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FALL 2025 **IMPACT REPORT**



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# Julia Jeffay lived in Prescott for 16 years.

Even after relocating to be near her daughter, she always considered Prescott her “home away from home,” and continued to value the excellent healthcare she received at Yavapai Regional Medical Center (YRMC).

**D**uring her time here, Julia joined folk dancing groups and danced on the Courthouse Plaza. Generous with her time and energy, she worked with many beloved community organizations. She volunteered at Yavapai College in the Music Department and enjoyed many concerts at the Yavapai Performing Arts Center. She also helped at the N.O.A.H. (Neglected, Orphaned, Abused, Helpless animals) thrift store, repaired books at the Prescott Library, and served as a docent at the Sharlot Hall Museum for many years. She was part of Prescott’s Sister City Association, making several visits to Caborca, Mexico and hosting visitors from their exchange program.

Julia passed away recently, and we are grateful for her longtime support of the YRMC Foundation’s Nursing Education Fund, helping our nurses further their training. She had named YRMC as a beneficiary of her trust and was a member of our Legacy Circle. She understood that good health is the foundation for fulfilling lives, strong families and thriving communities, and one of our community’s most valuable assets.

## Make a Positive Impact on the Lives that Follow.

Please consider designating the Yavapai Regional Medical Center Foundation in your will or estate plan. If you do not yet have a plan, please see more information about the FreeWill resource on page 9.

***Thank you.***



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# people like you who care



*Dr. Payne and Dr. Huang*

## **Donald Huang, MD and John Payne, MD**

We would like to introduce you to two highly valued physicians in our Advanced Wound Care (AWC) program at Yavapai Regional Medical Center's (YRMC) East Campus in Prescott Valley. In addition to caring for their patients, Dr. Donald Huang and Dr. John Payne are both donors to the YRMC Foundation's Advanced Wound Care Fund.

These kind-spirited physicians made donations to fund the purchase of cordless leg compression massagers that facilitate the healing of leg ulcers for patients who are financially unable to afford them.

Dr. Huang, a general surgeon at YRMC for 16 years and AWC physician for the last three, cares for the communities he serves in many ways. He volunteers time with the Neighborhood Christian Clinic in Phoenix, and he and his wife also work as marriage counselors. They have three children, and he enjoys playing pickleball in his spare time.

Dr. Payne, a longtime general surgeon and AWC physician for the last four years, appreciates the intellectual challenge and personal engagement of being a provider. He enjoys listening to classical music, watching baseball, and participating in the arts.

According to Dr. Huang, "We both recognize that some patients need an extra helping hand. Our gifts to the Advanced Wound Care Center Fund have helped many patients who did not have the funds for good care." And Dr. Payne added, "Hope for patients suffering with chronic wounds is our primary product at the Advanced Wound Care clinic. We both enjoy seeing patients heal."

It is always gratifying to see our providers and staff personally invest in our mission of improving the health of the people we serve, especially those who are vulnerable.

## **Women in Turning: the Ladies of Prescott Area Woodturners**

All around Yavapai County are men and women fascinated with how to transform a chunk of discarded wood into a one-of-a-kind treasure. In addition

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## People like you who care (continued)

to bowls, jewelry boxes, vases and much more, the Prescott Area Woodturners and Women in Turning recently found a new and wonderfully fulfilling purpose for their wood crafting talents, namely the creation of dozens of ornamental wig stands to benefit local women undergoing chemotherapy treatment with the Baskin Breast Care Center at YRMC who require wigs after losing their hair.

The more than 100 members of the organization, led by Ken and Kathy Allen, find wood turning to be life-enriching, intellectually and physically stimulating, with a sense of purpose to contribute for the community good. As Walter Spencer, the organization's vice president, puts it, "Every piece of wood is unique because of what nature has done to it. We are continually surprised with what we find."

These unique and beautiful wood masterpieces represent the individuality of each of our patients undergoing treatment. We at the YRMC Foundation are constantly inspired by the creative ways our community comes forward to bring comfort and grace to our vulnerable patients.

## We ♥ Our Volunteers

YRMC is like a second family for many of our volunteers, many of whom support the YRMC Foundation and some who even provide for us in their estate plans after their passing. And several volunteers who have retired from larger corporations utilize their former employers' volunteer match programs, which offer matching donations based on the number of service hours a volunteer provides to a nonprofit organization such as YRMC. This is a great way for our volunteers to make the most of their employers' spirit of generosity, continue to use their talents, and receive appreciation for their many years of service.

