



Driscoll

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**IMPACT
REPORT**



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As we bid farewell to another remarkable year, we extend our deepest gratitude to all who have partnered with us in the lifesaving work happening at Driscoll Children's Hospital.

Your generosity has been nothing short of transformative, providing resources that have allowed us to enhance medical care, advance research, and create an environment of healing and hope. Thanks to your donations, we've been able to invest in cutting-edge technologies, recruit top-tier medical professionals, and ensure that our patients receive the best possible care and that their families have the support they need.

In reflecting upon the collective efforts of our community, we are inspired by the profound change we've witnessed. As we embark on a new year, we carry forward

the momentum of your support, knowing that each donation has a ripple effect that extends far beyond the walls of the hospital.

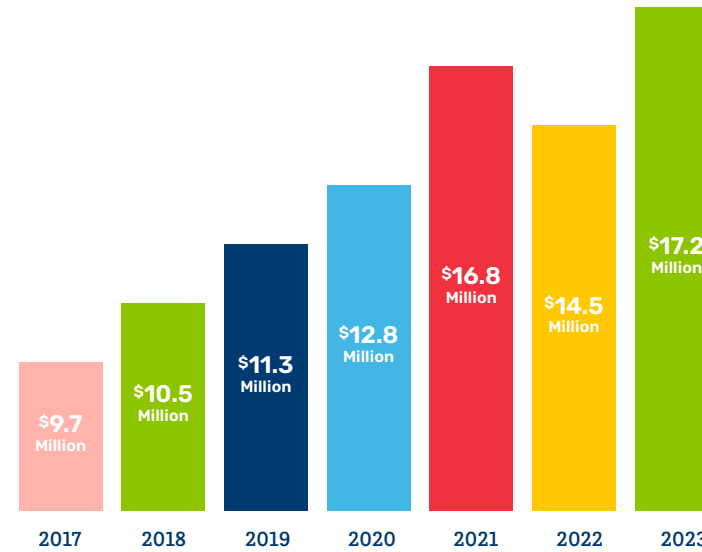
In 2024 there will be more care for more kids, including the Pavilion expansion in Corpus Christi and a brand-new designated children's hospital in the Rio Grande Valley. Your gift is impactful in providing this care.

You are the driving force behind our mission to achieve the best possible outcomes for the youngest members of our community. Your impact will be felt for generations.

Together, we heal.



Endowment at a Glance



Endowment Funds

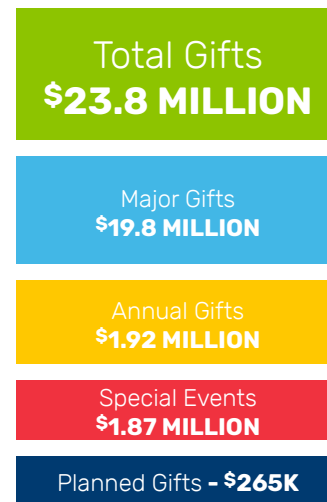
Individual donor/board established endowments held by Driscoll Children's Development Foundation, Inc.

Established as of 8/31/2022
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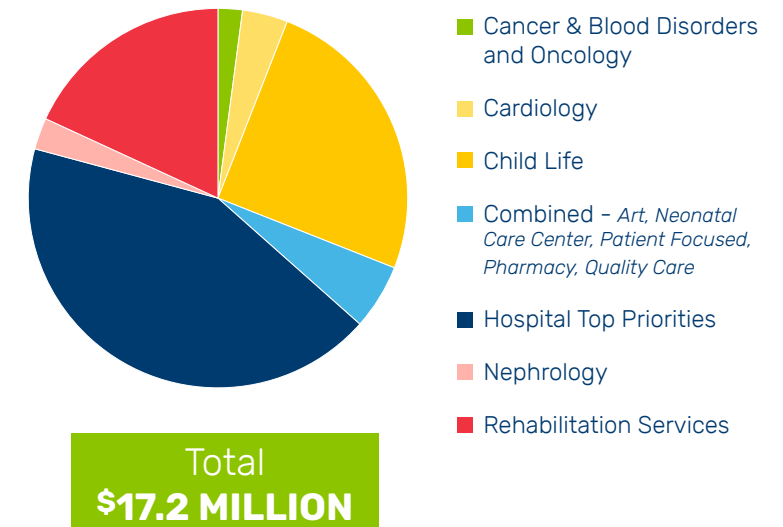
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Total Endowments as of 8/31/23
23

Fundraising Program, Cash & Pledges 2023



Endowment Designation





Coastal Bend Community Foundation teamed up with Driscoll to begin to deliver mental health care in local schools.

To address the mental health crisis facing young people, Coastal Bend Community Foundation initiated an \$800,000 grant for a mental health pilot program. The grant, provided from an estate and a local family foundation, allowed Driscoll to launch a Mental Health Pilot Program with Corpus Christi Independent School District (CCISD).

More than one year into the three-year program, the results have been inspiring and provide a stark reminder of the work that remains.

Driscoll placed six full-time mental health specialists in six different schools to support teachers and parents in caring for children with behavioral issues.

