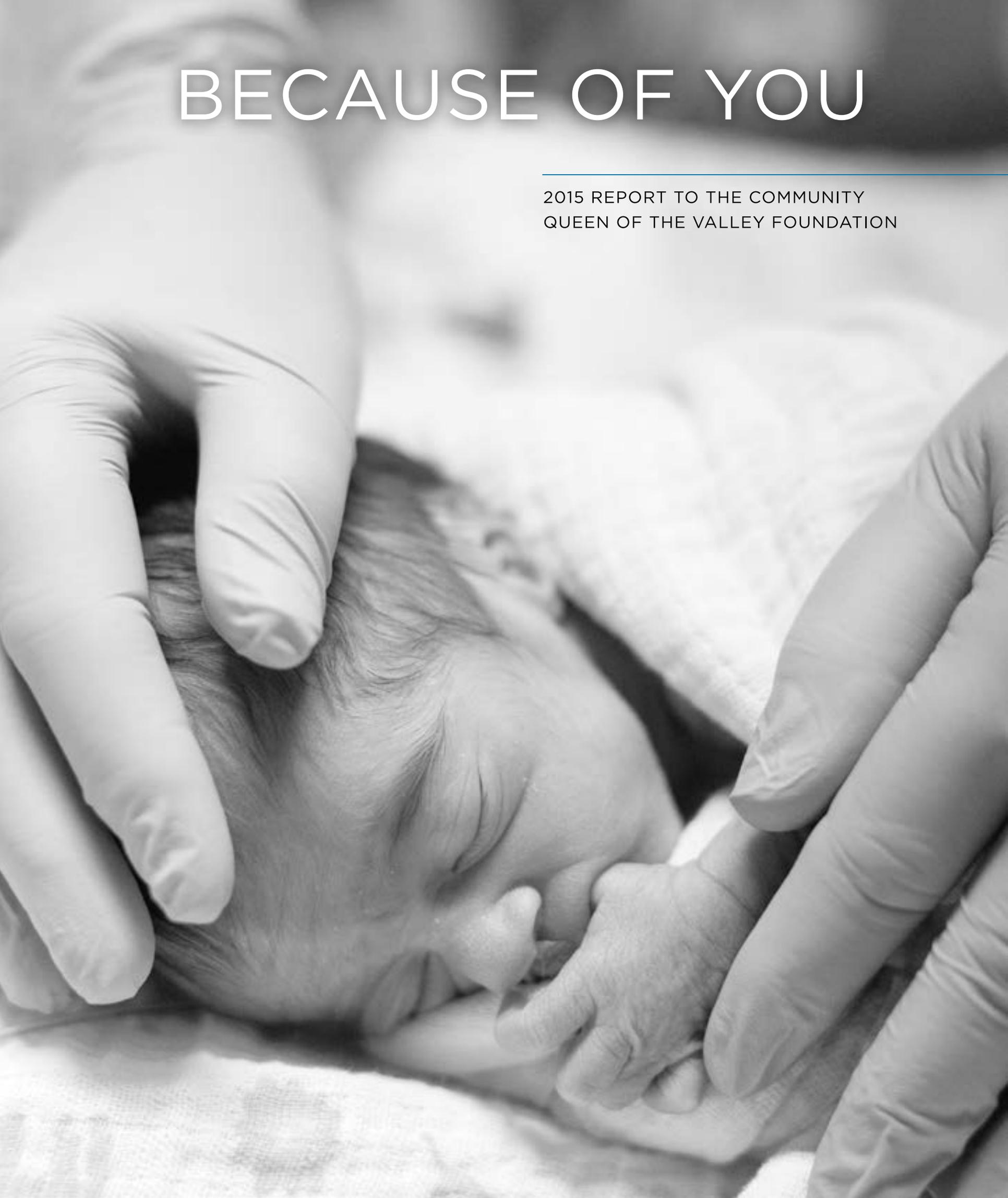


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2015 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY
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CAUSE AND EFFECT

We've all learned that we're here to make a difference in our lifetimes—how much of a positive impact we'll leave behind is up to us. It's a choice each one of us has to make. At Queen of the Valley Medical Center, we're privileged to do the work of healing our community one person at a time—but we couldn't do it without you.

Every day our physicians, nurses, and care team—representing some of the country's most talented medical professionals—practice life-saving medicine with compassion. And because of you, our generous friends and neighbors, we're continually advancing our programs and facilities with the latest possible technology. You are the cause. Countless lives—saved, healed, or improved—are the result.



