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TOGETHER

2023

Ensuring access to excellent, lifelong healthcare services for our community



Warm Wishes Come True

by Melissa Boyer

Last year, 193 babies were delivered at Sidney Health Center, and the doctors and nurses were well prepared to care for all the mothers, babies, and even the dads. One instrument that played a central role for the newest member of the family, was the GE Panda Warmer.

After a baby is born, skin to skin contact between the mother, baby and father is encouraged at Sidney Health Center. When the doctors and nurses are ready to complete the newborn's assessments, the infant is placed in the pre-warmed bassinet of the Panda Warmer.

The innovative, recessed heater keeps the baby's body warm, while the integrated scale gives the first accurate reading of the baby's weight.

Meanwhile, the newborn learns how to self regulate their own body temperature, allowing moms and dads to interact with baby.

This infant warming system features a small heater reflector and a compound elliptical shape. This unique combination was designed for optimal headspace over the bed surface. By leaving the area over the bed clear, the caregiver can observe and treat the patient unobstructed. Additionally, this also allows the head of an X-ray machine to be placed over the patient without moving the heater head or patient.

Because the Panda Warmer was in such high demand, and more and more babies are being born at Sidney Health Center every year, the Foundation purchased an additional Panda Warmer for the Labor and Delivery department. Every baby deserves the very best start we can give them.



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We're excited to announce our new **UPDATE PAGE**. Scan the code with your mobile phone to see the latest happenings at the Foundation. You can view everything from our spotlight videos, announcements, events, reports, and new projects---all in one place.

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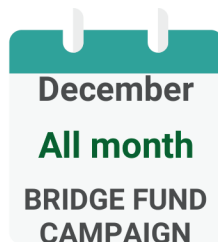
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YOUR DONATIONS, SAVING LIVES

by Lisa Schiermeister

When you contribute to the Foundation for Community Care, do you wonder what your money is doing? Is it helping people? The answer is **YES, your donations are making a difference and supporting the care you may receive at Sidney Health Center.**

The Respiratory Care department received funding for a Treadmill/Stress test system. This system allows Sidney Health Center to support cardiac studies done in cooperation with Radiology. These tests measure the heart function and circulation, making sure the heart is receiving enough blood flow and oxygen when it is under stress and at rest. The test results help your physician to pinpoint any new or developing heart problems, check your heart before surgery, or help plan a treatment for a heart issue.

The Treadmill/Stress test system was fully funded by a Foundation for Community Care grant including designated funds from the Cattleman's Ball for Cardiac Care specifically. The total funds amounted to approximately \$73,000 for the purchase of the system.



Having this test available locally is an investment in our community and can save patients a trip to Billings or Bismarck.

The test is crucial in gathering information that the doctor needs to provide safe, quality care, & developing a treatment plan.



In addition, Respiratory Care was able to invest in another important piece of testing equipment



thanks to the Foundation for Community Care. A grant in the amount of approximately \$57,000 helped fund a Pulmonary Function Body Box.

This equipment is needed to perform Pulmonary Function Tests (PFTs), which shows how well the lungs are working.

These tests measure the amount of air the lungs can hold and how hard someone can blow the air from their lungs, and how easy oxygen can enter the blood stream. This helps your doctor decide the treatment of a lung problem like asthma or chronic



obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). It is also important as a baseline and follow up for some types of chemotherapy, so very important to care at the Cancer Center. Diseases and impairment of the lungs has increased over the past few years and have been higher in numbers after COVID infections. In fact, there was a 70% increase in Pulmonary Function Tests at Sidney Health Center from 2021 to 2022. Again, having this test available locally saves someone a trip to Billings or Bismarck by providing the information a doctor will need to treat you.

Through your contributions to the Foundation, you have helped your family, friends and neighbors in receiving essential care close to home. Sidney Health Center is committed to helping you achieve your highest level of health and well-being. Thanks for entrusting us in your health journey!

NEW SIMULATION MANIKIN* EXPANDS STAFF EDUCATION AND TRAINING

by Rita Steinbeisser

*a model of the human body specifically used for medical instruction



Sidney Health Center received a mid-level fidelity simulation manikin thanks to funding from the Foundation for Community Care and a stroke grant through the American Heart Association.

The Laerdal Nursing Anne simulator is a skill and scenario-based trainer that can mimic patient breath sounds, heart sounds, bowel sounds, vital signs, blinking, and verbal phrases. The simulator allows learners to practice in a controlled environment where improvements can be made in a safe place; creating staff that are more confident and comfortable in their skills. The simulator responds to interventions, instructor controls, and pre-programmed scenarios.

The program offers a handheld tablet for instructor control and a laptop that can act as various patient monitors to display lifelike vitals, data, and equipment, giving the most realistic simulated experience.

The simulator features opportunities of learning for airway and breathing management, assessment skills, multiple nursing interventions, resuscitation, and shock delivery using a real defibrillator.

The education was offered through the manufacturer. The installation and orientation courses helped to explore the many uses of the program as well as scenario building to fit Sidney Health Center's specific needs. As Sidney Health Center's education department expands its simulation program, accessory kits and additional training are available.

A majority of the funding was provided by the Foundation for Community Care in the amount of \$37,455 through the Ambulance unspecified fund and an endowment fund grant awarded to Sidney Health Center. The remaining \$10,000 was funded through a stroke grant from the American Heart Association.



