

#### 2022 Duke Health

# DONOR Impact Report



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#### Dear Friends,

Please join me in recognizing all that we have accomplished this past year. With your help, Duke Health has continued to advance world-class patient care and provide exceptional education and research opportunities for our trainees, staff, and faculty. To a person, Duke Health is grateful for your support.

Your partnership has allowed us to better support our patients and their families, educate tomorrow's health care leaders, and accelerate new discoveries and treatments to improve human health. Your contributions help make Duke a top choice for our students, residents, and fellows, and a better, brighter place for all.

Because of you, we are improving health and wellness in North Carolina and around the world. I am so grateful for your support and commitment to Duke Health.

Thank you. Sincerely,



Duke Health Development and Alumni Affairs



#### DUKE HEALTH DELIVERS TOMORROW'S HEALTH CARE TODAY

Philanthropy like yours enhances patient care at Duke Health in many ways.

- + Dystonia, the third-most common movement disorder, is without effective treatments, but with support from the Tyler's Hope for a Dystonia Cure Foundation, Duke Health, now one of two national centers of excellence, is working hard to change that.
- bit.ly/DukeTylersHope



+ The Duke Transplant Center performed its 10,000th transplant in June 2022. Every year, donors to Duke Health support research and care in many areas of transplant medicine.

- + With support from donors, **Duke**Cancer Institute has established
  the Duke Sarcoma Center, a center
  of excellence for sarcoma treatment
  and research. The program is
  recognized for its innovative
  personalized treatment grounded
  in state-of-the-art clinical and basic
  science research and its commitment
  to training the next generation of
  sarcoma clinicians and scientists.
- + A longtime supporter of Duke Children's, **Steve Felton** is passionate about helping the most vulnerable among us. His most recent gift funds a fellowship in the Duke Child Abuse and Neglect Medical Evaluation Clinic.
- bit.ly/DukeChildAbuseClinic



Steve Felton



Heart/thymus transplant patient Easton is held by his grandmother, Julie, alongside his mother, Kaitlyn.

- + Donor support for research helped Duke surgeons perform the world's first successful heart/ thymus transplant. Transplanting the thymus, a key immune system organ that trains the immune system to recognize and remember pathogens, is a game-changer for children born without a thymus, who typically die within one to three years. Duke's innovative transplant procedure has the potential to reduce and even eliminate transplant rejection across multiple organ types by establishing a donor's immune system in advance of organ transplant.
- bit.ly/DukeHeartTransplant
- + Volunteer and donor Heather Paradis is passionate about supporting cancer patients. The Heather and Eric Paradis Cancer Support Fund provides increased access to counseling and other support activities in honor of her late husband Eric.
- bit.ly/DukeParadisFund



Each ophthalmology resident received a set of surgical loupes thanks to an alumni gift.

For more than 90 years, Duke has trained generations of health professionals who go on to make groundbreaking discoveries and provide world-class patient care at Duke and around the world. Many of our students depend on scholarship funds for their education — an education that fuels both their own success and the success of Duke Health. Because of your generosity, the Schools of Medicine and Nursing awarded a combined \$28 million in scholarships and grants last year. Most of the assistance Duke offers comes from need-based grants and scholarships that are largely supported through endowments established by donors.

**DUKE HEALTH CREATES** 

**TRANSFORMATIVE** 

**EDUCATION** 

- + Ophthalmology residents have a former trainee to thank for creating a fund to supply each resident with a set of surgical loupes optical magnifying lenses where previously just a few loupes had to be shared among the 16 to 18 residents. After he made the gift, **Nicholas Ramey** said he wished he had acted sooner because he realized even smaller gifts can have a big impact.
- bit.ly/DukeOpthalmologyLenses