It is inspiring to note that 340 YRMC volunteers clocked a total of 57,667 hours during our FY2025, which at an average estimated value of \$34.79/hour (Source: Independent Sector) equates to a phenomenal value of \$2,006,235 in volunteer labor. Please join us in celebrating those who give of their time, their talent, and their treasure by providing for the health of our community.

*YRMC volunteers contributed 57,667 hours during our FY2025, which at an average estimated value of \$34.79/hour equates to more than \$2 million in volunteer labor.*



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# Meet Mark Domingo, Director of Mission and Community Health



Mark Domingo joined YRMC as our new Director of Mission and Community Health, previously serving with Dignity Health St. Rose Dominican Hospital in Las Vegas, Nevada.

As our mission leader, Mark explains that it is CommonSpirit Health's mission of improving the health of the people we serve, especially those who are most vulnerable, that unites us. As Mark puts it, "Our mission is so simple, but so challenging. So powerful, but so humble. So clear, but so complex. Our mission isn't just words etched on our walls... it's our very own identity and what we embody within and beyond our hospital doors. It's the reason for our existence."

For Mark, Community Health means taking a leading role in keeping our

community healthy and well at home, so that they don't end up in our hospital. He is developing a Community Health Worker (CHW) program to address social determinants of health in local vulnerable populations such as poverty, housing, food insecurity, and health equity. CHWs are non-clinician individuals with a passion for helping others. They focus on providing health education in a way members of our community can easily comprehend, linking them to resources, and helping them navigate healthcare systems and community resources including scheduling appointments and transportation support.

Donations to the YRMC Foundation are enabling us to providing funding for this critical initiative. To join us in supporting the CHW program, please visit [SupportYRMC.org/donate](https://SupportYRMC.org/donate) or call us at (928) 458-2900.

*"I find my work incredibly rewarding. I can tap into the gifts God has blessed me with to serve others in need. It's truly a calling... a vocation...walking alongside people, showing up for them, and helping bring hope and healing into their lives. That's the heart of our Mission, and that's what makes this work so meaningful."*

—Mark Domingo

# your gift touching lives



## Enhancements to CT Colonography

Colorectal cancer is the fourth most common type of cancer, and the second most deadly. Yavapai County has reported some of the highest age-adjusted rates of invasive cancer, including colorectal, in the state of Arizona. Particularly concerning is that patients diagnosed with colorectal cancer in rural areas of Arizona like ours are typically diagnosed at later stages, complicating treatment and increasing mortality rates. There has also been a troubling increase in early-onset colorectal cancer (ages under 50) throughout Arizona.

Medicare discontinued coverage for barium enemas for conditions affecting the colon beginning in January 2025. However, CT Colonography, also known as virtual colonoscopy, is covered by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). To manage the demand for these services in our area, our Dignity

Health Imaging Services team was in need of equipment to provide this non-invasive diagnostic service. Donations to our Community Care Fund provided for the purchase of an EZ EM Protocol Colon Insufflator with transport stand for colorectal screening.

The Colon Insufflator works by delivering precise, low-pressure CO<sub>2</sub> to the abdomen that is more quickly absorbed than air. This enhances patient comfort by reducing bloating and post-procedure discomfort compared to traditional air insufflation. The device is lightweight, easy to set up, and optimizes workspace efficiency with its compact design. Supporting projects that help enhance patient care and comfort is one of the YRMC Foundation's key values, and we thank you for your generous and kind support.

## Improved hearing screening for children

Our Partners for Healthy Students program provides free healthcare services to uninsured and underinsured schoolchildren in western Yavapai County, including hearing screening. The program was in need of upgraded equipment to replace their outdated units which could no longer be serviced. Thanks to donations to the Partners for Healthy Students Fund, your support



provided for the purchase of two portable GSI Screening Audiometers, which can be used in both the program's school-based and mobile clinics.

According to HealthyChildren.org, hearing loss in children can negatively impact language, academics and social well-being. Early hearing screening helps identify issues so children can quickly receive support. This purchase is helping to support YRMC's mission of improving the health of the vulnerable in our community.



