

Gift of Health

Our Philanthropy Magazine



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Faces of our Healthcare Heroes:

**Hani Murad, MD, FACP, Medical Director,
Critical Care at Mercy Health Saint Mary's**

In this edition we highlight the brave and committed service of our medical teams as they fight COVID-19 and showcase the outpouring of thoughtful support from you, our family of supporters.

Gratitude from Dr. Hyung T. Kim

President, Mercy Health Saint Mary's



When moment by moment you are hearing of the evolving ways the COVID-19 pandemic is affecting our world, nation, state and community, we want you to know we are here for you. Your thoughtful generosity continues to help protect our front line and help care for patients in profound need. We are so grateful and in awe of the **heroes among us**.

As we are all in this together, I want to thank you for continuing to do your part by maintaining safe and healthy practices, for making contributions through Saint Mary's Foundation and for taking the many other actions both seen and unseen that are making a real difference. I am grateful beyond words to our colleagues for their dedication in this critical time, and to you, our family of supporters for your offers of assistance, words of support and prayers—thank you! Together we are making a difference, and together we will succeed.

Today, many of our medical practices are now open and many hospital and surgical services have resumed. Please know that it is safe for you to visit your family physician, an Urgent Care or an Emergency Department, if needed. Please don't hesitate to seek medical care when you need it.

I encourage you to stay connected. We will continue to host virtual town halls and keep you informed with the most current information on how we continue to fight this pandemic.

To receive email communications with future virtual town hall information, email Alica Woodrick at alica.woodrick@mercyhealth.com.

COVID-19 Response Fund & Colleague Emergency Assistance Fund

Saint Mary's Foundation established two funds to provide relief to Mercy Health Saint Mary's and our colleagues.

The COVID-19 Response Fund was created to impact the most immediate needs and benefit the care of our patients and community. To date, because of your generosity we have raised over \$475,369 to help meet ongoing needs as many resources are being directed to fight this virus.

The Colleague Emergency Assistance Fund was established in response to Mercy Health Saint Mary's colleagues' financial hardships during the COVID-19 pandemic. As of August 21, 2020: 55 colleague applications have been approved, awarding over \$68,171.

Quotes from recipients of the Colleague Emergency Assistance Fund:

- *“Thank you so much! This is wonderful news! I can't express the amount of gratitude I have for this assistance. It could bring me to tears, this is a profound gesture of kindness!”*
- *“Thank you, thank you so much! I am so happy to hear this! This is a big help to my family. I'm so blessed to work for a company that also helps their colleagues. Thank you again. God bless.”*
- *“I am very ecstatic to hear this news and so thankful to work for this company. Thank you again for all this wonderful help. It is so appreciated, and I can't say thank you enough.”*
- *“This is such EXCITING news!!! I can't even tell you what this means to me! I have had a lot of people praying for me to get good news. Please share with the people that helped make this decision, thank you very much for choosing me to be one of the recipients of this grant. You have made some peace in my life and again I can't thank you enough. I wish you many blessings and to stay safe during this time.”*

**You can
support our
healthcare heroes
by making a
donation to the
new funds:**

1

COVID-19 Response Fund

Your generosity will help meet Mercy Health's ongoing needs as many resources are now being directed to fight this virus. A gift to the COVID-19 Response Fund will impact the most immediate needs and benefit the care of our patients and our community.

2

Colleague Emergency Assistance Fund

The Colleague Emergency Assistance Fund was established in response to our colleagues' financial hardships during the COVID-19 pandemic. By supporting this fund, you will help provide essential, relief resources to our colleagues.



Healthcare Heroes

Mercy Health Saint Mary's and Cherry Health, in coordination with Kent County Health Department, tested all guests who were staying at the Mel Trotter Ministries in downtown Grand Rapids.

On Monday, April 20, 2020 Mercy Health Saint Mary's and Cherry Health began by testing the men and women who are at highest risk for COVID-19, with the goal of having results by Tuesday, April 21. In addition to the 110+ guests who came to the testing centers, the Saint Mary's staff visited Mel Trotter the next day to continue testing those who were not able to travel.

By getting all (Mel Trotter) guests tested for COVID-19, we can support safe housing and public health at Mel Trotter Ministries, which serves more than 400 guests per night at its facility in the Heartside neighborhood.

Mercy Health provided testing to guests at its Wege Parking Garage Test Center, and Cherry Health at its walk-up tent, each providing appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) to Mel Trotter onsite staff, along with healthy snacks and a safe waiting area for those being tested.

