To our generous supporters,

Since early 2020, Sibley has planned, prepared and pivoted to meet the changing demands of COVID-19 and our community’s health. During these unprecedented challenges, one thing has remained constant — your support. You have helped us continue to provide compassionate and excellent care throughout the pandemic.

We frequently hear from our colleagues how much your donations have meant to them. Whether you sustained our front-line team by providing meals, helped fund our emergency response efforts or supported building resiliency in our team, your gifts have been and will continue to be a bright spot as we move forward. We are truly humbled by your generosity.

Your contributions have funded state-of-the-art equipment, continuing education for staff, community and senior programs, ongoing clinical trials and more. On behalf of the Sibley Memorial Hospital Foundation Board of Trustees, our physicians and nurses, and the rest of the Sibley team — but most importantly, on behalf of our patients, the true beneficiaries of your generosity — we thank you for your enduring support.

With gratitude,

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INNOVATING DURING COVID-19

COVID-19 transformed life for all of us, and while the arrival of multiple vaccines has given us hope for the future, providing high-quality care and ensuring the safety of our patients and our team have been, and will continue to be, our top priorities. Every day, philanthropy plays a critical role in our ability to respond to an ever-changing environment.

Sibley medical staff members provided an astounding

64,525 telemedicine visits
from March 2020–August 2021.

Through the COVID-19 vaccine clinic at Sibley, nearly

26,000 vaccinations were administered to community members, with an additional 2,500 vaccinations given to those at clinics in medically underserved areas of D.C.

Caring for our community throughout the COVID-19 pandemic challenged our entire staff in ways not previously experienced. Through the Feed the Front Lines fund, Sibley’s incredibly generous community helped us deliver more than 40,000 meals to doctors, nurses and care teams here in the hospital and enabled us to provide 3,600 bags of groceries to Sibley staff members who were financially challenged by the pandemic. Donor philanthropy also helped establish Resilience in Stressful Events (RISE), a program in which staff members complete an eight-hour course enabling them to support their peers when they experience traumatic events while on the job. Additional staff resilience and support can be found through EASE, a program to support staff experiencing temporary financial stress.


Among many things, this pandemic taught me the importance of human connections and that these interactions cannot be taken for granted. In this context, palliative care has brought that connection and compassionate care to patients enduring serious illness, reducing distress and improving their quality of life. Through donor philanthropy, our staff has continued to deliver the best possible care to people with life-limiting illnesses.

CARING FOR THE CAREGIVERS

My department is very grateful to the community for providing us with food and other items during a time of great need. Your involvement gave us energy to perform our best. Thanks to our fantastic community.

SUPPORTING SENIORS

Because of the Foundation, Club Memory® reached out to more than 800 seniors through our biweekly mailed handouts and weekly Zoom meetings. So many members reported that we have helped them avoid social isolation during the pandemic and brought them much joy and laughter while challenging their memory and critical-thinking skills.

SHARON SELLERS, Sibley Senior Association

DR. SANDRA PEDRAZA, Director, Palliative Care; Assistant Professor, Oncology

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Even during a pandemic, cancer doesn’t wait. The Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center at Sibley took the necessary measures to ensure patient safety while continuing to provide excellent care. Improving access to cancer care in the National Capital Region is a top priority. In March 2019, in collaboration with Unity Health Care, Sibley established the Johns Hopkins Cancer Care Clinic at Unity Health Care within the Parkside Health Center in Ward 7 to address health care disparities for its residents. Additional donor philanthropy provides for a nurse navigator and patient navigator — specialized staff members who support patients on their care journey from diagnosis to survivorship — based at Sibley to focus exclusively on this underserved population. Since the clinic’s founding, 95 patients have been seen at the clinic, with 45 receiving oncology treatment at Sibley.

We are proud to be the providers of choice for the region, ensuring expert, innovative and compassionate care in an accessible community location.

I am ecstatic to know that our donor community values our most precious resource — our nurses! Through your support we are able to provide continuing education at no cost to our nurses. Endless appreciation to our supporters for investing in our team so that we provide patients with the best care!”