### **Quicker return to normal activities post-procedure**

Key components of YRMC's Enhanced Recovery After Surgery (ERAS) program launched in 2022 to maximize positive patient outcomes include reduced opioid usage, early extubation, and speedy recovery back to the patient's baseline activities of daily living. Improved technology and imaging allow our anesthesiology team to provide patients undergoing procedures the safest and most reliable nerve blocks available. This helps our providers reduce opioid usage in their patients, in turn helping them return to normal activities much more quickly post-surgery.

Gifts from our donors to the James Family Heart Center Fund enabled the purchase of a Fujifilm Sonosite PX Advanced Imaging Ultrasound and probes for our West Campus operating room. This innovative equipment can be used in cardiothoracic procedures, orthopedic surgeries, and many other applications.

### **Promoting wound healing and providing comfort**

As described in the Page 3 article featuring Drs. Huang and Payne, support for our Advanced Wound Care Fund provided for the purchase of CINCOM cordless leg compression massagers for our financially challenged patients.

In the U.S., approximately 6.5 million people are affected by chronic wounds annually, including diabetic foot ulcers and pressure ulcers. Chronic wounds are more prevalent in communities with aging populations and higher rates of chronic conditions like diabetes.

Calf compression for wounds promotes healing by increasing blood flow and tissue oxygenation, reducing edema from fluid buildup, and enhancing nutrient delivery, which aid and support wound healing. Compression also helps prevent future wound recurrence, especially in cases of venous leg ulcers, by maintaining pressure and preventing fluid buildup. Additionally, compression manages swelling, provides limb stability, and can improve patient comfort, leading to better functional rehabilitation.



## YRMC Foundation by the numbers

### FY2025 Performance Review



Total Funds Raised  
\$3,806,000



Transfers to Hospital  
\$1,852,000



Legacy (Estate) Gifts  
9



Number of Donors  
647



Return on Investment  
\$4.62

### What Sets Us Apart

- 100% of your gift goes to the program(s) you designate
- All donated funds stay in our local community to support Yavapai Regional Medical Center's programs and services
- Your gift can be designated to any of the Foundation's 18 special purpose funds



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## NEW! Charitable contributions without itemizing

The 2025 tax reform package enacted by Congress in July includes several key provisions taking effect in 2026 that directly affect charitable giving—particularly for individuals who itemize deductions and corporate donors.

Individuals can deduct up to \$1,000 (single) or \$2,000 (married filing jointly) in charitable contributions without itemizing. This is a permanent provision and serves as a replacement for the temporary above-the-line deduction of \$300 (single) and \$600 (married) introduced under the CARES Act. The standard deduction is set permanently at \$30,000 for married joint filers; \$23,625 for head of household; \$15,750 for single filers (adjusted annually for inflation). Please consult with your tax professional for more details on how this would apply to your circumstances.

### An important note regarding IRA distributions

Qualified charitable distributions can be made only to qualified charities. Qualified charities do not include those which are classified as 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations, including the YRMC Foundation. In order to be qualified for favorable tax treatment, your IRA qualified charitable distribution must be made directly from your IRA custodian to our supported organization, Yavapai Regional Medical Center, Tax ID 86-0098923. As with non-IRA donations, your gift will be designated to your specified fund of choice. Please contact the YRMC Foundation at (928) 458-2900 if we can be of assistance.

# NEW! Create your free will and protect your loved ones

The YRMC Foundation believes that humankindness means advancing care for the whole person. That care extends far beyond the walls of our hospital, including helping our donors, employees, and communities plan for the future.

You might be surprised to learn that 71% of Americans don't have a will or trust, leaving many families unprotected in the event of the unexpected. Probate alone can take 9 to 18 months and cost up to 10% of an estate's value.

We are pleased to share with our donor community a new, free resource through our partnership with **FreeWill**. This

**FREEWILL** simple and secure online tool allows you to create or update your will at no cost—giving you peace of mind and confidence in your plans for tomorrow. Please visit [yavapai.mygiftlegacy.org](http://yavapai.mygiftlegacy.org) or scan the QR code below.