BECAUSE OF EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP



Every year we use this annual report to thank our growing community of generous donors. And year after year, we're always amazed at the power of your philanthropy, and what it enables us to do. Simply put, without your continued support, we would not have a world-class medical center here in the Napa Valley.

Two years ago, when Dick Barry took over as chair of the Queen of the Valley Foundation Board, we asked him what he hoped to accomplish during his term. His response: "To finish strong with a capital campaign that was courageously started in a very difficult economic climate, and to transition into our next big opportunity."

Since then, the QVMC Foundation completed the *Crowning of the Queen* capital campaign, raising \$31.2 million. It opened the new state-of-the-art Herman Family Pavilion. It raised \$12.7 million for priority hospital projects. It recorded \$2.2 million in irrevocable planned-gift commitments and \$1.3 million in new revocable planned-gift commitments. In 2015, with the Generous Heart @ the Hangar event, it hosted the most successful gala in the history of the Foundation, as well as the most successful Reach for the Stars and Day for the Queen events. Finally, it launched the new *8 Reasons to Care* effort to raise \$25 million in five years to support key strategic growth initiatives at the Queen.

We'd say that Dick has more than fulfilled his goals with such impressive achievements. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Dick for his effective leadership, while we welcome George Porter, who will step into the role as chair for 2016-17.

Because of such dedicated individuals, our Foundation and our Queen have never been stronger.

Elaine John

Vice President, Philanthropy, Queen of the Valley Medical Center
President and CEO, Queen of the Valley Foundation

Walt Mickens

President and CEO
Queen of the Valley Medical Center

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Total funds raised for FY 2015: **\$6,758,321**
(does not include payments on prior year pledges)

WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM



WHERE THE MONEY GOES



BECAUSE LIFE CAN CHANGE IN A HEARTBEAT



The Patient

I'm in my early eighties, but I still maintain a full work schedule in my civil engineering construction business, and continue to travel about 150,000 miles a year. During a routine check-up in 2013, Dr. Srebro recommended that I have my aortic valve replaced. And during another check-up last year, he placed two stents in me—now I'm just as ornery as ever!

That's just one example of the excellent care and expertise here at the Queen. If not for my great team of doctors, I'd be dead or badly disabled by now. When you go to the Emergency Department, everyone reacts—not just to fix you, but to make you feel comfortable and cared for. The doctors and other medical staff here always go out of their way to care for me, and care about me. They just go above and beyond. When I had to stay overnight, my other doctors stopped by my room to see me, even though my problem wasn't even in their areas of specialty. How many doctors do that in other hospitals?

Paul Silvestri

Owner/Principal, The National Constructors Group

The Donors

In 2008, we were in Hawaii when Patty developed an irregular heartbeat. We went to the local hospital, but were so uncomfortable with the way things were being handled that we called Dr. Sergio Manubens at the Queen for a second opinion. He actually advised us from his home at midnight. When we arrived back in California, we drove straight to the Queen, where they found that she had an atrial fibrillation.

It's that kind of expert, compassionate behavior that makes us so grateful to live here. Many of our friends with heart issues have also benefited from the state-of-the-art facilities and medical staff in the cardiac care unit. That's why we recently pledged \$1 million to contribute toward the new cardiac catheterization lab. It'll be there for us—and for the whole community—whenever we need it.

Patty and Stan Teaderman

Principals, Allied Propane Service, Inc.



The Doctor

Several years ago, Paul Silvestri was diagnosed with senile calcific aortic stenosis—a narrowing of the valve caused by aging. Dr. Robert Klingman replaced his aortic valve and performed a coronary bypass procedure that put him right back on the normal life expectancy curve. Last year he developed a problem in a non-bypassed vessel and I was able to repair the vessel by placing a couple of stents in it. Paul's case is an excellent example of the importance of optimal management and appropriate interventions. There's no question that without these procedures, he wouldn't be alive today.

Paul could have gone to Stanford or UCSF, but he knew that the care he needed was available at the Queen and was on par with those hospitals. Our four full-time cardiologists are all seasoned practitioners, and each is triple board-certified. Between us, we have more than 100 years of interventional experience and have performed literally thousands of procedures. And we're proud of the fact that the National Cardiology Data Registry has determined that 100 percent of our cases are deemed to be appropriate, which means we do the right procedure at the right time for the right reasons.

James Srebro, M.D.

