

WELCOME!

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, the St. John's ICARE Foundation can support the mission and vision of Episcopal Health Services. Please enjoy this first edition of our Donor Impact Report, updating you on the result of your charitable support.

I - Innovation

♥ YOUR DONATIONS AT WORK

How did donors make a difference in women's medical treatment in the Rockaways? For starters, the opening of Margaret O. Carpenter's Women's Center has created a tremendous difference in the community. The funds from our 24th Annual Invitational Golf Tournament helped purchase two life-changing pieces of equipment for the center; an \$80,000 Brevera Breast Biopsy system and a new \$40,000 mobile Sonosite ultrasound machine.



Breveria Breast Biopsy System

C - Compassion

♥ VASTLY NEEDED DOULA SERVICES ARRIVE

St. John's Episcopal Hospital (SJEH) was recently awarded a \$150,000 grant from the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation to support the expansion of the hospital's Maternal Health Doula Services Program and a \$75,000 grant from The Evelance Health Foundation towards our Post-Partum Doula Care Program. Through these programs, pre-and postnatal women in the Rockaways will have the opportunity to receive free-of-charge access to a professional doula who will assist them throughout the childbirth process. Doulas provide physical, emotional, and informational support to mothers, helping to achieve the healthiest, most satisfying birth experience possible. They also assist mothers in the weeks and months following their delivery. Our goal is to serve over 120 women pre and post-labor through these two grants.

Jacqueline M. Marecheau, MD FACOG, Chairperson, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology at SJEH said "There are significant public health concerns in the U.S. regarding racial



For more information about doula services, please call (718) 869-7919.

and ethnic disparities where Black mothers are three times more likely to die in childbirth... Thanks to Mother Cabrini and Evelance, the women in this high-acuity community have the needed access. It levels out the playing field to transform the social determinants of health in the Rockaways."

Through a crowdfunding campaign led by St. John's ICARE Foundation, the Doula Services program was first launched as a pilot program. Funding from the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation and the Evelance Health Foundation will allow us to expand upon this program to serve more women in the Rockaways and provide the community with workshops about the advantages of doula-assisted births. This program is an integral part of a larger initiative by SJEH to create a hub for women's health. It exemplifies the hospital's intentions to continue to improve maternal health outcomes for women in the Rockaways.

Te-Ana Souffrant, CEO and founder of The Arch App, and Doula specialist states, "The Doula team, along with SJEH, share many common goals to help mend this community. We strive to have happy, well-rounded, and healthy families, who trust their care providers and want to continue to support the efforts of SJEH. We look forward to continuing to build with this community of the Rockaways and the surrounding areas."

A - Accountability

ICARE FOUNDATION NEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE FORMED!

In 2022, the ICARE Foundation created an Advisory Committee to help build a culture of philanthropy based on the ICARE values of Innovation, Caring, Accountability, Respect, and Empathy. These incredible people have a deep passion for Episcopal Health Services, St. John's Episcopal Hospital, and the Rockaway community. This committee combines team members, community leaders, donors, and board members devoted to our mission. We are truly grateful for their commitment and hard work. We cannot wait to see what the future holds!



For a full list of Advisory Members, please visit sjicarefoundation.org/advisory-council.

R - Respect

GIVING OUR HEALTHCARE HEROES SOME MUCH-DESERVED LOVE

Providing comfort to our team members is essential for us at St. John's ICARE Foundation. After the hardship our frontline workers endured during COVID-19, SJEH partnered with Studio Elsewhere to establish a Recharge Room for team members with a state-of-art massage chair donated by the ICARE Foundation. This Recharge Room offers a quiet respite for those in need of it.



Staff Recharge Room with massage chair donated by the ICARE Foundation.



Violinist Bri Blvck performed for the Comfort Carts ribbon-cutting ceremony and the launch of the Healing2Music Program.

E - Empathy

COMFORT CART RIBBON-CUTTING & THE LAUNCH OF OUR "HEALING2MUSIC" PROGRAM

Valentine's Day was the perfect day to cut the red ribbon for the St. John's ICARE Foundation Comfort Carts and launch the "Healing2Music" program at St. John's Episcopal Hospital.

The Comfort Carts help provide relief and solace to our patients, team members, and families. They were donated by Community Chest South Shore, Maccy Paley, a community member, and The DeMatteis Family with St. John's Episcopal Hospital Auxiliary. Amenities are provided for by The Marilyn Lichtman Foundation & The Vogler Foundation. The St. John's Pastoral Care Dept. will circulate the carts around the hospital and share the Comfort Cart amenities with patients, their families, and staff. Following the ribbon-cutting ceremony was the introduction of the "Healing2Music" Program, which will bring live musical performances to the St. John's Episcopal Hospital lobby. Research has shown that music can help manage stress, improve blood pressure, improve pain tolerance, and enhance outlook and overall mood! St. John's ICARE Foundation created an online crowdfunding campaign for Giving Tuesday, which raised enough

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ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL HOSPITAL'S AUXILIARY CONTINUES TO DO THE WORK

The Hospital Auxiliary is a group of volunteers that supports, enhances, and promotes health care in our community through volunteering and fundraising initiatives. They help to provide much-needed necessities to the patients of the hospital, as well as to the local community. Initiatives supported by the Auxiliary include:

- Community & Back-to-School Wellness
- Mother & Baby Initiative
- Adopt-a-Family Program
- Benevolent Fund
 - Pharmacy fund
 - Clothing & Food Insecurity Programs



For more information about our Auxiliary Initiatives, or to become an auxiliary member, please go to sjicarefoundation.org/volunteer or contact Ceallaigh Watts at 718.869.8058/cwatts@ehs.org.

YOUNG PHILANTHROPISTS CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY

Seeing young adults doing philanthropic work and helping their community is always incredible! This group of young adults, pictured with our own Dr. Cynthia Criss, started a book drive through their champion robotics club at Hewlett High School to donate to the children in the Rockaway community. Lily (far left) donated books to St. John's almost five years ago as her Bat Mitzvah project and was kind enough to remember us again, stating, "I have always loved books, and I've always loved to read. It makes me feel good that I'm helping families receive books to read to their children." Thank you, Lily, Addison, & Julia, for your generous contribution to the community! And a big thank you, always, to Dr. Criss for giving the gift of literature to the Rockaways' children through the Reach Out & Read Program.



Dr. Cynthia Criss with the students who hosted the book drive for local children.



**ST. JOHN'S
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YOU'RE INVITED!

26th Annual Invitational Golf Tournament

Thursday, June 8th, 2022
North Hills Country Club
200 North Service Road Manhasset, NY

DISTINGUISHED HONOREE:
The Honorable Gregory W. Meeks

Benefiting St. John's Episcopal Hospital

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SAVE THE DATE!

The St. John's ICARE Foundation is proud to host the 26th Annual Invitational Golf Tournament on Thursday, June 8th, 2023, at the stunning and upscale North Hills Country Club in Manhasset. We invite you to participate in this exciting day as we honor Congressman Gregory Meeks and raise funds for St. John's Episcopal Hospital.

ST. JOHN'S ICARE FOUNDATION OFFICERS

Renee Hastick-Motes, President
Diane McCarthy, Treasurer
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Nancy Leghart, Executive Director

THANK YOU FOR MAKING YOUR COMMUNITY A BETTER PLACE

To learn more about these events and programs, please visit www.sjicarefoundation.org. Scan the QR code to donate.



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Making A Difference, Together

Every dollar helps save lives, comfort people, and provide essentials in the Rockaway community.

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