

# Generosity Impacting Lives

Disbursements from October 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014

Thanks to our family of donors, McLaren Northern Michigan Foundation has disbursed more than **\$262,613** from October 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014. This update showcases how these gifts to the Foundation are hard at work changing the lives of patients throughout northern Michigan. By supporting Boulder Park Terrace, McLaren Northern Michigan Petoskey and Cheboygan Campuses, VitalCare Adult Day Center, Hospice of Little Traverse Bay, Hospice of the Straits and Hospice of the Sunrise Shore, you make an immediate impact on the care received in your community. As we look to the future, we hope you will partner with us to ensure that compassionate, quality care is available for you, your loved ones and your neighbors.

Sincerely,



Moon Seagren  
Vice President and Chief Development Officer  
McLaren Northern Michigan Foundation



Ham Schirmer  
Board Chair  
McLaren Northern Michigan Foundation



## Generous Donations Helping Your Family, Friends and Neighbors

**Many projects were funded from October 1 - December 31, 2014.**

**Here are highlights of just a few of those projects.**

### STAR® PROGRAM CERTIFICATION

Funded through philanthropy, a multidisciplinary team of clinical professionals recently received Survivorship Training and Rehabilitation (STAR®) certification for cancer rehabilitation.

Often, cancer survivors suffer from debilitating side effects after treatment such as pain, fatigue, weakness, insomnia, memory loss, fear, anxiety or depression. Many survivors accept their lower quality of life as "their new normal." The STAR® program multidisciplinary team seeks to eliminate or reduce these side effects by intensifying efforts to identify issues as early as possible, creating a customized plan for rehabilitation and treatment that will address each patient's individual needs, connecting patients with community resources, and navigating them through their journey to a better quality of life. We have assisted **29 patients** through STAR® on the Petoskey and Cheboygan Campuses through March 31.

### PATIENT ASSISTANCE

A life-threatening illness is both emotionally and financially taxing. The Patient Assistance Fund helps decrease some of the financial stress for patients needing assistance. Between October 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014, the McLaren Northern Michigan Foundation disbursed **\$35,254** to help **635** patients.

We disbursed **\$8,207** in gas cards alone during this three-month period. These gas cards eliminated a barrier for patients traveling long distances needing treatment for their condition, such as chemo or radiation therapy.

Patient assistance helps alleviate some of the financial obstacles individuals face when dealing with illness. This fund helps by providing for a variety of needs and expenses including but not limited to gas cards, food and lodging, prescriptions and minor medical equipment.

### EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

From October 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014, **\$39,066** was awarded to **38** employees for continuing education scholarships.

From academic nursing degree program scholarships to certification preparation workshops to leadership classes and attendance at national conferences, McLaren Northern Michigan colleagues have greatly benefited from your support.

Thanks to our donors, McLaren Northern Michigan patients, families and community members are able to receive compassionate, skilled care close to home.

### NOTE FROM A GRATEFUL PATIENT

*"When we found out that we would need to travel the 120 miles round-trip to Petoskey from our home in order for my husband to receive treatments 5 days a week for 6 weeks, we worried about how we would manage our limited budget. Thanks to you, our worry has been removed. In this stressful time, it is good to know that there are such caring people willing to help with gas cards and expensive medications. Thank you so much for your support!"*



### YOU HAVE OUR PROMISE

As a McLaren Northern Michigan Foundation donor, you will have unwavering confidence that your gift will be optimized to provide superior patient care and knowledge that your generosity will impact you, your family and your community for generations to come.

# A Single Gift Can Impact Thousands of Lives

## Top **FIVE** 2015 Funding Priorities

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### **TRAUMA CENTER LEVEL II DESIGNATION 2015 GOAL: \$1,770,000**

In 2018, Michigan will launch a mandated state-wide trauma care system. This system will dictate where trauma patients can be treated and recover from serious injuries. If McLaren Northern Michigan fails to achieve a Level 2 designation by then, many trauma patients will have to be transported to a distant facility for care.

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### **AREA OF GREATEST NEED (UNRESTRICTED) 2015 GOAL: \$1,700,000**

Unrestricted gifts provide crucial funding to allow us to respond to immediate needs by enabling us to purchase new equipment, invest in new technology, upgrade our facilities and train our staff. Additionally, some unrestricted donations are being reserved for a significant hospital renovation project in the near future.

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### **CARDIOVASCULAR SERVICES 2015 GOAL: \$535,000**

- Stryker Cart (used while patients receive an echo or vascular study)
- Cell Saver for Cardiothoracic Surgery
- Inline High Definition Camera
- Activated Clotting Time Machine
- Patient Tracking System
- Power Injector
- Telehealth Monitoring Program

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### **ONCOLOGY SERVICES 2015 GOAL: \$250,000**

#### **Outpatient Oncology Services**

- Patient Navigator

#### **Infusion Center**

- Static Air Cushions

#### **Radiation Oncology Unit**

- Nutritional supplements

#### **Palliative Care Program**

- Focuses on pain management

#### **Cancer Survivorship Program**

- Provides guidance, education and support to cancer patients and their families

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### **VITALCARE HOSPICE SERVICES 2015 GOAL: \$236,000**

Thanks to the support of generous donors like you, our hospice team which includes physicians, nurses, social workers, counselors, nurse aides, spiritual care providers and specially trained volunteers are able to provide quality compassionate, skilled care to patients and their loved ones every year.

## **McLaren Northern Michigan Foundation**

Supports the needs of:

### **Boulder Park Terrace**

### **McLaren Northern Michigan**

Cheboygan Campus  
Petoskey Campus

### **VitalCare**

Adult Day Center  
Hospice of Little Traverse Bay  
Hospice of the Straits  
Hospice of the Sunrise Shore



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