Interventional Cardiologist

The Challenge

Heart disease—including stroke and other cardiovascular diseases—is the number one cause of death in the U.S. and currently the leading cause of death, after cancer, for Napa County residents.

The Value

The Queen is staffed with some of the most talented and respected cardiac surgeons and interventional cardiologists in the nation—many of them triple board-certified.

The Future

The hospital is investing nearly \$4 million in cutting-edge technology to provide the most sophisticated cardiovascular services 24/7.

“Paul could have gone to Stanford or UCSF, but he knew that the care he needed was available at the Queen and was on par with those hospitals.”

BECAUSE CANCER HAS ITS OWN PLANS



Nancy Gamble and Centurion XII

The Patient

I'm truly a living miracle to have survived two brain hemorrhages, kidney and lung failures, and two years of harsh chemical treatments—including ten weeks of arsenic. I credit my husband, my family and friends, my team of doctors, and everyone's prayers for the fact that I'm alive today. Dr. Mirda is part of that miracle. I can talk about the whole experience without emotion, but not when talking about him.

Over the past eight years, we've developed an unbelievably strong bond, and he's a big reason I'm still alive. As a physician, Dr. Mirda cared for me not only physically, but mentally and emotionally. He was my rock. When I was drowning in the sea of Leukaemia, he threw me a life preserver so I wouldn't go under. When he told me that this illness was treatable, he empowered me to keep fighting and gave me the will to live. And he always had the patience to answer my millions of questions.

I'm eternally grateful to Dr. Mirda for saving my life. And, of course, I thank God—the main physician!

Nancy Gamble
Co-owner, Rancho Centurion

The Donor

When dermatologist Robert Davis diagnosed my husband, Gil, with melanoma in 1998, we worked with oncologist Paul Dugan and doctors at UCSF to beat it with sentinel node surgery and chemotherapy. He did quite well, but four years later the cancer returned. This time we sought specialists in Houston and Southern California but, sadly, the disease had taken over by then and we lost Gil in 2003.

I've had my own personal experience at the Queen, as well. Five years ago, I had a week-long stay in the hospital for ruptured appendix complications. I received outstanding care from highly skilled surgeon Wendell Wenneker and from the excellent staff who took care of me post-operatively. Everyone was so caring, attentive, and competent. You just ring the call bell and they're there!

I will always be inspired to make donations for cancer research and care because of my personal experience with it. And I've never failed to receive wonderful treatment and service and advice from my doctors at the Queen. It's just such an outstanding institution in every way.

Beth Nickel
Proprietress, Far Niente Winery



The Doctor

In 2008 we diagnosed Nancy Gamble with Acute Promyelocytic Leukaemia, a highly catastrophic, very life-threatening form of the disease. We contacted our colleagues at UCSF to initiate therapy immediately. But during her treatment, she nearly died of complications—including bleeding in the brain, kidney failure, and lung failure. Thankfully, she survived. Several months later, she returned to our care and was nearly back to normal. Now, seven years later, there's no suspicion of recurrence, even from a molecular standpoint, and she is completely 'cured.' We continue to monitor her in Napa, in coordination with UCSF.

At the Queen, we provide a university level of care, which is why the academic medical centers are comfortable partnering with us. They're aware that we not only have state-of-the-art equipment, but also the necessary human expertise.

Cancer care requires a lot of expertise and coordination. We're an integrated network that includes oncologists/hematologists, radiologists, urologists, pulmonologists, cardiologists, and ICU care. We're in a great position right now, with the latest in therapies and treatments. The challenge is to attract and keep leading-edge physicians, to maintain the whole ecosystem of expertise in our community.

Daniel Mirda, M.D.
Director of Oncology
President of the Association of Northern California Oncologists

The Challenge

Cancer is the leading cause of death for Napa County residents.

The Value

Survival rates are continuing to increase due to advances and new treatment options at Queen of the Valley.

The Future

The hospital is investing \$10 million in state-of-the-art technology to improve cancer diagnosis and patient experience.

"We provide a university level of care, which is why the academic medical centers partner with us. We not only have state-of-the-art equipment, but also the necessary human expertise."

BECAUSE WE'RE HERE IN A CRISIS



The Patient

One afternoon in April 2014 my husband and I were in a head-on collision on the Carneros Highway after a reckless driver pulled into our lane from the opposite direction. John immediately asked me, "Are you okay?" I couldn't breathe or move my legs and I said, "I'm in trouble." Apparently two helicopters, several fire trucks, and an ambulance arrived on the scene, and the next thing I knew, I was in the Queen's ER.