"This is a proactive strategy to reduce transmission in this at-risk community," said Liberty Jacques, DNP, RN, ACNS-BC, CIC, Director of Infection Prevention & Control and Professional Practice & Development, at Mercy Health Saint Mary's. "Offering this testing to one of our most vulnerable populations embodies Mercy Health's commitment to be a compassionate and transforming healing presence within our community."

"Partnering with Mercy Health and other community agencies to address the health needs of our most at-risk community members reduces disparities in healthcare access. We are pleased to partner and look forward to further narrowing the

Heroes Among Us

gap through these relationships,” said Kerrie Barney, Director of Nursing at Cherry Health.

Mel Trotter Ministries provided a list of guests needing testing, and then transported guests four at a time by van to the testing sites. The process was smooth, allowing a few people at a time to be tested and transported to and from the testing site.

As incentive to participate, Kent County Health Department supplied individuals who were tested with bus vouchers. McDonald’s also donated gift cards which Mercy Health Saint Mary’s staff distributed to all who were tested.

Guests waited at Mel Trotter until they received their results. “Between Monday and Tuesday we were able to test 251 individuals and 69 of those tested positive.” said Andrew Jameson, MD, Division Chief of Infectious Diseases at Mercy Health Physician Partners. Once results were back, housing was organized to separate those who have tested positive from those who tested negative.

“Individuals experiencing homelessness are some of the most vulnerable yet underserved people in our community,” said Dennis Van Kampen, President/CEO of Mel Trotter Ministries. “There is no way we could continue to provide all of the support that is required during this crisis on our own. The testing that Mercy Health Saint Mary’s and other local healthcare organizations is providing will help flatten the curve both within our mission and within the West Michigan community at large. We could not be more grateful for their generous assistance during this time.”

Mercy Health Saint Mary’s COVID-19 Testing Center Facts:

- Over **16,272** individuals have been tested
- More than **2,500** labor hours have been designated to testing

As of August 20, 2020

(left) Andrew Jameson, MD, FACP, AAHIVS Division Chief Infectious Diseases Regional Medical Director-Infection Control & Liberty Jacques, DNP, RN, ACNS-BC, CIC, Director of Infection Prevention & Control and Professional Practice & Development



Mercy Health Saint Mary’s COVID-19 testing



Mercy Health Saint Mary’s began offering drive-through COVID-19 testing on April 7, 2020.

May their courage give us courage

COMMUNITY HEROES

Community partnerships have never been more important than during this unprecedented time of COVID-19. As the impact of COVID-19 grew, so did a need for more personal protective equipment (PPE) and other resources. We are grateful for the community partners and our family of supporters that answered our call.

Because of supporters like you, during our COVID-19 response, we have



Received gifts from 250+ businesses and individuals



Purchased vital medical supplies and equipment through the COVID-19 Response Fund



Prepared two inpatient units for COVID-19 patients



Surprised colleagues with 9,800+ treats



Delivered 5,000+ meals for colleagues throughout Mercy Health Saint Mary's



Provided 191,000+ PPE items for frontline staff when supplies were scarce



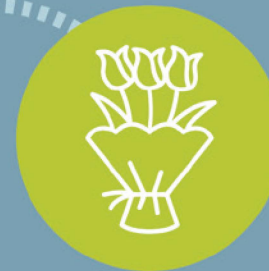
Received 9,500+ hand-sewn face masks



Assisted 55 colleagues in financial crises through the Colleague Emergency Assistance Fund



Protected thousands of hands with 171,000+ ounces of locally produced hand sanitizer



Brought countless smiles through special gifts and acts of kindness



“The outpouring of support for the Emergency Department staff and providers has been heartwarming, and very much appreciated during this difficult time. We cannot thank everyone enough for all the well wishes and contributions large and small”

– Alyssa Twyman, BSN, RN, Clinical Manager Emergency Department



To celebrate and honor our healthcare heroes, Special Occasions, LLC donated and tied 100 ribbons throughout the trees of our campus as a symbol of welcoming our heroes when they come to work.



Perrigo Company donated 15,000 hand sanitizers.



Community members handmade over 9,500 cloth face masks.



Girl Scout Troop 8165 surprised our colleagues with their famed Girl Scout Cookies.