If we can assist with any questions, please contact Angi Bryan, Manager of Philanthropy, at

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Advanced Wound Care



Family Resource Center



Behavioral and Mental Health



Geriatric and Palliative Medicine



Breast Care



James Family Heart Center



Capital Fund



Nursing Education



Clothing Closet



Partners for Healthy Students



Community Care  
(Greatest Need)



Pendleton Program for Community Health and Wellness



Diabetes Program



Physical Rehabilitation



Employee Emergency Assistance  
(not tax-deductible)



Volunteer Services



Family Birthing Center



Workforce Wellbeing



**Dignity Health.**

Yavapai Regional Medical Center

### Fast Facts FY2025



- Employees 1,874
- Physicians 315
- Volunteers 340



- Inpatient admissions 14,197
- Emergency visits 71,934



- Surgeries 4,329
- Open heart and thoracic surgeries 241



- Cardiopulmonary studies 13,534
- Breast center procedures 23,841
- Medical imaging studies 202,933



- Births 982



- YRMC community benefit \$28.75 million

# YRMC Foundation Launches New Community Partner Program to Foster a Healthier Yavapai County

The YRMC Foundation is pleased to announce the official launch of its new Community Partner Program. This initiative provides a unique opportunity for local businesses to actively join the Foundation in its mission to build a healthier Yavapai County.



By becoming a Community Partner, businesses will be recognized as influential leaders in supporting the health and well-being of our community members. The program features five distinct partnership levels, each offering tailored recognition opportunities.

The YRMC Foundation looks forward to introducing this impactful program to the wider business community. Interested businesses

can learn more and register their commitment online by visiting [SupportYRMC.org/community-partner](https://SupportYRMC.org/community-partner).



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## Jersey Mike's Subs reaches new heights

A special "shout out" to the Jersey Mike's Subs location in Prescott! For the last three years, the James Family Heart Center at YRMC has been selected as their local recipient of Jersey Mike's Month of Giving corporate fundraising program held every March. Their fundraising goal in 2025 was \$10,000, and thanks to our community's support, they not only achieved it, they surpassed it! Owners Syndie and Steve Wolsey also generously provided lunch at the Summit 4X4 Trails 4 Tatas event in October. Well done – we thank them for their generous spirit!

# guardian angels



Guardian Angels are YRMC staff members, providers, and volunteers who have been honored by patients or their loved ones with a gift to the Foundation in their name.

We are pleased to introduce you to six new YRMC Guardian Angels recently recognized by our community and the YRMC Foundation. Each received a certificate of appreciation and a custom lapel pin to wear, honoring their commitment to excellent care.

Additionally, every honoree and their guest will be invited to attend the Foundation's annual Circle for Excellence donor recognition program in November. We are most grateful to our donors who choose to express their gratitude in such a thoughtful way.

Likewise, we are blessed with a kind and compassionate workforce who embody our values of humankindness.



**Grant Gipson, RN and Jennifer Santoyo, RN, Med/Surg**

“Our pediatric inpatient staff was amazing during our daughter’s six-day hospitalization. These two nurses went above and beyond, and our family wanted to recognize them.”



**Ronael Eckman, MD**

“Dr. Eckman was great during our child’s stay. She had a great manner and really connected to make her comfortable. It made a difficult time much easier for our family, and I’m grateful for her care.”



**Matthew Hinton, MD**

“Dr. Hinton showed genuine concern and compassion towards our daughter during her hospitalization. She could not have received better care.”



**Jacob Kendall, RN, ICU/PCU**

“I had a great experience with Jake during my visit to YRMC, and I’m grateful for his excellent care.”



**Kami Soto, RN, ICU/PCU**

“I want to show my appreciation for Kami for her excellent and attentive care during my recent visit.”



**Layne Cooper, PT, Physical Rehabilitation**

“Layne has been amazing – she gives me great exercises that really help my back and hip. And she’s just super nice! I really appreciate her and the physical therapy she provides.”

# Yavapai Regional Medical Center Foundation LEGACY CIRCLE



The YRMC Foundation's list of Legacy Circle donors recognizes those who have named our community's medical center as a beneficiary in their will or estate plan.

While we honor those who have notified us of their plans, we also appreciate those who wish to remain anonymous.

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*Legacy is what  
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to you. 100% of your gift stays local and directly benefits patients and families through our programs.

Not-for-profit hospitals like Yavapai Regional Medical Center provide 95% of all vital health services, regardless of profitability. Each gift is gratefully received and is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law and your own tax circumstances. Gifts large or small, in cash, securities or real estate, made outright or provided for in a will or trust, donated in memory of, or in tribute to a friend or loved one, are valued and appreciated.

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*No one is more cherished in  
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— Joseph Addison, English essayist,  
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### Purpose

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### Mission

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