I was really frightened, but the staff was so comforting, they calmed me down. For the next four days, I didn't know if it was day or night because of the heavy pain medication. Then came the hard part: I was in a wheelchair for six months. And it took a full year after that to feel like myself again. To get back to that illusion of control is a longer journey than you think.

My experience at the Queen was consistently excellent—I felt very protected. Because I'm fairly well known in the Valley, there was a lot of press around the accident, and my privacy was really respected by the staff. I had some pretty hard days in there, but they really took care of me.

Cindy Pawlcyn

Chef/Owner, Mustards and Cindy's Backstreet Kitchen
Culinary Adviser, Monterey Bay Aquarium

The Donors

We gave to the Queen's General Fund last year, but when it was time to give this year, we directed our donation to go to the Emergency Department. We feel particularly close to the ED, because we each volunteer there four hours every week. We're happy to do the menial tasks—like changing beds, filling the linen closets, providing warm blankets—so the nurses and technicians can focus on the patient's medical care, especially during peak periods. The ED staff is outstanding—they exemplify medical knowledge, combined with compassion, and we feel grateful to be part of it.

We both enjoy doing "roundings"—checking on the patients in each room every hour. They seem to enjoy just having someone to talk to. Waiting for test results when you're frightened and in pain is difficult. We feel it's important to give back to the Napa Valley community where we live, and volunteering in the ED gives us that opportunity. It's such an important part of the hospital—to many, it's the only part of the Queen they'll ever see.

Judy and Dick Peacock

Volunteers



The Doctor

I was on duty when Cindy Pawlcyn came in that day, and we immediately began a thorough assessment of her injuries. She had 25 fractures total, from her neck to her feet. Most of our initial interventions involved controlling her pain, though she was mostly focused on the well-being of the other accident victims. Our trauma surgeon was at the bedside within minutes of her arrival. Together we implemented the needed diagnostic tests and plan of care. Though Cindy suffered multiple injuries, her most serious involved her leg and foot. She was soon seen by our orthopaedic physician and foot surgeon. Her next stop was to the operating room.

We're the only trauma center in the Napa Valley. Doing a quick but thorough assessment and delivering interventions within that first "golden hour" are critical—the death and disability rates go down significantly if treated in that time. Without the Queen, Ms. Pawlcyn would have needed to be transported to another hospital many miles away, with that clock ticking.

Fortunately, we're ready 24/7/365—prepared with the best equipment and highly trained trauma specialists. All of our Emergency Department doctors are board-certified, and we have the finest, most skilled nurses I've ever worked with.

Andrew Fenton, M.D.

Medical Director, Emergency Department

The Challenge

In 2015, the Queen's Emergency Department cared for 33,020 lives—a 6% increase over the previous year.

The Value

The Queen is the only state-designated Trauma Center in Napa County. It serves as the base station for Napa County emergency services, with board-certified physicians and a medical team of emergency care specialists.

The Future

The hospital is investing \$5 million in new equipment, advanced training, and transforming patient rooms and nurses' stations to create a more healing environment.

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BECAUSE, WHEN YOU NEED BRAIN SURGERY, YOU NEED IT NOW



The Patient

In late August I was visiting my parents in Napa from Sacramento, where I go to school. I'd had a light headache for about a week, but it became excruciating. By the time my mom and dad carried me to the car, I was vomiting. I blacked out in the ED, and when I woke up they told me I'd been in surgery for five hours.

Apparently I'd ingested some bad bacteria—we suspect it was probably some produce that hadn't been properly washed. A worm larvae lodged in my head and formed a cyst that blocked the flow of fluid to my brain. Dr. Singel went in through my forehead with an endoscope and removed it. They said the worm was still wiggling when they pulled it out.

I spent two months as an in-patient, then was in acute rehab, and I'm still doing therapy at the Queen. I want to return to school as soon as I can, and they've just cleared me to drive. I value life so much more now—all the little normal things I used to take for granted. I'm so grateful to the hospital, with such great doctors and nurses, for handling such a critical situation. I was born at the Queen. Then I almost died there—but they saved my life.

Luis Ortiz

Student, California State University, Sacramento

The Donors

When my late wife, Peggy, suffered a traumatic brain injury in 2007 after being thrown from her horse, there was no neurosurgery offered in the Napa Valley. That's what inspired my children and me to create the Peggy Herman Neuroscience Center at the Queen in 2011. It doesn't make up for the loss, of course, but the fact that we can help others lessens the impact.