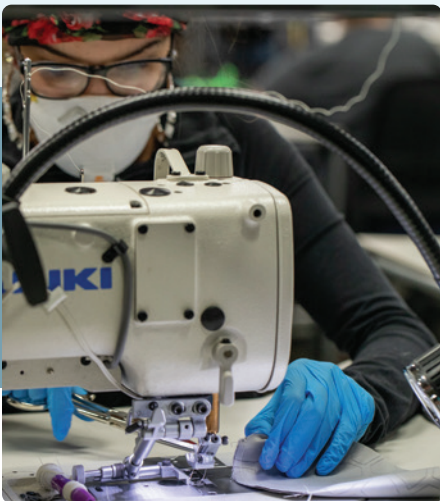
Handwritten notes of thanks and homemade cards brought encouragement to our colleagues.

Remarkable Support from Steelcase

With the help of our clinical staff, Steelcase was able to design and build several hundred facial masks and facial shields, and deliver them to Mercy Health.

"We were eager to design, create and make the necessary protective equipment for our local healthcare organizations. Our designers and our plant worked an entire weekend to quickly develop the prototypes for the facial masks and shields."

- Robert Heitmeier, Vice President at Steelcase



Innovative Students

The Red Storm Robotics team from Kentwood High School started using their 3D printer to create Ear Guards and Face Masks that they donated to Mercy Health Saint Mary's.





"We are proud to have donated fresh floral arrangements to Mercy Health patients and staff, as well as 2,000 fresh Bake Shoppe cookies as just a few ways to show our appreciation for their monumental efforts. By supporting those on the frontlines – as well as those throughout our local communities – we will prevail throughout this pandemic."

– Meredith Gremel,

SpartanNash Vice President, Corporate Affairs and Communications

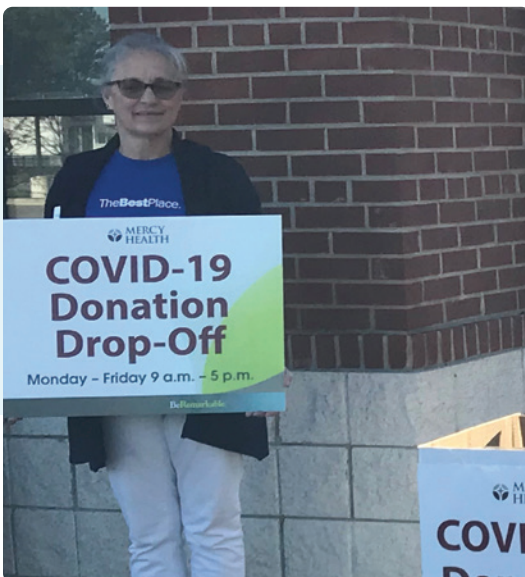


"It was truly our pleasure to prepare and deliver comfort food for healthcare workers to enjoy. We hope the boxed meals provided a bit of a treat amidst their long hours, days, and weeks of hard work."

– Allison Kubek, City Barbeque

"The support from the community made my team feel remembered and important."

– Adam James, Manager, Supply Chain



Mercy Health Partners with Lake Michigan Credit Union to Collect COVID-19 Donations

Mercy Health Saint Mary's collaborated with Lake Michigan Credit Union (LMCU) to set up COVID-19 donation drop-off locations at seven branches around West Michigan, with donation boxes provided by Two Men and A Truck.

Thank You

You Are a Hero

Your continued support helps us

- Keep our facilities prepared, should we experience a surge of COVID-19 patients
- Procure personal protective equipment (PPE), supplies and medical equipment to keep our colleagues and patients safe
- Support our colleagues in need of emergency financial assistance



COVID-19 Family of Supporters

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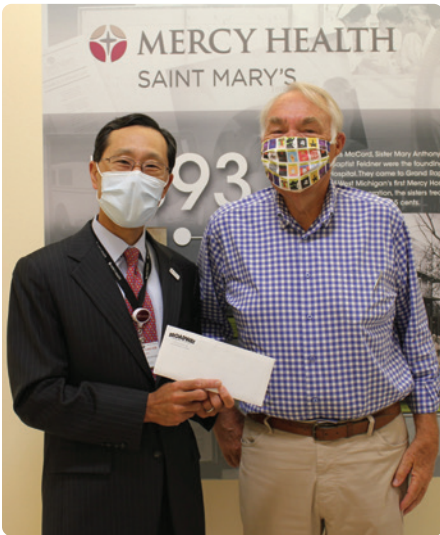
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 was inadvertently left out or misspelled.
 As of August 20, 2020*

Philanthropy Heroes

When the pandemic began individuals quickly answered our call to see how they could support our healthcare heroes. These pages highlight the power of our community and the work of our philanthropy heroes – we are so grateful for their remarkable support!



