, Julia Irene Dennie-Kauffman is helping a new generation of women receive the specialized care they need.

in publicly addressing the unique aspects and challenges related to women’s heart health.

With the support of a \$10 million endowed fund from the Muriel McBrien Kauffman Family Foundation and other generous donations, the Institute for Women’s Cardiovascular Research will build upon Saint Luke’s Muriel I. Kauffman Women’s Heart Center’s work with an expanded team of dedicated clinician-investigators and initiatives.

“From my mother, I learned to be brave—to stand up and to speak up,” Julia said. “To champion for women and for the men who love them.”

Through the Heart Center with her mother’s name, Julia hopes to bring awareness and understanding to the community about women’s heart disease.

“It’s how we honor each patient’s struggle, each caregiver’s dedication,” she said. “And it’s how we make a difference.”

Julie L. Quirin, president, Saint Luke’s / BJC Health System West Region; Marcia McCoy, director, Saint Luke’s Muriel I. Kauffman Women’s Heart Center; Julia I. Dennie-Kauffman; and Tracy L. Stevens, MD, medical director, Saint Luke’s Muriel I. Kauffman Women’s Heart Center

“If my mother were here,” Julia said, “I know she would want to invest in those patients to know their names, their faces, and their stories. The stories that make us cheer, the ones that make us cry, and the ones that make us mad.”

Saint Luke’s Mid America Heart Institute and Saint Luke’s Foundation recently announced the creation of Saint Luke’s Muriel I. Kauffman Institute for Women’s Cardiovascular Research. The Institute is the first of its kind, dedicated to studying the unique aspects of heart conditions in women with the goal of narrowing the sex-specific research gaps both in prevention and treatment of cardiovascular disease.

Founded in 1994, the Women’s Heart Center is recognized as the first center of its kind in the U.S. to take a proactive role



Saint Luke's Hospital Liver Transplant Program

Pioneering achievements:

In 1980, Saint Luke's performed the first liver transplant in Kansas City, becoming just the third hospital in the U.S. to perform the procedure.

Comprehensive care:

Saint Luke's treats complex liver conditions such as cirrhosis, liver cancer, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease, chronic hepatitis, and metabolic liver disease.



Why We Give

From Donor Recipient to Donor

Pam and Jim Eaton

Decades ago, Pam Eaton was diagnosed with systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), a condition that would shape her health and medical care for the rest of her life.

Pam's challenges mounted when she was diagnosed with Budd-Chiari syndrome and cirrhosis, both caused by anti-phospholipid antibodies linked to SLE. Her gastroenterologist warned that a liver transplant might be necessary within five to 10 years.

In 2003, Pam's medical team grew to include a transplant specialist to closely monitor her condition. By 2019, Pam was diagnosed with hepatocellular carcinoma, leading to a trans arterial chemoembolization (TACE) procedure, followed by targeted radiation to combat the cancer. This set the stage for a liver transplant.

On Jan. 15, 2020, Pam received the life-changing call that a compatible organ was available. The Eatons rushed to Saint Luke's Hospital of Kansas City, where Pam underwent a successful transplant surgery the next day. The transplant team's exceptional care was pivotal in Pam's recovery, allowing her to return to a normal lifestyle. On Jan. 16, 2025, the Eatons celebrated the five-year anniversary of Pam's transplant, a milestone of hope and perseverance.

Despite the challenges of hospital stays, the compassionate staff at Saint Luke's made Pam's and Jim's experience as comfortable as possible.

Their journey changed their perspective on health care and inspired them to give to Saint Luke's Hospital Liver Transplant Program.

"We cannot overstate our appreciation for the care, treatment, and consideration we have received from Saint Luke's," Jim shared. "As we approach our eighth decade of life, we enjoy good health and quality of life largely because of their care. We believe even small contributions can accumulate, and we encourage others to consider the excellent care they receive, and the investment needed to continually improve it."

Pam's gratitude also extends deeply to her organ donor, whose selfless decision has profoundly impacted her life and the lives of those around her.

Pam and Jim Eaton

Why We Give

Recognizing Exceptional Care

Dan and Cathy Flynn

Dan and Cathy Flynn embarked on a heartfelt mission to honor the entire transplant team at Saint Luke's for their unwavering compassion and care throughout Dan's heart transplant journey.

The transplant team's dedication transcended expert medical care, providing emotional support, patiently answering countless questions, and always offering a comforting word or reassuring smile. Their expertise and kindness fortified Dan and Cathy, giving them the strength to face each day with renewed faith.

