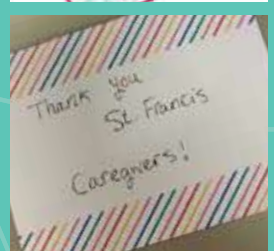


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### EVENTS

**Spirit of the Saints Gala**  
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### DONATE

Make a cash donation,  
make a pledge or leave a  
legacy with a planned gift.

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### VOLUNTEER

We need your help for  
events, to work in the  
gift shop, join the Special  
Events Committee or  
Foundation Board.

# BENEDICTINE CONTINUUM OF CARE

In 2020, Benedictine Health System simplified its corporate name to Benedictine, changed the logo and developed geography-specific names for their communities.



Benedictine Shakopee now offers a full continuum of care including Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Care at St. Gertrude's and Assisted Living at The Gardens. In November 2020, Windermere Way, a new senior living community, opened on the corner of 17th Ave and Marystown Road in southwest Shakopee. Windermere Way has 183 apartments for Independent Living, Memory Care and Assisted Living.

Jerry Carley, President and CEO of Benedictine shared, "We may have revised our organizations, name and look, but our Benedictine-based dedication to serving older adults has not changed. We see our new name and logo as a visual representation of the renewed energy our teams are using to approach new challenges ahead. Benedictine integrates decades of mission-focused purpose with modern care practices to keep our residents safe and secure during unprecedented times such as these." Benedictine is a mission-based, nonprofit health system headquartered in Duluth, Minnesota, sponsored by the Benedictine Sisters of Scholastica Monastery in Duluth.

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CELEBRATING 25 YEARS

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# “A VISION INSPIRED”



2021 marks the 25th anniversary of these two remarkable healthcare organizations serving the Southwest Metro area on their current campus.

The Southwest Metro area has seen tremendous population and business growth in these twenty five years, and this medical campus has been able to grow with the community to continue meeting the healthcare needs of individuals and families.

In 2018, St. Francis leadership identified both the Cancer Center and Emergency Department as areas in need of change to meet the ever-growing needs of patients and

their families. Therefore, plans began for an expansion and remodel of those two areas. The Cancer Center remodel included a realignment of space to add additional infusion chairs, the addition of healing natural light to treatment areas and a relocation and expansion of the medical oncology space. The Cancer Center was able to move into its new space in early 2021, and the patients and their families are appreciating the new environment.

The Emergency Department's addition and remodel broke ground in May, and the expansion will include the addition of six new rooms that will be designed to provide care that is safer and more healing to patients experiencing mental health emergencies.

The past several years have seen a significant increase in the need for mental health emergency services in patients of all ages, genders and economics. These crises may include individuals who are at risk of harming themselves or others, which requires emergency intervention.

The medical team wants to provide quality healthcare in a safe, healing environment.

These new rooms are designed specifically for individuals in crisis, maximizing safety for both the patients and the medical team.

Currently the Saints Foundation is raising capital dollars for this highly needed expansion. The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community donated one million dollars towards the five million dollar campaign goal. In addition, we

raised funds through our 2020 Virtual Gala and 2021 Saints Golf Classic events. The hospital is appreciative of the donations from our business partners, individual donors, community members and staff. The Foundation invites you to support this significant project that will offer long-lasting benefits to our community members in times of crisis.

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As a mom of a son  
who lives with a  
serious and  
persistent mental  
illness, I commend  
St. Francis and the  
Foundation for their  
recognition of a  
need and providing  
private space in  
their Emergency  
Department for  
those seeking care.

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**Janet Williams**  
SAVAGE MAYOR

Enclosed you will find an envelope, or you can visit us on line at [saintsfoundation.org/capitalcampaign/](https://saintsfoundation.org/capitalcampaign/)



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# LEAVING A LEGACY

This past year, many people have had the opportunity to slow down and reflect on their life stories and even ponder what they would like to leave as a legacy.



St. Francis and St. Gertrude's have a rich history of individuals who helped deliver exceptional healthcare to this community, beginning with the five Franciscan Sisters who purchased the county poorhouse to open the St. Francis Hospital and Home in 1938. Amazing physicians and other healthcare professionals have committed their time and talents to bring quality care to individuals and families throughout the years. Community leaders have recognized the growth of Scott County and ensured there would be hospital services, medical care and a skilled nursing facility that would meet the current and future needs.

Frequently, grateful patients and families ask "How can I give back to St. Francis and St. Gertrude's" or "How can I help ensure that this regional medical center continues to provide exceptional care for our next generations"? We are grateful for your ongoing support of the Saints Foundation through your gifts. To ensure a legacy of care for the communities we serve, you may wish to include Saints Foundation in your estate plan. This future gift can be designated to any area of St. Francis or St. Gertrude's through Saints Foundation. Recent legacy gift donors have said they are glad to know their gifts will make a lasting impact, and we are so proud to deliver on this promise.

If you would like to learn more about legacy giving please contact the Saints Foundation office at 952-428-2070.



# SPECIAL THANKS

Thank you to all of those who support the Saints Foundation. A special recognition to the recent sponsors of our annual Saints Golf Classic tournament.





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