A Round of Applause for Broadway Grand Rapids

Mike Lloyd, Executive Director of Broadway Grand Rapids presented a check to our Mercy Health Saint Mary's President, Hyung T. Kim, MD, MBA, that will directly meet the needs of our COVID-19 Response Fund. Thanks to the generosity of Broadway Grand Rapids season ticket holders more than \$93,000 was raised to benefit frontline healthcare

Every Picture Tells a Story

Local Grand Rapids photographers, Mike and Tori Buck used their creativity to host a fundraiser benefitting the Mercy Health Saint Mary's COVID-19 Response Fund through their photography business M-Buck Studio. Mike and Tori, captured photos of Grand Rapids that shared the story of our community working together in this unprecedented time. They felt compelled to do more, which led them to selling their photography with proceeds directly benefitting our COVID-19 Response Fund. Mike and Tori used their passion for photography and our community to give back to our organization – truly remarkable!



Photo courtesy of M-Buck Studio

Band Together for Healthcare Heroes

In May, Lake Michigan Credit Union members and employees came together to raise funds through the Band Together Campaign to benefit Michigan and Florida hospital programs. This year, this fundraising effort raised \$10,000 for the Mercy Health Saint Mary's COVID-19 Response fund, which will make an impact on the most immediate needs and benefit the care of our patients and community.



Plan your own fundraiser!

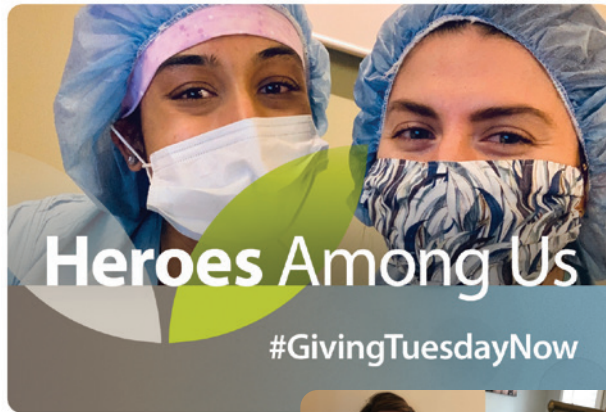
A third-party fundraiser is an event or activity that is entirely volunteer-driven and benefits Mercy Health Saint Mary's. There are many creative ways to give, contact Angela Paasche at angela.paasche@mercyhealth.com to plan your next fundraiser to help our community!



Supporting Heroes, One Dance at a Time

Grand Rapids entrepreneurs, Jeff Bennett and Michael Ranville, created a virtual community wide dance competition fundraiser called "The Groove", which created a space for laughter and movement during an unsettling time. Every dance submitted was a donation to the West Michigan Hero Fund. The virtual competition raised over \$250,000, which will be distributed to Mercy Health Saint Mary's, Cherry Health, Metro Health and Spectrum Health.

A New Global Day of Giving



In response to COVID-19, May 5, 2020 was earmarked as #GivingTuesdayNow: a new global day of giving. Your thoughtful generosity helped us raise \$35,945, which will make a direct impact on our COVID-19 efforts. A special thanks to our #GivingTuesdayNow Heroes, the Mercy Health Saint Mary's Medical Staff, for their generous match to the Colleague Emergency Assistance Fund.

Through these selfless acts of giving and heroism, you are helping Mercy Health provide life-saving care and lead response efforts.



Mercantile Bank was our first Corporate Partner to support #GivingTuesdayNow.



The first virtual Vine & Vinyl event was held on Monday, June 15, 2020 and benefitted the Mercy Health Kidney Transplant Center. The event brought music to life, and showcased the remarkable care our patients receive at Mercy Health Saint Mary's through story telling. Grateful patients, Judson Lynch and Natalie Frias, along with Dr. Joel Stracke shared their stories which highlighted the impact of the Mercy Health Kidney Transplant Center in their lives. The Mercy Health Kidney Transplant Center is one of the largest and most successful community hospital-based kidney transplant programs in the country. The specialists at Mercy Health Saint Mary's have performed 2,649 total transplants since the program began in 1973.