Peggy was a nurse at the Queen. I feel that she's had a hand in this, too. And my wife, Mary Beth, has supported this venture every step of the way. It's hard to put into words how gratifying it's been to hear from people thanking us for our donation, and how it's saved or extended their lives, or the lives of their loved ones. We've received an incredibly dramatic return on our investment.

Tim Herman

Trustee, Queen of the Valley Medical Center

Mary Beth Herman

Sales Executive, MarketPlace Magazine



The Doctor

When Mr. Ortiz came to the emergency room, pressure had built up in his brain causing herniation—a dangerous and usually fatal brain shift. He was going to die or have irreversible brain damage within the hour. The pressure was caused by a cyst around a tapeworm living in the center of his brain, which had blocked circulation of cerebrospinal fluid, like a cork in a bottle.

After a hole was drilled in the skull and a drain inserted to relieve the pressure, I removed the worm and cyst by navigating an endoscopic camera deep into the brain. This type of surgery is technically challenging and cannot be done without sophisticated computer technology and tools. Few hospitals are equipped for this type of situation.

Without the Queen, Mr. Ortiz would have had to go to San Francisco and time would likely have run out for him. He's fortunate that the Queen has one-stop access to world-class neuroscience, subspecialty expertise, advanced treatments, and state-of-the-art technology.

Soren A. Singel, M.D.

Director of the Peggy Herman Neuroscience Center

Fellow of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons

Associate Clinical Professor of Neurological Surgery, University of California San Francisco

The Challenge

More than 1.7 million people sustain a Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) each year in the U.S., and stroke is currently the third leading cause of death for Napa County residents.

The Value

The Queen's Peggy Herman Neuroscience Center provides a multidisciplinary, comprehensive continuum of care for patients suffering from a stroke, TBI, spinal-cord injury, or neurological condition.

The Future

The hospital is investing \$2.5 million in new equipment, technology, and advanced training for its neurological health care team.

“Mr. Ortiz was fortunate that the Queen has one-stop access to world-class neuroscience, subspecialty expertise, advanced treatments, and state-of-the-art technology.”

BECAUSE INTENSIVE CARE ISN'T JUST A BUILDING

The Patient

On September 1, we had just arrived from Chicago for a short vacation in the Napa Valley. The headache that had been bothering me for a few days had suddenly become a lot worse, and we were referred to the Queen's ED because that was the closest hospital. What I thought was just a serious headache turned into an impending brain herniation from a blood clot, and our six-day vacation turned into a month-long stay in the Queen's Intensive Care Unit.

On the second night of my stay, Dr. Soren Singel was doing a late-night check-in and discovered that a blood vessel had burst in my brain. There was no time to prepare the operating room, so he literally ran to get the necessary equipment and did an emergency ventriculostomy at my bedside, drilling a hole and inserting a drainage tube in my brain. No question, he saved my life. And the daily rounds of the multi-disciplinary team were so helpful—they really made us feel empowered and allowed us to participate in my care.

But it was the recovery experience that amazed us even more. The medical care I got is a given—that's just someone doing their job. It's the care and concern they showed Jenn, as the loved one, that put the Queen over the top. We both work in healthcare-related fields, and have seen countless hospitals. But we've never seen one on par with the level of care we both received at the Queen.

Chris Cordes

President of Employee Benefits, Hub International Midwest

Jennifer Schroeder

Senior Associate, Mercer

The Donors

We know that there are times when a hospital's normal delivery of care just isn't enough to enable full recovery from a health crisis. That's why the availability of intensive care is so important. For most of the folks in the Napa community, the Queen's ICU unit is the only local facility available to make such a transition. This is its importance.

Remembering her many kindnesses, we were happy to add our contribution to the Marjorie Mondavi Center for Intensive Care at the Queen.

We would urge anyone who thinks as we do about the critical need for this community facility to lend it their support.

Barbara and Warren Winiarski

Founders, Stag's Leap Wine Cellars
Owners, Arcadia Vineyards



The Doctor

At the Queen, our intensive care unit isn't just a place—it's a whole program designed for critically ill patients from the time they're admitted until the day they go home. We care for the sickest of the sick—people with life-threatening conditions or those who've had complex surgeries. The Marjorie Mondavi Center for Intensive Care opened in December 2014 and we began the intensivist program in July 2015.