“The Johns Hopkins Proton Therapy Center is celebrating two years since its opening in 2019, treating 500 patients over the course of nearly 14,000 treatments.

Through donor support, we facilitated continuing education for oncology nurses, defraying the cost of course materials, certification fees, conferences and more. Now, 80% of Sibley’s oncology nurses are oncology certified nurses, which improves staff retention and enhances patient care.

We would like to extend our gratitude to the Sibley community for their generosity to us all. Thank you for sponsoring educational opportunities and supporting cancer research. You are truly second to none!”

There are 70 open active oncology clinical trials underway for breast, orthopaedic, gynecologic, upper aerodigestive and genitourinary cancers, including immunotherapy options.
Contributions to the Sibley Senior Association helped us deliver meaningful programming for older adults via webinars and Zoom meetings. From Club Memory®, our social support group for individuals affected by memory and cognitive impairment, to exercise classes, support groups and more, your generosity makes these much-needed services possible.

Two other donor-funded initiatives supporting Sibley’s older patients are the Nursing Improving Care for Health System Elders (NICHE) and Presurgical Rehabilitative and Integrative Medicine for Elders (PRIME) programs. The NICHE program at Sibley provides nurse-led education and a consultation program designed to improve health outcomes for our older patient population. NICHE also provides resources and assistive devices to Sibley’s older adult patients through care delivered by our team of specially trained geriatric nurses. PRIME is a program focused on implementing a patient-centered approach to optimize presurgical care and outcomes for older adults.

Contributions to the Sibley Senior Association distributed tablet computers to seniors to help bridge the digital divide. Weekly training sessions empowered seniors in Club Memory® and helped reduce isolation.

Sibley staff members have offered the senior population an average of 10 classes and workshops per week in meditation and mindfulness, tai chi, qi gong/body awakening and yoga, as well as travelogues and COVID-19 updates.

My father has finally mastered the use of his new tablet, and he is so happy. We are so grateful that my dad feels reconnected to his community of friends. Before he received the tablet, he was somewhat isolated, but now he looks forward to Club Memory® and the virtual programs at the Congress Heights Senior Wellness Center. He has even taught me a little bit about Zoom!”

WARD 8 RESIDENT

We are grateful to our donors who support services for Sibley’s aging community members.
Over the past year, with donor support, we’ve been able to provide self-care bags, health equity and implicit bias education, and trainings for our amazing health care professionals. Your support gave us a much-needed boost of resilience during this challenging time so we can continue to provide the best care to our moms and babies.”

ALEXIS WHITE, R.N., M.S.N.,
Women’s & Infants’ Services

Donor generosity continues to impact women in all facets of their health care journey at Sibley. The Anne and Donald Grant Kelly Center for Gynecologic Oncology and Advanced Pelvic Surgery at Sibley offers a full range of surgical, screening and rehabilitation services for women with gynecologic cancers and other complex gynecologic problems through innovative surgical techniques delivered with a patient- and family-centered approach. In addition, we are able to offer our patients gynecologic oncology survivorship programs, and support for patients in financial need through the Center for Patient and Family Services. Expanding access to treatment and removing barriers to care is another important area of focus for Sibley.

Through an investment from the A. James & Alice B. Clark Foundation, the Maternal Health Access Program at Sibley is serving women by improving access to prenatal and high-risk care. Recently, donor philanthropy has supported nursing education and training, health equity training, research, and existing and future clinical trials. New hires in this area will help to build community trust, address health disparities and enhance access to providers who specialize in maternal-fetal medicine.

NEARLY 4,000 BABIES WERE BORN AT SIBLEY OVER THE PAST YEAR.

Sibley is proud to be a destination of clinical excellence, performing nearly 600 gynecologic surgeries per year.

ASHLEY PURWIN, NP; DR. JEFFREY LIN; BRITTANY ROBERTS, NP; DR. MILDRED CHERNOFSKY
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THANK YOU

We are grateful to everyone who chooses to support Sibley through a contribution. Our patients, their family members, our Sibley care team, and our entire community all benefit from your generosity.