Virtual Storytelling



Stories shared by Natalie Frias, Dr. Joel Stracke and Judson Lynch

Gift Planning Made Easy

Have you ever wished you could help make a difference? It's easier than you think.

Gifts from a will or trust

Designating Mercy Health Saint Mary's as a beneficiary in your will or trust is a simple way to commit to our mission, and it will not affect cash flow during your lifetime.

Beneficiary designations

Naming Mercy Health Saint Mary's as the beneficiary of a retirement plan, financial account, or annuity is another easy way to help further our mission. You can continue to benefit from these assets during your lifetime.

Life insurance

You can donate a life insurance policy and take an immediate tax deduction. You can also name us as a beneficiary of your policy.

Appreciated securities, real property

If you own securities or real estate that you no longer need, instead of selling it, consider gifting it, without impacting your cash flow. You may also benefit from capital gains tax avoidance.

Tangible personal property

If you have valuable assets such as artwork, collectibles, jewelry, etc., that you no longer want or need, consider giving these assets - and benefiting from an income tax deduction this year.

Life estate

You can transfer your home (farm or vacation home) as a charitable gift while retaining the right to use the home during your lifetime and receiving an income tax deduction.

Business interests, closely held stock and partnerships

Talk to us about ways to make current gifts from your business or to avoid capital gains tax when you are ready to transfer or sell your business.



Learn more about how you can leave a legacy and support our mission while still preserving your income. Contact Kelli Smith at (616) 685-1484 or smikella@mercyhealth.com.

Leaders, Teachers, Healers



Tell us a little about yourself:

I was born in Ghana, West Africa and migrated to the United States to join my husband in 1999. At the time, my husband was on an H1B visa so I couldn't work. As a stay-at-home mom, I spent my time preparing for the LSAT because I wanted to be a lawyer. Eventually, my husband and I got our green card qualifying me to look for employment. After several interviews, I landed a job at Bank One as a teller. Although I had an undergraduate degree in English from Ghana, I was teased by my colleagues and sometimes humiliated by customers because of my accent. That didn't deter me; I persevered. After my first child was born, I gave up my dream of becoming a lawyer and enrolled in Nursing school. As an immigrant, those were the hardest three years of my life. I took care of the baby during the day and attended school in the evening. Looking back, we had no family, no help but just made it work. During my second year in Nursing school, I got a job at Mercy Health Saint Mary's as a Patient Care Assistant (PCA). That's the beginning of whom I am today.

Why did you choose to go into health care?

Although law was my dream profession, I had to rethink that soon after my first child was born. After analyzing my options carefully, an accelerated nursing school program became my best option. I chose nursing because of the job prospect but I fell in love once I started working as a PCA at Mercy Health Saint Mary's. The adrenalin of trying to save a life was outweighed by the gratification of team work and "Thank You" from patients and their family.

Why do you choose to stay at Mercy Health Saint Mary's?

I'm a staunch Catholic. Mercy Health Saint Mary's humanizes that Catholic teaching. In the ER, we care for everyone who walks in regardless of race, ethnicity or wealth. We don't turn

Yvonne Denoo, RN

Clinical Services Manager

anyone away. It's that care for humanity that sets Mercy Health apart and that's one of the main reasons I love this organization.

What is your proudest moment in your health care career?

Over the past fourteen years, I have worked in the emergency department as a nurse caring for countless patients who are in their most weak and vulnerable states. My dear mother suddenly became ill in early 2019 and what made the situation even more difficult is that I live in Michigan while my mother lives in my homeland of Ghana. Throughout her illness, I was thankful for technology as I was able to easily communicate with my brothers through the phone calls and video calls to help care for my mother.

Unfortunately, my mother's health was not improving, and it became clear to me that all of my years as a nurse caring for others was preparing me for my most challenging assignment yet. In March of this past year, I was able to spend a couple weeks caring for her and making memories which have proven to be invaluable. Unfortunately, my mother passed away two months after I returned to Michigan. Out of all the patients I have

ever had the privilege to care for, caring for my mother during her most vulnerable state was by far the most challenging and rewarding I have ever experienced. I feel truly blessed to be able to provide comfort and peace to my mother who has always loved me so much.

What do you enjoy doing outside of work for fun?

Outside of work, it is all about my family; that includes my immediate family, my extended family in other parts of the world and close friends that I consider part of my family. I'm blessed with a husband of 19 years, an 18-year-old daughter and 13-year-old son; they're my pride and my joy. I love cooking traditional Ghanaian foods and sharing with my American friends. I also love to travel and see new places.