An ICU doctor is on-site or on-call at all times, readily available to treat patients with the most aggressive treatments necessary. We customize a plan of care for every patient. Our team includes not just board-certified physicians and critical-care nurses but respiratory therapists; physical, occupational, and speech therapists; dietitians, case management and social workers; palliative care; and pastoral support. This multidisciplinary team does rounds regularly throughout the day, seeing patients and meeting with the families.

Few community hospitals offer this level of critical care, so the Queen is a destination for other hospitals in the North Bay and communities north of here. If you want to deliver the highest level of care to the sickest patients, having an intensivist program is essential.

Bradley Schroeder, M.D.

Director, Intensivist Program

The Challenge

ICU patients – the most critically ill of all patients in the hospital – require continuous nursing vigilance, complex assessment, and high-intensity therapies and interventions.

The Value

With its new Marjorie Mondavi Center for Intensive Care, the Queen is the rare regional hospital that offers both state-of-the-art facilities and a dedicated, multidisciplinary intensive program for its sickest patients.

The Future

By continually investing in emerging technologies, highly skilled nurses and therapists, as well as board-certified intensivist physicians, the Queen's ICU is at the forefront of 21st-century critical care.

“Few community hospitals offer this level of critical care. If you want to deliver the highest level of care to the sickest patients, having an intensivist program is essential.”

BECAUSE WE'RE MOVING FORWARD

Technology has never changed faster than it does today—every year there are dramatic improvements, making old equipment and practices obsolete. This is especially true in medicine, where technological advances are inspired by scientific discoveries and breakthroughs in the lab. Thanks to the foresight of our generous donors, Queen of the Valley is able to stay at the leading edge of technology for hospitals nationwide.

Here's a look at some of the newest equipment your gifts will help to make possible, saving even more lives in the years ahead.



The Elekta Infinity™ Linear Accelerator

At some point during their illnesses, two-thirds of all cancer patients will need to receive radiation therapy, reducing the need or degree of surgery. This digital linear accelerator will allow the Queen to offer the latest, most advanced radiation treatment to save, prolong, and improve patients' lives.

"The Elekta Infinity™ provides high-precision localization of radiation at ultra-low doses, enabling us to image daily without unnecessary risk to our patients," says radiation oncologist James Knister, M.D. "It requires shorter treatment times, less discomfort, and higher accuracy rates. And that means better outcomes and fewer side effects for our patients."



The HOLOGIC® Selenia® Dimensions® Breast Tomosynthesis System

The first hospital in the North Bay to offer digital mammography, the Queen will soon be one of the first facilities in the Napa Valley to provide 3D imaging. This new technology can increase breast cancer detection by up to a third of cases. It will greatly improve accuracy, lowering the need for a second screening by 15 percent. And it delivers a very low exposure of radiation—just a fraction of the level to which we're exposed by just being outdoors.

"3D imaging is the most significant improvement in mammographic screening that I've seen in my career," says radiologist David Goller, M.D. "It will help us find additional cancers, detect them earlier, and make us more confident in our diagnoses overall. This equipment will make a dramatic improvement in women's health. It will absolutely save lives."



The Siemens Symbia S SPECT Nuclear Medicine Camera

Nuclear medicine is one of the most common practices for diagnosing, treating, and preventing a wide range of medical conditions. It's used across all fields, particularly cardiology, oncology, endocrinology, neurology, pediatrics, and surgery. Because nuclear medicine scans can pinpoint molecular activity, they can often identify disease in its earliest stages, allowing for more successful outcomes.

"The new camera will improve our delivery of care in two ways," says Dr. Goller. "The first is improved image resolution to find diseases earlier or at a more subtle stage. It will enable us to perform highly accurate organ and tissue-specific studies. And it scans much faster, so we can treat patients more quickly."

BECAUSE OF NAPA VALLEY VINTNERS

Since 1981, Napa Valley Vintners (NVV) has generously invested in the Queen's community benefit programs with proceeds from its signature fundraiser, Auction Napa Valley. In 2015, NVV once again granted the Queen \$500,000 to support the CARE Network (Case management, Advocacy, Resources, and Education), which promotes wellness and disease prevention for individuals who would otherwise be unable to afford such services.

The CARE Network enables self-management with resources such as nursing, social work, and behavioral and spiritual health. In 2015, it served 483 local clients, resulting in a 61 percent decrease in emergency room visits and a 65 percent decrease in hospitalizations.



