



DONOR IMPACT REPORT

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As I complete my third year as CEO of the San Francisco General Hospital Foundation, I look back with pride at all that we have achieved together. From the rapid response to the COVID-19 pandemic to the investments in equity and innovation that better serve our community, your support has enabled us to serve our city's public hospital, Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center (ZSFG).

We are always looking for ways to increase the impact of your philanthropic investment. The Transform Mental and Behavioral Health Fund, a pilot project designed to better integrate the siloed programs serving patients with mental and behavioral health issues, has grown into a robust coalition of practitioners and advocates. Thanks to donor support, redesigning this model of care has saved lives.

Dr. Hemal Kanzaria, Co-Director of Social Medicine at ZSFG and SFGH Foundation Board Member, recently illustrated this impact by sharing the story of an Emergency Department patient who was admitted with abdominal pains. Dr. Kanzaria and his Social Medicine colleagues brought curiosity and compassion to the case, allowing the patient to disclose housing and food insecurity that led to foraging in the city's dumpsters. A team of patient navigators, social workers, nurses, and physicians collaborated with the Emergency Department team to heal the whole person and provide food and housing resources in addition to medical treatment.

This is just one story of the compassion and innovation happening daily at ZSFG thanks to you. It continues to be an immense privilege to work alongside you to ensure excellence in patient care, and we are so grateful that with your support, we can continue to create a new kind of health care. Please enjoy this brief snapshot of our activities over the past few months.

With my deepest gratitude,

Kim Meredith

Kim Meredith, Chief Executive Officer



Celebrate 150 Years of Care

In 1872, San Francisco opened a public hospital that would stand the test of time. To commemorate 150 years of caring for all San Franciscans, a very special Hearts in San Francisco sculpture was created by renowned local artist Sirron Norris, bringing to life 150 years of innovation and care at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center.

[Learn more about Sirron Norris and his Heart.](#)

Make a gift in honor of this incredible achievement in public health and help the sculpture to find a place of pride in SF's Mission District to be enjoyed by San Franciscans for years to come!

We invite you to make a special anniversary gift or [host your own fundraiser](#) to show gratitude to the hospital for keeping San Francisco safe. You can ensure this meaningful symbol of our city's commitment to public health will be on display for all to enjoy, honoring doctors, nurses, and patients every day.

[Click here to donate today.](#)

Wear Orange to End Gun Violence

#WearOrange is a national movement that brings together survivors, advocates, and civic leaders each June to unite in the call to end gun violence. As the only Level 1 Trauma Center in San Francisco and northern San Mateo counties, ZSFG is on the front lines of gun violence in our community.

ZSFG is also home to one of the leading hospital-based violence intervention programs, the *San Francisco Wraparound Project*. A partnership between UCSF and ZSFG surgeons, emergency medicine doctors, and community-based patient advocates, Wraparound is vital to ending the cycle of violence faced by so many.

The devastating presence of gun violence has caused many staff to act outside of the Operating Room and advocate for a future free of gun violence.

Along with Moms Demand Action, Everytown, United Playaz, and Wraparound, ZSFG staff came together once again to take a stand, both on campus



and as a part of the city-wide Wear Orange March across the Golden Gate Bridge.

Donor support of the *Trauma Center at ZSFG* enables our providers to be prepared for any emergency. *Make a gift to the Trauma Center today.*

Mental Health Awareness Month



To mark Mental Health Awareness Month in May, hosts Pam and Larry Baer and the San Francisco Giants brought together leaders in mental and behavioral health to discuss our current public health crisis and share the ways that schools, health care

organizations, and government agencies are working together to change the perception of mental health.

As part of the Tuesday, May 9 event, SFGH Foundation CEO Kim Meredith was joined by former Congressman Patrick Kennedy and California's First Partner Jennifer Siebel Newsom for an engaging discussion, covering topics that included mental health support for young people and the ways in which policy and state-wide programs can influence mental health care systems to better serve the community.

Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital is on the front lines of the mental health crisis in San Francisco, providing a strong safety net and compassionate care while leading the charge for innovations in mental health care. *We invite you to learn more about our efforts.*

Thank You to Our Board Members

The Foundation wishes to thank departing San Francisco General Hospital Foundation Board members as their tenures come to a close on June 30.