In every transplant exam room, a sign confidently states Saint Luke's commitment to its patients: listen carefully, treat them with courtesy and respect, answer questions, and calm their fears. These commitments are the bedrock of the compassionate care provided by the transplant team, leaving an indelible mark on the Flynn family, for which they are eternally grateful. During Dan's recovery, he was in awe of Russell Davis, MD, his transplant surgeon, for his relentless pursuit of leading-edge medical advancements within the transplant world.

"We were struck by Dr. Davis' vision of perpetual learning at Saint Luke's," Dan said. "When you are at the pinnacle of your field and still strive to expand your knowledge, it speaks volumes about your culture."

This vision ignited the Flynn's excitement to create the Saint Luke's Cardiovascular Innovation Endowed Fund, which helps fuel groundbreaking innovations within cardiovascular surgery.

For the Flynn's, their philanthropic goal was clear: to express their gratitude and support the ongoing programs that will benefit countless patients in the future.



Dan and Cathy Flynn

Saint Luke's Heart Transplant Program

Remarkable milestone:

In 2024, Saint Luke's performed 32 heart transplants, bringing the total to 1,042 transplants in the program's history.

Efficient transplant process:

On average, 50% of patients receive their transplant within 24 days, significantly faster than the national average of three months.

Expanded reach:

Saint Luke's has extended its transplant program to Wichita, making high-quality care more accessible beyond Kansas City.



Russell Davis, MD, and team



In 2024:
877
Children received services at
The Children's SPOT

275
Premature infants and toddlers
benefited from the NICU
developmental follow-up clinic

\$21,138
In scholarships were awarded
to 18 children



Donor SPOTlight

A Journey of Hope: Elsie's Story

Brian Matthys, DO, and Molly Menser, DO

When Elsie Matthys was just two days old, her life took an unexpected turn. The nurses and her pediatrician at Saint Luke's Hospital of Kansas City discovered severe congenital heart defects. She would need open-heart surgery to survive—and that was only the beginning.

At just five months old, Elsie faced another life-altering setback: a stroke. Her parents, Molly Menser, DO, and Brian Matthys, DO, were determined to find the very best care. After exploring therapy programs throughout Kansas City, they walked into Saint Luke's Hospital The Children's SPOT—and immediately knew they had found something special.

From the start, the therapists at The SPOT became part of their extended family. They met every Wednesday morning, a time when both parents could attend each appointment. Through a deeply personalized plan, Elsie's team of occupational, physical, and speech therapists helped her achieve milestones that once seemed impossible: sitting, rolling, crawling, and eventually walking. She learned to pick up small toys and finger foods. Later, she mastered skipping, tying her shoes, pumping her legs on a swing—and now, she's learning to type on a keyboard.

Beyond the milestones, Elsie developed coordination, sensory processing skills, and the confidence to take on the world. "Elsie thrived from the moment we walked into SPOT," Dr. Menser shared. Starting with weekly therapy at just five months old, Elsie later joined The SPOT's developmental preschool and continued weekly visits for years. Now in fourth grade, she still benefits from occupational therapy as part of her school day.

After a decade—and nearly 600 Wednesdays—Elsie is a vibrant, joyful big sister. She loves ice skating, swimming, gymnastics, soccer, and reading. Her resilience and zest for life are a living testament to the care and community she found at The SPOT. And her two younger siblings, William and Marella, have benefited from services there, too.

For Dr. Menser and Dr. Matthys, supporting The SPOT is personal. They know firsthand what a difference it makes, and their passion is rooted in ensuring other families can access the same life-changing support. Through their advocacy and generosity, they are helping more children achieve their fullest potential—and reminding every family that even in the hardest chapters, there is still hope, joy, and healing.

Elsie Matthys (far right) and family

Corporate Spotlight

A Collaborator in Women's Health, Canadian Pacific Kansas City

Heart disease is a formidable adversary, affecting individuals of all ages and genders. With 90% of people having at least one risk factor, Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) has taken a bold stance to improve heart health across North America by helping to raise more than \$45 million for cardiac causes.

As a proud member of the Kansas City community, CPKC is investing in groundbreaking women's cardiovascular research within the Clinical Scholars Program at Saint Luke's Muriel I. Kauffman Institute for Women's Cardiovascular Research. By emphasizing innovative research and community support, CPKC is supporting Saint Luke's pioneer advancements that will help save lives and enhance the quality of life for countless individuals. These efforts underscore the importance of tackling women's heart health through a comprehensive approach that starts with research and extends to medical education and clinical excellence.

CPKC's unwavering commitment to sustained research funding is pivotal, recognizing that groundbreaking research often spans decades. This dedication is why they steadfastly support organizations like Saint Luke's year after year. Long-term philanthropic investments are not just beneficial but essential for making monumental strides in understanding and combating heart disease, particularly in women who have historically been underrepresented in cardiovascular research. By supporting these efforts, CPKC drives innovation and paves the way for a healthier future for Saint Luke's and our patients.