The CARE Network's many community partners include:

- Area Agency on Aging
- Community Action Napa Valley
- Family Services Napa Valley
- Healthy Minds Healthy Aging
- Legal Aid of Napa Valley
- Napa Community Housing
- Napa County Health and Human Services
- Napa Valley Hospice & Adult Day Services
- OLE Health

We're so grateful to Napa Valley Vintners for its ongoing support of our CARE Network, which improves the health and quality of life for our community's most vulnerable populations. Such programs honor our mission and heritage as a Catholic Health Ministry, and our partnership with NVV demonstrates its investment in our whole valley.

Dana Codron

Executive Director
Community Outreach Development
Queen of the Valley Medical Center

Napa Valley Vintners supports and invests in the local community—we believe in taking care of this special place with the same devotion we give to our vines and our wines. We're committed to helping build a stronger, better, healthier community, and the Queen's CARE Network is integral to that goal.

Becky Peterson

Member and Community Relations Director
Napa Valley Vintners



I agreed to co-chair the Generous Heart event because of my personal experience with the Queen. I had my first child there, and was so incredibly impressed with the level of care and expertise that I wanted to ensure that it could continue. I have a background in healthcare and have seen some of the best hospitals in the world—and the Queen is at the forefront in excellent healthcare delivery.

At the Generous Heart gala, it was amazing to look around the room and see so many generations of Napa Valley families, all in the same place to support this remarkable hospital. At any moment any of us could be impacted by a health issue. We all need to ensure the future of this incredible asset right here in our backyard.

Lydia Mondavi
Co-chair, Generous Heart Gala



Generous Heart @ The Hangar

The Queen of the Valley Foundation honored many of its most “generous hearts” with its third-annual Generous Heart event on September 26 at the Napa Jet Center Hangar. The signature fundraiser netted more than \$2 million for the Queen’s Regional Heart Center—including an unexpected gift of \$1 million from gala honorees Patty and Stan Teaderman that pushed the total into record territory.



The 24 lots presented by auctioneer Fritz Hatton included private dinners; trips to New York, Jackson Hole, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and Havana; and more. The total raised included \$270,000 in Fund-a-Need donations. Proceeds from the entire event will help the Queen acquire a new, multifunctional cardiac catheterization lab and a nuclear medicine imaging platform that will increase the hospital’s ability to conduct minimally invasive procedures and treat a wide range of clinical problems.



Special thanks go to co-chairs Nancy Duckhorn, Paula Kornell, Lydia Mondavi, Dorothy Salmon, and Kass Simon.

Day for the Queen



The 38th annual Day for the Queen adopted a casual-meets-elegant tone with a “Denim and Dazzle” theme at Silverado Resort and Spa on July 31 and August 21. The two days of events—which included tennis and golf tournaments as well as a luncheon and fashion show—honored local businesswoman Barbara Wiggins, who has produced the fashion show for the past 30 years. Proceeds will benefit Project Patient Connect, a state-of-the-art nurse call system that enables nurses to instantly link with their patients and physicians, and allows for immediate communication among the entire medical team over a secure network.

Reach for the Stars



The Queen of the Valley Foundation’s 22nd annual luncheon and fashion show on February 21 attracted nearly 400 guests to Silverado Resort and Spa. The highlight of the sold-out luncheon was watching cancer survivors of all ages walk the fashion runway in an affirmation of their personal optimism and courage.



The cancer survivor models, aged 2 to 83, modeled clothing from local boutiques, and more than 120 volunteers joined them to make the event a success. Inspired by the courageous models, guests bid in the silent auction and raised their paddles during the Fund-a-Need to help raise more than \$185,000 to support the Queen’s Cancer Wellness Program. More than 660 patients have benefited from the Cancer Wellness Program since it was launched in 2007.

A GREAT CAUSE: LEGACY GIFTS

When we pass on, often all that's left is memories. Lonnie Lumsden, for example, is remembered for his happy marriage, his love of long walks, and his distinguished military service. After a career based in Florida and Hawaii, he happily retired to Napa with his wife, Margaret, before he passed away last year. Mr. Lumsden, however, leaves behind much more than that. Because he left a generous estate gift to the Queen of the Valley's endowment fund, his legacy is supporting the hospital every year in perpetuity.



Margaret and Lonnie Lumsden

Creative Ways to Plan a Gift

You don't need to be wealthy to make a meaningful contribution. With a variety of giving options, you can demonstrate your gratitude to the hospital, enjoy tax benefits, and even augment your income through your generosity. Depending on the nature of your gift, the Foundation honors donors with membership in giving groups such as Circle of Friends and the Queen's Heritage Circle.

