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## The Gila River Indian Community Supports Dental Health for the Underserved



Do you know which chronic disease is the most prevalent among children? Underserved children are particularly vulnerable to the detrimental effects of this condition, as it endangers their overall health and wellbeing. You might be surprised to learn that it is tooth decay. Left untreated, tooth decay can lead to increased risk for pain and infections that can lead to long term complications by impacting a child's speech, sleep, nutrition and ability to succeed in school. Dignity Health's oral health outreach efforts were recently given a boost through a generous donation to our Children's Dental Clinic by the Gila River Indian Community. Funding was requested and granted in the amount of \$49,655 to the Children's Dental Clinic located in the Chandler CARE Center in the Chandler Redevelopment Area. The Chandler Children's Dental Clinic is a collaborative effort between Dignity Health, Chandler Unified School District and St. Vincent de Paul Clinic. The school district provides space and equipment for Dignity Health to provide preventive dental services and St. Vincent de Paul to provide restorative services. The Chandler clinic is staffed with a registrar, coordinator, educator and dental hygienists. Each has a unique role that contributes to the success of a public health dental clinic. The bilingual registrar develops relationships with families which encourages scheduling of appointments and decreases no shows. The educator's role is to provide oral health education to children and parents. So while regular dental visits/cleanings are important, at home oral hygiene is also vital. Finally, the dental hygienists and coordinator work together to provide exams, cleanings, sealants, fluoride varnish and x-rays. Thanks to the generosity of the Gila River Indian Community, the Chandler Children's Dental Clinic will provide access to a greater number of children who face economic, logistical and cultural barriers to oral care. There are also plans in place for a second clinic at the Gilbert Wellness and Resource Center in Gilbert, AZ. The Center is scheduled to begin services in early 2018 pending additional grant and foundation funding so be sure to spread the word and visit [www.supportdignityhealtheastvalley.org](http://www.supportdignityhealtheastvalley.org)

## Womens Philanthropic Society Annual Fundraiser - "It's in the Bag" - November 13



Join the women of the Power of the Purse for the annual  
"It's In the Bag Soiree"

at Dillard's at Chandler Fashion Center on Sunday,  
November 13th from 6:30-9pm

for an evening fun, fashion and opportunities to win prizes such as a designer handbag or a custom 1-carat morganite rose gold necklace generously donated by Christopher and Myranda Fine Diamonds. Proceeds will go towards the 2017 fundraising projects. Just announced, unique purse

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designer Patricia Nash has graciously agreed to appear to support the event and will sign autographs!

[RSVP today](#) or View Prizes and Purchase Drawing Tickets on-line!

## **Employee Giving Campaign Kicks-Off November 2nd!**



The 2016 Employee Giving Campaigns officially kick-off on November 2, 2017, at both Chandler Regional and Mercy Gilbert Medical Centers. There is a lasting impact from generous philanthropic giving by employees during the employee giving campaigns. Last year grants from the Foundation totalled more than \$2.4 million and supported continuing education or conferences, research, new buildings, and much-needed equipment that was not able to be purchased in the annual budget. A few examples of these grants are the new Tower at Chandler Regional Medical Center, EKG machines and fetal monitors, plus employee Schwartz Rounds and a charge nurse retreat.

With the help of employees and volunteers, the Foundation Team has developed a compelling case for support which will be shared at team meetings, huddles, daily newsletters, and in posters along the hallways. The stories will be highlighting how giving through the Foundation, directly to the medical centers, advances the Dignity Health Mission with new innovative programs, continuing education, vital equipment, and clinical research. Employees give of their time and talents to care for patients each day and this gift is extremely valuable. During this time of year, they are also asked to give a donation or their hard-earned PTO hours. Like all donors, 100% of an employee's charitable gift will be carefully invested directly back into hospital programs that positively impact our east valley community. Donating, or designating Paid Time Off (PTO) to the Foundation can be done through the internal Employee Self-Serve(ESS) site through the Total Reward Page or through the employee giving pledge cards distributed this month. If you are an employee and have questions or want a Foundation staff member to assist please do not hesitate to call 480.728.3931.

Thank you to all members of the Dignity Health team for providing the highest quality of care and humankindness to patients and families in the entire southeast valley.



**Wells Fargo Volunteer Award for Rhonda Curtis' Years of Service**

Rhonda Curtis is the recipient of a 2016 Wells Fargo Volunteer Service Award based on her volunteer service provided to our organization. The Wells Fargo Foundation provided Dignity Health Foundation East Valley with a \$10,000.00 grant through this program. Rhonda is a shining example of how extraordinary volunteers help local communities and nonprofit organizations to thrive. The Volunteer Service Award Program recognizes outstanding Wells Fargo outstanding team members whose service makes our communities better places to live and work. Being selected as an award recipient is a significant national honor. Congratulations Rhonda and your friends at Dignity Health are honored to receive both this gift and your service.



**Neurology Associates of the East Valley & Dignity Health Foundation East Valley**

The partnership with Dignity Health East Valley Foundation gives our team at the Neurology Associates an opportunity to make a positive difference in the lives of people with neuro challenges like stroke, Parkinson's, and multiple sclerosis outside of our medical offices. Through this partnership, we have enjoyed seeing how stroke patients become stronger and more confident through dance, and how therapy dogs provide comfort and support to families and patients during tough times. Together, we are impacting lives in our community one person at a time.

Neurology Associates is a full-service neurology practice accepting new patients and a broad variety of insurance plans at clinics in both Chandler and Casa Grande. They have three Board Certified Neurologists on staff offering all general neurological services to adults. And, also offer many on-site treatments and diagnostics, including BOTOX®, EEG, EMG and VENG. Neurology Associates is one of the Foundation's [Annual Corporate Healthcare Partners](#).

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