- + With scholarship support from Jonas Philanthropies, two Doctor of Nursing Practice students are addressing critical health priorities for armed service members and veterans. The students are piloting a virtual clinic for veterans with uncontrolled hypertension and introducing a standardized evidence-based hypertension health program across the U.S. Air Force.
- bit.ly/DukeVirtualClinicForVets
- + Duke University School of Nursing alumni donors like Ellen Donaldson, Kathy Gallagher, and Mary McFarland Shepard pave the way for the next generation of nurses by supporting scholarships through estate planning and programmatic opportunities with annual giving.
- bit.ly/DUSON-NowForever
- + Philanthropic support creates opportunities for Duke graduate students like Duc Huynh. His fellowship from the **Ruth K. Broad Foundation** is focused on making new connections between the fields of glycobiology and neurosciences, specifically using protein modifications as biomarkers to detect changes in brain diseases and potentially produce novel therapeutic approaches.





Being chosen as a recipient of this scholarship means the world to me. While it has decreased the financial burden of medical school and allowed me to focus on my studies, it also holds personal significance. Applying to medical school involved a great deal of self-reflection

surrounding my personal goals and how I hope to impact the communities I am a part of. Knowing that someone believes in me and wants to contribute to my success provides motivation that is difficult to express in words.

Dave Salven, first-year MD student



Ever since I was a little girl, I wanted to help other people with grief or be that person of comfort in any way that I can be. Duke interested me because of its academic credentials. I saw that they were the No. 2-ranked nursing program in the nation. I'm a middle-class student, but you still need to

take out a loan or scholarships. I can't go to school completely off my parents' incomes. I decided on Duke because of the funding they offered. I already had a lot of loans for my undergraduate degree, and I was already in a heap of debt. I'm just happy to be here. I've had a great experience, and I just want to say a big thank you to my donor. Without you, without your contributions, I would not be able to be here at Duke University. Thank you for investing in my future.

**Tyease Jenkins,** Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing student

# DUKE HEALTH CONNECTS WITH THE WORLD TO IMPROVE HEALTH GLOBALLY

Duke Health aims to improve people's health, both locally and globally. With our philanthropic partners we advance projects and programs with the highest potential to transform the health and lives of people worldwide.

+ The Duke Clinical & Translational Science Institute, Duke University School of Medicine, and Duke University Health System together received a \$2.65 million grant from The Duke Endowment to support community engagement programs and practices to reduce barriers that prevent under-represented groups from participating in research, with the goals of increasing diversity in clinical trials, building community trust, and reducing health disparities.

THE DUKE ENDOWMENT

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+ Thanks to the support of several individual donors, Duke eye surgeon Lloyd Williams, MD, PhD, traveled to Sierra Leone to perform corneal transplant surgeries, restoring sight to patients who had corneal-related blindness. Williams, associate professor of ophthalmology and director of the Duke Global Ophthalmology Program, performed 19 corneal transplants and four nontransplant surgical procedures during the visit.

bit.ly/DukeRestoringSight



Above, using the light from his phone and flashlight, Lloyd Williams examines a potential transplant recipient.

Left, Duke eye surgeon Williams walks through an airport terminal in New York on his way to Sierra Leone. He carries a cooler filled with ice to preserve corneas that will be used in transplant surgeries in Africa.





**Derek Southwell** 

### DUKE HEALTH ACCELERATES DISCOVERY AND ITS TRANSLATION

Breakthrough advances in medicine that drive new discoveries and treatments require perfect timing with the right people in the right place asking the right questions. Private philanthropy is essential to jump-starting new projects, recruiting world-class scientists to join our teams, and fostering the transformative basic and translational research that leads to better clinical care.

- + Philanthropic support for physicianscientist and Whitehead Scholar **Derek Southwell, MD, PhD's** research has led to a new surgical treatment that offers hope and a better quality of life for those with drug-resistant epilepsy.
- bit.ly/DukeEpilepsy

- + Inspired by their love for the late Owen Strong, who was treated for an aggressive brain tumor at Duke, his family and friends have come together to support brain tumor research to find a cure.
- bit.ly/DukeGowenStrong
- + Five School of Medicine faculty were among the awardees of the inaugural Duke Science and Technology (DST) Launch Seed Grants. The DST grants recognize cutting-edge interdisciplinary projects that have a high probability of winning follow-on external funding.
- bit.ly/DukeSeedGrants





Leda Strong, Ed Strong, Stacia Smart, and Laurel Durst established the **G'Owen Strong initiative** to raise funds for brain tumor research.