Here are just a few of the ways you can make a gift to the Queen:

- **JOIN** a donor club
- **INCLUDE** the Queen in your will or trust
- **HONOR** a loved one with a tribute or memorial gift
- **STRUCTURE** a charitable gift annuity
- **TRANSFER** a gift of stocks, property, or appreciated assets
- **RESTRICT** your gift to a particular program
- **INCREASE** the Queen's Endowment Fund

Our Foundation staff can provide confidential consultations—with no obligation to you—about how these and other forms of philanthropy can benefit both the Queen and your family.

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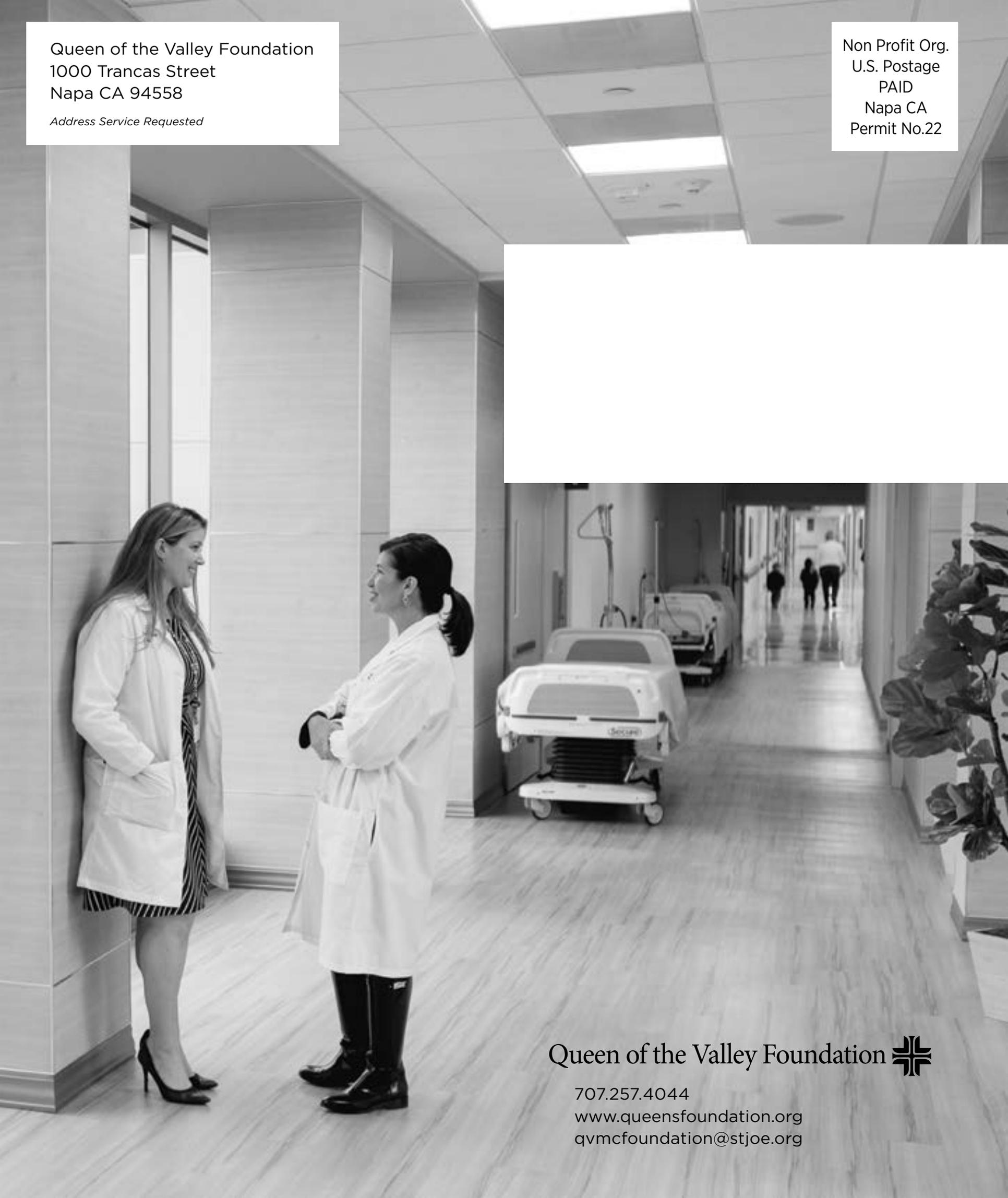
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