What motivates you during these challenging times in health care?

Nursing is a challenging job and it's during challenging times that our patients need us most. This is very evident during COVID-19. The desire to do my very small part in taking care of patients, the gratification from their families but more so, seeing the joy that people feel is very humbling. There's no better motivation.



Yvonne with husband Bright and children Delasi and Edem.



Yvonne with mother Ernestina.



nana's run


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HOPE RUNS DEEP. Nana's Run, a special 5k race, went virtual this year. The virtual run allowed individuals to log their 5k in honor of a specific patient or the entire Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) population. Raising more than \$220,000 this year, Nana's Run has raised over \$2 million over the last seven years to support the efforts of ALS.

The ALS Association Michigan Chapter and Mercy Health Hauenstein Neurosciences, in partnership with the Daniel and Pamella DeVos Foundation, presented the seventh year of Nana's Run, which is the creation of the event chairpersons, Cassandra DeVos and Sydney DeVos Reames. The race is a tribute to their beloved maternal grandmother Char VanderLaan, affectionately called Nana, who passed away on March 7, 2014 after battling ALS. Since Nana VanderLaan was diagnosed with ALS in October 2013, the DeVos granddaughters have made a commitment to raise awareness about the disease and to raise funds that will support patient and physician education, ALS patients and their families, and ongoing research within Michigan.

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Huge THANK YOU to everyone who joined us for the 7th Annual Nana's Run!



It's because of you that we have raised over \$2 million to help patients and their families who suffer from ALS ❤️

CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU ALL NEXT YEAR!

@NANASRUN5K @SYDNEYDV



Triangle Associates Inc Team Photo



Mercy Health Saint Mary's Senior Leadership Team Photo

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In Memoriam

Saint Mary's Foundation is honored to celebrate the life and legacy of Deb Bailey, who passed away on April 27, 2020. Deb made a positive, lasting impact on the Grand Rapids community in so many ways; her work with Mercy Health Saint Mary's being just one example.

Her involvement with Mercy Health Saint Mary's began years ago as a cancer patient, and it was her experiences as a patient that sparked her passion for health care and desire to become more engaged as a board member of Saint Mary's Foundation and one of the founding members of Grand Girlfriends™. In 2011, Deb joined the Saint Mary's Foundation Board, which she ultimately led as the first female board chair. Even after her final term ended, she remained highly engaged and most recently made sure that the team had protective masks made by her sister, Denise Thorne. "There is no doubt that Deb's lasting legacy to Saint Mary's will be felt for many years to come," Michelle Rabideau, President of Saint Mary's Foundation said. We are ever grateful for the legacy that Deb Bailey has left to our organization and to our community. We are all better because of her influence!



Saint Mary's Foundation is dedicated to building relationships that inspire financial support from the community to advance the mission of Mercy Health Saint Mary's.

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Fast Facts

- Mercy Health Saint Mary's awarded a \$70,000 grant to the Hispanic Center of West Michigan and the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan to provide culturally appropriate nutrition and healthy lifestyle education to the Hispanic community.
- Neurosurgeon Jürgen Lüders, MD, performed his 500th SI Joint Fusion Surgery making him the second most active surgeon in the country for this procedure.
- Mercy Health Saint Mary's received an 'A' grade in the spring report card from Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades. Amid its response to COVID-19, Mercy Health Saint Mary's was awarded an "A" for its commitment to keeping patients safe and meeting the highest safety standards in the United States.
- Mercy Health Saint Mary's has been named to Newsweek's 2020 list of Best Maternity Care Hospitals. This distinction recognizes facilities across the nation that have excelled in providing care to mothers, newborns and their families, as verified by the 2019 The Leapfrog Group's Hospital Survey.
- 8 Main at Mercy Health Saint Mary's earned a Gold Award for the Beacon Award for Excellence. This award recognizes exceptional care through improved outcomes and greater overall patient satisfaction.
- Six local organizations are coming together to provide free medical services to increase access to care for individuals experiencing homelessness in the greater Grand Rapids area. Grand Valley State University's Kirkhof College of Nursing, Mercy Health Saint Mary's, Metro Health – University of Michigan, Michigan State University – College of Human Medicine, Spectrum Health, and Mel Trotter Ministries have aligned to open a free clinic onsite at Mel Trotter Ministries' downtown location.