

# 2023 AREA OF GREATEST NEED IMPACT

Your gifts to the Roper St. Francis Foundation have touched the lives of countless community members. These stories of nursing, oncology, cardiology, and community health are just a few examples. If you donated to the Roper St. Francis Foundation's Area of Greatest Need fund in 2023, we want to thank you for your generous support. Your gifts play an integral role within Roper St. Francis Healthcare and our ability to continue our mission of healing all people with compassion, faith, and excellence.

## Your Impact

Your unrestricted donation helps Roper St. Francis Healthcare meet the immediate needs of our patients, teammates, and community.

We have designated over \$2M in unrestricted funds to the areas of innovative technology at Berkeley Hospital and a much-needed improvement in our Women's and Children's Services at Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital. Thanks to your generous support, we are investing in these two important initiatives:



## Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital Mother-Baby Unit Renovation, Phase 1

The 1st Floor Birthing Unit at Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital was completed in 2022. The newly updated Birthing Unit drew a stark contrast to the old and outdated Mother-Baby Unit recovery space on the 2nd floor.

The Mother-Baby Unit renovation will happen in three phases. Phase 1 includes DHEC plan reviewing, BAR filings, and construction design.

Phase 1 also includes relocating the current mother-baby unit to the 4th floor during construction. Your support is enabling us to move forward with Phase 1 which will ultimately lead to the new Mother-Baby Unit opening sooner.

## Radiation Oncology Vault at Berkeley Hospital

Roper St. Francis Oncology Department's new Radiation Oncology Vault at Berkeley Hospital will house a second Linear Accelerator (LINAC) for Berkeley County. LINACs work by speeding up electrons to deliver therapeutic treatments that can be designed in a way that they destroy the cancer cells while sparing nearby surrounding normal tissue. Due to the use of radiation, LINACs must be housed in a special vault.

The demand for treatment using LINAC has grown above what Berkeley Hospital's one machine can provide. The construction of a second LINAC vault will begin soon and will allow us to use federally appropriated funding to purchase the LINAC machine more quickly.

Ultimately, this will allow more cancer patients to receive life-saving treatment without having to travel outside of Berkeley County.



## Thank You

Your unrestricted giving has been instrumental in helping us provide the high-quality care that our patients have come to expect from our caring and dedicated staff. We cannot thank you enough for supporting our vision and mission to Roper St. Francis Healthcare during the 2023 fiscal year. On behalf of our physicians, staff, and especially our patients, we are most grateful.