Jonathan Campbell Jessilyn Dunn



Shelley Hwang



Carly E. Kelley



Sara LeGrand



#### DONOR FORESIGHT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

In fiscal year 2022, donors to Duke Health made 34 new planned gift commitments representing \$23 million in future support for research, education, and care. Planned gifts that came to fruition in fiscal year 2022, including realized bequests, charitable IRA rollovers, and trust income, represent over \$15 million in current impact.

- + Retired educator Lucy Lettera credits the support she received at the Duke Lifestyle and Weight Management Center for helping her cultivate a healthy lifestyle, and sees her estate gift as an opportunity to help others live happy, healthy lives.
- bit.ly/DukeLetteraGift



- + Donor Elizabeth Harden, MD'78 and her husband, Richard Hoefer, directed part of their estate giving to benefit future physicians and researchers by supporting young oncology investigators, giving them the resources to speed breakthroughs in cancer research and treatment.
- bit.ly/DukeHardenGift



Elizabeth Harden with Duke WIN Scholar Rebecca Melaku

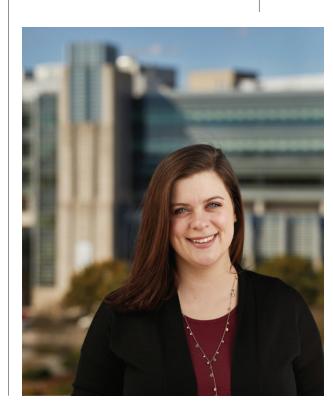
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### HERO FOR HOPE DONORS ARE TRANSFORMING LIVES

+ Hero for Hope, a concept begun at Duke Children's, has expanded to benefit all of Duke Health. Donors' reliable monthly support helps provide life-changing treatment, research, and care where it is needed most. In fiscal year 2022, 112 donors supported Duke Health monthly. We look forward to welcoming many more in the coming year.



- + Duke employee **Brandy Chieco** gives monthly through the Hero for Hope program in gratitude to the doctors who were there for her mother when she needed expert care, and for others going through cancer care and treatment at Duke.
- ➡ bit.ly/DukeAConstantPresence



"Thanks to the Duke
Health Fund, we have
been able to provide
some of our scientists
with the resources
they need to fill critical
gaps and continue
their research without
breaking stride."

A. Eugene Washington, MD, MPH, MSc Chancellor for Health Affairs at Duke University President and CEO of DUHS



### Patient Care **2022**

Duke Health serves patients at multiple locations and offers high-quality care ranked among the best in the nation. The graphics represent total approximate figures for Duke University Health System, including Duke University Hospital, Duke Regional Hospital, Duke Raleigh Hospital, and Duke Primary Care.

Philanthropic support for research, education, and programs that enhance clinical care have a meaningful impact on the patient experience and outcomes across Duke's hospitals and clinics. THANK YOU!

	Duke University Hospital	Duke Regional Hospital	Duke Raleigh Hospital	Duke Primary Care	Private Diagnostic Clinics	TOTAL across DUHS
Outpatient Visits	1,247,458	216,974	384,046	863,194	2,030,279	4,741,951
Inpatient Discharges	40,515	15,884	9,386			65,785
Admissions	40,243	16,246	9,218			65,707

#### **Duke Health: Advancing Health Together**

As an academic health enterprise, Duke Health strives to transform medicine and health locally and globally through innovative scientific research, translate breakthrough discoveries, educate future health care professionals and scientific leaders, advocate and practice evidence-based research to improve community health, and lead efforts to eliminate health inequities. Every donor is an important partner in this work, and every gift plays a role in helping Duke Health and its constituent units advance health together.

