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Happy New Year!

We are all so energized by the new year and all the many activities taking place to improve the health of our community. Thank you to all of our generous donors!

Your gifts are really impacting the health of our community as demonstrated by Alhadnoh Karanga with "The Biggest Smile Ever!" He received care, education and humankindness by our great team at the Children's Dental Health Clinic. This clinic has been able to expand into the most needed areas of our community thanks to generous supporters.

Speaking of expansion... be on the lookout for our new Comprehensive Cancer Clinics at both Chandler Regional and Mercy Gilbert Medical Centers. This means that patients and their families will receive full emotional, spiritual and physical support in a time of greatest need.

More information on helping orthopedics patients is provided below - from the success of our most recent fun run - to the upcoming 14th annual George Rozsa Golf Classic and the impressive Kindness Closet that recently opened at Chandler Regional Medical Center. You can always learn more at our newly-revitalized website www.supportdignityhealtheastvalley.org. I hope you will find a program that connects with your heart.

Join us in improving the health of our community,

Aaron Peace, President
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The Biggest Smile Ever - Children's Dental Clinic Receives Grant



Improving access to health care for the medically underserved is an integral part of the Dignity Health Mission. Oral health was revealed as an unmet need in the Phoenix East Valley community when a screening program identified a majority of children experiencing tooth decay. In response to this need the Chandler Children's Dental Clinic opened on the campus of Galveston Elementary School in the Chandler Unified School District. This Clinic is currently the only location in the East Valley where children can receive comprehensive preventive clinical services at no cost - although thanks to generous supporters, expansion plans are underway.

Delta Dental Foundation awarded the Dignity Health Foundation East Valley a \$12,000 grant award for 2016 to support the Dignity Health Community Oral Health Programs and the Dental Clinic. The grant monies will be used to continue to provide preventive appointments and oral health education for children and adults in the East Valley community, as well as screening and fluoride varnish applications for children ages 6 through 18. Thank you to Delta Dental Foundation. Thank you as well to the Women's Philanthropic Society - *Power of the Purse* who also chose this worthwhile program as a recipient of their donations in 2015.

So much more than Golf...

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Photo of the Dignity Health trainers working with Gilbert Public Schools to prevent and treat sports injuries.

You're invited to join the golfers and volunteers who are supporting orthopedic patients this year at the 14th Annual George Rozsa Golf Classic. The golf tournament, in honor of longtime volunteer George Rozsa, fills up fast - so reserve your spot or sponsorship now... and please consider donating a prize (of any dollar amount) to this year's raffle. Thank you to volunteer co-chairs Tom Canale of RDC Realty and Dave Sobeck of Carollo Engineers, who are leading a golf committee that is planning a lot of surprises for Friday, April 15th at 11am.



Tim Bricker and our amazing doctors are always on the links showing support and talking about their programs. Thanks to Premier Emergency Medical Specialists for serving as the title sponsor in 2016. Visit www.georgerozsagolfclassic.org and click events to view sponsorships, prizes or more event details. RSVP by calling the *Foundation* at [480.728.3931](tel:480.728.3931).



Thank you Making It a Joint Effort supporters!

Thank you for showing your support of Orthopedic Programs at Chandler Regional and Mercy Gilbert Medical Centers through the Inaugural Making it a Joint Effort 5K and 1 mile Run/Walk at Kiwanis Park in Tempe. It was a successful event with over 240 supporters where monies raised will benefit the Sports Medicine, Total Joint Replacement Program and Kindness Closet. This event was a success at over \$10,000 raised because of you, thank you!

We sincerely appreciate your time and energy bringing awareness to the east valley's premiere Orthopedic Programs. We hope you had so much fun that you will join us again next year and invite your friends, family and colleagues in *Making it a Joint Effort*.

Thank you to event sponsors and orthopedic patient supporters:



To view the professional photos captured at the Fun Run please view the following links:

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Adaptive Equipment Loan Closet is now available at CRMC!

Patients utilizing this closet have been thrilled! They receive hands on training and educational handouts from a certified therapist to ensure safe and appropriate use of the equipment at home. Thank you to all who have donated items or [donated to the fund](#) via the Foundation's website.

Medical Equipment or Cash Donations still Needed for the Loan Closet:
wheelchairs, bed canes, bathtub grab bars, tub transfer benches, shower chairs, shelving unit, utility cart, and hanging unit for walkers/crutches.

Everyone is Dancing.... what a great way to improve health and support stroke patients



The Dancing for Stroke black tie event will be back October 1st - and Charles Schwab joins in the fun in 2016 with their own spectacular event.

Remember www.dancingforstrokeaz.com and check the website often for more details including information on how neurowellness programs are helping patients!

Thank you to all of our donors who have given more than \$125 since our last newsletter - we appreciate you!

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Team Member Laurel Vetsch: Currently serving as Grants Manager for the Dignity Health Foundation East Valley, Laurel has more than 15 years' experience successfully obtaining grants for healthcare agencies, universities, and other non-profit organizations. Recently, Laurel has expanded the Foundation's grant program significantly and is spearheading efforts throughout the service area. Laurel has successfully obtained grants for east valley community outreach programs including Children's Dental Clinic, Building Blocks for Children, Think First, and teen pregnancy and parenting programs. Other accomplishments include: obtaining a \$500,000 grant from Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust towards the building of the new tower at Chandler Regional; obtaining the largest grant of over \$2 million from First Things First, and significant annual grants from the City of Chandler. Laurel seeks opportunities to support the hospitals through grant funds for other service line areas including orthopedics, maternal-child health, trauma, and cardiovascular. If you are interested in grants for your programs, please let Rex or Catrina know or contact Laurel directly at Laurel.Vetsch@DignityHealth.org or [480-728-3931](tel:480-728-3931).

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