Leading the Way in Women's Health

Cardiovascular disease, the No. 1 killer of women, claims nearly 700,000 lives in the U.S. each year—more than all forms of cancer combined.

Only 30% of participants in clinical cardiovascular trials are women.

HOPE Study: Heart Outcomes in Pregnancy Expectations

Saint Luke's received HOPE RO1 funding from the National Institutes of Health

Our researchers were early contributors to:

iSCAD Registry: Spontaneous coronary artery dissection (SCAD)

ReBIRTH Study: Peripartum cardiomyopathy—CV risk-prevention tool for pregnant and postpartum women pilot

ANOCA/MINOCA magnetocardiography pilot

Preeclampsia and eclampsia registry

Representatives from Canadian Pacific Kansas City and Saint Luke's Muriel I. Kauffman Institute for Women's Cardiovascular Research



The HEARTLAND Gala

On Oct. 19, 2024, Saint Luke's hosted the second annual Heartland Gala at the Loews Kansas City Hotel. Julia Irene Dennie-Kauffman graced the event as the honorary chair, while Kathy Nelson and Tracy Stevens, MD, led as event co-chairs. The gala exceeded our expectations and raised more than \$1.6 million to support the innovative work of Saint Luke's Mid America Heart Institute and Saint Luke's Muriel I. Kauffman Institute for Women's Cardiovascular Research.

Julie L. Quirin



TOP LEFT: Dr. Tracy L. Stevens, Dr. Roger Jackson, Sandy Jackson, Dr. Andy Lee – autographed guitar donated by Sheryl Crow

TOP RIGHT: Paula Logan and Morgan Payne

CENTER: Kamal and Mary Lynn Mikhail, Julie Foyer Kemper, Carmen Sabates, Doug Peavey

BOTTOM LEFT: Starr and Tom Wagstaff, Julie Quirin, Greg and Nancy Bentz

BOTTOM RIGHT: Dr. Tracy L. Stevens and Frank Thompson

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TOP: Yvonne Miller, Julie L. Quirin, Heartland Gala Honorary Chair - Julia I. Dennie-Kauffman, Heartland Gala Co-Chairs - Dr. Tracy L. Stevens and Kathy Nelson

BOTTOM: Mike and Marlys Haverty, Maurice Watson



Lyndsey Lowrey, Nancy Phelps, Peggy and Terry Dunn, Andrew Petersen

Spirit of Philanthropy Awards

In the spirit of gratitude, Saint Luke’s Foundation hosted the first-ever Spirit of Philanthropy Awards on April 18, 2024, to recognize donors for their generosity, impact, and dedication to Saint Luke’s mission.

2024 Awardees

Irv and Ellen Hockaday
Philanthropists of the Year

Tracy L. Stevens, MD
Foundation Fellow

JE Dunn Construction
Champions of Philanthropy

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Champions of Philanthropy

Jani Johnson, MSN, RN
Distinguished Collaborator

Plaza 10K

The Plaza 10K raised more than \$20,000 for Saint Luke’s Home Care & Hospice. The Sept. 8, 2024, event was a fantastic day for racing as more than 2,100 runners and walkers from 23 states joined in the fun. Nearly 120 Saint Luke’s employees hit the course to show their support.

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Saint Luke’s Home Care & Hospice has been providing expert care and resources with kindness and compassion for patients and their loved ones for more than 45 years and greatly appreciates the community’s support through the Plaza 10K.



Endowed Chairs & Professorships

Our community needs forward-thinking science delivered by the best scholars in their fields. At Saint Luke’s, we are grateful for a team of endowed chairs and professors who pioneer lifesaving research, provide exceptional community education, and empower the next generation of trailblazing health care leaders.

With the support of their skilled teams both at Saint Luke’s and the University of Missouri-Kansas City, our leading-edge chairs and professors are asking bold questions in search of groundbreaking solutions.



Investing in future medical professionals

As the highest form of academic recognition, endowed chair positions honor the current chair holder and serve as an enduring tribute to the family for whom the chair is named. Recipients receive funding that allows them to make the best use of their academic time, maximizing their ability to push the boundaries of scholarship.

Lifesaving research starts with our donors

Saint Luke’s donors are the engine behind every endowed chair. Philanthropy creates opportunities to be a part of lifesaving research, to stop devastating illnesses, to improve quality of life, and to have a profound influence on the future of medicine. On behalf of every patient who will benefit from the work of these exceptional health care leaders, we are honored and thankful for the remarkable support of these donors.

Saint Luke’s endowed chairs and professorships

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Anthony Magalski, MD
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Transplant

Timothy J. Pluard, MD
Paul G. Koontz, Jr., MD/Missouri
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Research

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