In the first seven months of the program, Driscoll's mental health specialists intervened to help 17 mental health crises. During this time, Driscoll mental health specialists visited with 191 students and held 409 follow up visits.

These visits saw students in crisis, children with difficult lives at home, or overwhelmed kids who simply needed someone to talk to. The work has prevented many students from turning to self-harm to deal with their problems.

Each day, the program continues to show that making experienced mental health professionals available in local schools makes a difference and saves lives.

"Parents expressed their excitement during open house, when they found out that their school had been selected to receive services. Rapport on the campus between myself and the teachers, admin, aides, and other workers has been phenomenal, and they are incredibly supportive of the work being done."

Testimony from Driscoll mental health specialist

It's all about heart.

Construction of a new cardiac intensive care unit at Driscoll Children's Hospital is currently underway. Located on the 3rd floor of the Pavilion, it's where some of Driscoll's most at-risk patients will be cared for. The brand-new surgical suite would not be possible without Shirley and Tim Jambers, who made a \$1 million gift to Driscoll Children's Hospital to see this effort done.

The cardiac intensive care space will be named The Schroeder Jambers Family Cardiac Intensive Care Unit in honor of their gift. The family hopes their gift will inspire others to give.

The Schroeder and Jambers families trace their roots to farming and ranching in South Texas, and they maintain the values of that history and share them across generations: a strong work ethic, the importance of family, caring for resources, and helping where it is needed. As Shirley's father, Albert Schroeder, said when asked about facing the challenges of farming, "sometimes you just gotta have faith."



The Jambers toured Driscoll with a notion of making a gift, and that visit solidified the thoughts they had been having about where they could help the most. Shirley said, "We visited the cardiac unit and a surgeon there was prepping for a patient. He took a moment to explain to us the complicated nature of this procedure and that 'there's no template - the situation is unique'. God put the needs of these families on our hearts to support this work. We don't know them, but we can assist them in having hope for their children."

The legacy the family is creating in this innovative medical space will be felt for generations. Their belief in caring for neighbors is being championed by future generations as well. Other family members, including their grandson Jack, age 11, have contributed to this fund.

The impact of this gift from the heart of the Schroeder and Jambers families will be felt by many South Texas children and families.





Auxiliary volunteers donate \$1 million to Driscoll

Members of the Auxiliary, the volunteer organization that supports Driscoll, donated an amazing \$1 million gift this past fiscal year. The generous gift is the largest donation by the Auxiliary in its 71-year history of helping Driscoll Children's Hospital. The contribution is supporting four major Driscoll projects.

A total of \$750,000 of the donation will go to building out the Pavilion in support of the Heart Center at Driscoll's Corpus Christi campus.

Construction for a 25-bed Pediatric Cardiac Intensive Care Unit and a 10-bed Pediatric Congenital Heart Unit is underway. These pediatric units will operate alongside four new heart-focused procedure suites, or surgery rooms.

The Auxiliary gift has also committed \$100,000 to a patient experience endowment. The funds will be used to allow patients to participate in new experiences or out-of-hospital opportunities with the intention to provide them with a sense

of normalcy. Another \$100,000 of the Auxiliary donation will be used to construct an outdoor playground, and \$50,000 will go to The Brighten the World Endowment, which provides beanies and blankets for babies at Driscoll's Neonatal Care Center at CHRISTUS Spohn - South.

"As Driscoll Children's Hospital celebrates its 70th year of serving the children of South Texas, it also celebrates the 71-year history of the Driscoll Auxiliary and the longstanding commitment of its volunteers to enriching the lives of patients and families at Driscoll," said Karen Bartek, president of the Auxiliary to Driscoll Children's Hospital. "In addition to dedicating their time volunteering at the hospital, Auxiliary members also help organize fundraisers that offer financial support to the hospital."



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Driscoll Children's Hospital Rio Grande Valley is nearing completion. Already, almost two-thirds of the job openings needed to open the hospital have been filled. The search for top talent continues, aided by a transformative \$17 million gift by the Valley Baptist Legacy Foundation to recruit world-class pediatric doctors to the Valley.

The new hospital will become the region's first freestanding designated children's hospital when it opens summer 2024. Driscoll is ramping up its healthcare infrastructure in the Valley to prepare for the transformative moment.

In October, Driscoll opened a second Quick Care clinic in the Valley, creating another option for families to seek care for their children. This new clinic in Edinburg provides treatment for minor illnesses and injuries, such as flu-like symptoms or small cuts that may require stitches. Families can expect prompt treatment and a local medical staff who are available to see patients until closing time at 11 p.m.

The Quick Care is located right next to Driscoll Children's Hospital Rio Grande Valley.

This past fiscal year, Driscoll also opened other pediatric medical services in the region including an endocrinology clinic in McAllen, an endocrinology & diabetes clinic in Brownsville, and a sleep clinic in Laredo.

The need for more pediatric healthcare in the Valley is clear. Driscoll saw a 9 percent increase in outpatient clinic visits this past year, representing 4,000 more patient visits in the Valley, mostly in Brownsville and McAllen.

Driscoll is proud to keep the momentum going and build out the most robust pediatric healthcare system in the Rio Grande Valley.

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