FOUNDATION
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grants

Foundation for Community Care Awards \$261,417.19 in 2023

Founded in 1983, the Foundation for Community Care holds true to its mission of **ensuring access to excellent, lifelong healthcare services for our community**. One hundred percent of every donation made to the Foundation stays in our community for current and future healthcare needs. Each year, a portion of the returns of the Foundation's investments are awarded to support area groups and organizations that help promote the mission of the Foundation. Take a moment to recognize 2023's newest grants listed below.

Sidney Health Center

Hospitalist / Inpatient Services



PORTABLE ULTRASOUND MACHINE **\$44,000.00**

Providing portable ultrasound services with the GE Venu Go Ultrasound System to patients helps with faster diagnosis, fewer re-admissions, and the ability for physicians to bring the service to the patient. Simple. Fast. Presice.

Surgery Department



SAW AND DRILL SET FOR ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY

\$32,164.00

Replacing a saw/drill set used by our Orthopedic and Podiatry surgeons.

Rehabilitation Services



ARM BIKE **\$7,344.00**

Replacing upper body rehabilitation equipment necessary for wheelchair bound patients and patients recovering from shoulder and neck injuries and procedures.

Pediatric Clinic



JAUNDICE METER FOR NEWBORNS **\$8,588.43**

Adding effective jaundice screening with a new Jaundice Meter for newborns. No more needle sticks necessary-just a forehead scan!



Sleep Center

SLEEP LAB SYSTEM **\$26,459.00**

Upgrading Sleep Lab systems to provide the newest technology available in sleep diagnostics.

Outreach Clinic



BABY SCALE AND CART TO HOLD THE SCALE **\$1,126.32**

Providing a baby scale and cart for pediatric specialists to use when caring for our most precious, infant patients.

Wound Clinic



TRANSCUTANEOUS OXIMETRY MEASUREMENT MONITOR **\$43,838.00**

Helping to provide a Transcutaneous Oximetry Measurement Monitor important for the evaluation and case management of hyperbaric medicine wound referrals and treatment.

Surgery Department



FLUENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM **\$45,836.00**

Contributing to the Fluent Management System enables our OB/GYN surgeons to have improved visualization of the uterus when performing surgeries for abnormal bleeding, biopsy, or check for cancerous growth.



Sidney High School

MICROSCOPES

\$4,251.44

Replacing microscopes in the biology classroom to teach science at the cellular level.



EMERGENCY GO BAGS

\$2,500.00

Equipping teachers with means to manage students and their needs during emergency situations. "Go Bags", which are stored in each classroom next to the door, are a preparation tool used in lockdowns and evacuations due to school shooting threats or real situations that house first-aid kits, water, and other necessities.



Richland County Health Department

CAR SEATS

\$4,500.00

Educating adults on the correct way to harness children and infants in vehicles through dispensing car seats and booster chairs.



FIT KIT

\$1,960.00

Offering FIT Kits for noninvasive colorectal cancer screening.



Roosevelt Medical Center

TELEMETRY MONITORING SYSTEM

\$3,000.00

Contributing to the purchase of a telemetry monitoring system for inpatients to provide better care, close to home. The technology will enable medical staff to determine if a heart, or other medical complication exists, or is likely to surface soon.



Savage Volunteer Fire Department

FIREFIGHTER TURNOUT GEAR

\$10,000.00

Assisting in the replacement of firefighter turnout gear; including coats, pants, hoods, helmets, gloves, and boots, that firefighters use to stay safe during the structure fires and vehicle incidents that firefighters face.



Fairview Volunteer Fire Department

SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS TANKS

\$10,000.00

Helping to upgrade Self Contained Breathing Apparatus tanks for longer lasting single use, lighter weight and maneuverability, and safety for firemen while fighting fires.



Richland County Sheriff's Office

ENTRY EQUIPMENT

\$10,000.00

Providing first responders with equipment necessary to breach and gain entry into secure buildings, traffic crashes, or construction accidents to protect the safety of those that could be at significant risk of death or serious bodily injury.



Richland County Ambulance Service

VACUUM MATTRESS SPLINTS

\$5,850.00

Supplying 5 vacuum mattress splints, 1 for each ambulance serving Richland County. Vacuum splints allow for spinal immobilization without causing pressure to other areas of the body and provide greater pain relief and comfort to patients, especially on long transports.

2023

Scholarships

Since 2006, the Foundation for Community Care has awarded

\$134,950

in scholarships to students in a variety of healthcare programs, from administration to nursing to family practice.



Suttyn Barnhart

University of Mary
*Bachelor of Science
in Nursing*

\$1,500.00



Savanna Steinbeisser

University of North Dakota
Medical Laboratory Scientist

\$1,000.00

Jessica & Nathan Vannatta
Memorial Healthcare
Scholarship



Miranda Castaneda

Miles Community College
*Associate of Science
in Nursing*

\$1,500.00



Tiffany Steffan

University of Mary
*Bachelor Science
in Nursing*

\$1,500.00



Alexandria Escobedo

Miles Community College
*Associate of Science
in Nursing*

\$1,500.00



Danielle Steinley

University of Mary
*Doctorate of
Occupational Therapy*

\$2,000.00



Soda Rice

Montana Technological
University
*Bachelor of Science
in Nursing*

\$1,500.00



Jenna Wheeler

North Dakota State University
*Bachelor of Science
in Nursing*

\$1,500.00



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CANCER CENTER EXPANSION UPDATE



The Sechrist Monoplace Hyperbaric Chamber (H-Series)

This hyperbaric chamber will be added to the Cancer Center. It is designed to allow for superior patient comfort. With this new equipment, the Cancer Center hopes to be able to provide services such as hyperbaric oxygen therapy and wound care therapy.



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