CHARLES CHARNAS

Charles Charnas suffered a traumatic brain injury in 2011 and received treatment at the Trauma Center at ZSFG. In gratitude

for the exceptional care he received, and to ensure that others have access to top-notch care, Charles has served as a “grateful patient” representative on the Board of Directors for the San Francisco General Hospital Foundation. We are grateful for Charles’s unique and compassionate perspective. Thank you, Charles!



MIKE MACBRYDE

Mike MacBryde joined the Foundation’s Finance, Audit, and Investment Committees in 2014 and went on to join the Board itself

in 2017. He has also served on the Executive Committee. Mike’s business and financial expertise and accounting acumen have been tremendous assets for the Foundation—in particular, he has been a trusted and valuable partner to and resource for the Foundation’s Finance staff. Thank you, Mike!



SCHUYLER HUDAK PRIONAS

We thank Board member Schuyler Hudak Prionas for her many years of Board service at SFGH Foundation. Schuyler’s political

involvement at the city and state levels is invaluable, and her expertise in building cross-sector partnerships has been an asset as the Foundation has evolved over the past decade. We appreciate Schuyler’s committee involvement and her past leadership chairing Hearts in SF. Thank you, Schuyler!



BOB TANDLER

In addition to his leadership at the San Francisco General Hospital Foundation, Bob Tandler is active throughout the nonprofit

community, including board service with city, arts, and Jewish nonprofit organizations. Bob’s longtime service and critical leadership on the Foundation’s Development and Stewardship, Governance, and Finance committees, and with the Foundation’s premier annual event, Hearts in SF, have been invaluable. Thank you, Bob!

The Future of Nursing at ZSFG



As the city's public hospital, ZSFG strives to ensure that providers reflect the patient population they serve. Through a new pilot program, it is working to create a pipeline of nurses who will do just that.

The Mahoney REIGN (Recognize Excellence in Generations of Nursing) Student Nurse Externship Program at ZSFG honors the legacy of Mary Eliza Mahoney, the first licensed Black African American nurse to graduate from an accredited school of nursing.

Today, REIGN is making the profession of nursing more accessible by providing students from underrepresented racial and ethnic backgrounds with exposure to public health and trauma care, clinical skills and confidence, and valuable professional relationships.

Recruiting from nursing schools across the Bay Area, REIGN brought on ten externs from the nearly 130 applications received in its first year. During the 120-hour program, student nurses are not only exposed to five different areas of clinical care but also find support through tuition reimbursement and membership to professional societies. Upon completion, these student nurses are strongly encouraged to begin their nursing careers at ZSFG.

The San Francisco General Hospital Foundation is proud to fund the Mahoney REIGN Student Nurse Externship pilot program through its [Equity & Innovation Grants program](#).

[Learn more and support Equity & Innovation Grants.](#)



Meet Jennifer Siswandi, student nurse and 2022 Mahoney REIGN extern

"I grew up in the Tenderloin—which is really important to my career path. Growing up there and witnessing huge wealth disparities motivated me to go to college. Once I graduated, I found a job working at GLIDE, which inspired me to go into nursing and helped me find my passion for public and community health."

Jennifer joined the REIGN externship in her final year at San Francisco State University, gaining access to a wide variety of specialties and learning more about the type of nurse she hopes to be.

"Getting to train at ZSFG was different than my other learning opportunities. As a student nurse, I felt like people cared about me and my education. It was a great opportunity to learn from experienced nurses."

After graduation in May 2023, Jennifer hopes to gain valuable bedside experience before returning to her roots in community health.

A Heartfelt Return



For nearly 20 years, *Hearts in San Francisco* have dotted the city with a bit of heart. Though nearly 400 lbs. each, these Hearts are on the move.

This Spring brought several Hearts, both old and new, out into the cityscape. 2011's "*There is No Try*" by Lawrence Noble returned to Union Square just in time for May the 4th Be With You Day. Soon after, Jeremy Fish's "*Heartfelt Wisdom*" joined, bringing a 2018 favorite out of storage for all to enjoy.



Across town at Salesforce Park, the verdant urban rooftop garden above the Salesforce Transit Center, "*Wild*" by Ari Takata-Vasquez was added to the landscape as a symbol of the continued partnership between Salesforce and the SFGH Foundation.

You too can have a heart! [*View available Hearts for purchase.*](#)



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