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2024 Reflections

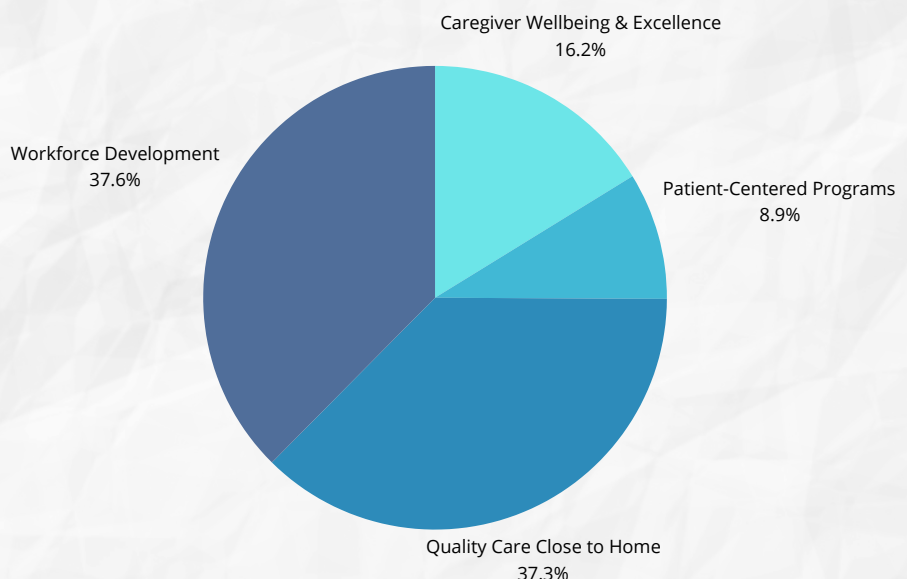
Your Gifts Advancing the Healthcare We All Depend On

Because of you, thousands of lives were touched this past year with compassion, hope, and healing. Foundation distributions brought vital care to patients and their families when they needed it most – reminding us all of the power of community and generosity.

Your gifts were thoughtfully directed to programs that develop our workforce, inspire compassion through patient-centered programs, and ensures that our family, friends, and neighbors have access to high-quality care close to home.

The patient's whose lives you've touched may never know your name, but in their most vulnerable moments, your support brought comfort, strength, and healing. Thank you for being a lifeline for our community. Your impact is felt in every grateful heartbeat.

\$590K Invested in Programs and Services in 2024



2024 MISSION MOMENTS

Confluence Health Foundation staff and trustees reflected on the moments that connected them to our mission.



"Celebrating Foundation scholarship recipients!"

- **Dr. Makrina Shanbour, Trustee**



"It is so inspiring to read the scholarship applications and to see the dedication, determination and perseverance of them all!"

- **Carin Smith, DVM, Trustee**



"My memory is the day we recognized the legacy gift from the Hershel & Bette Sparks estate at Kenzie's Landing. It was a fantastic summer day and reflected on the very generous year of community support!"

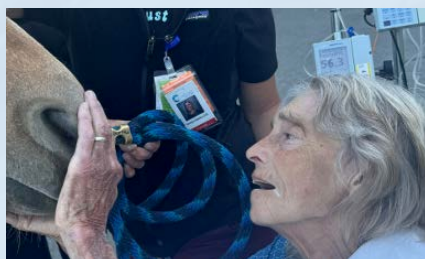


- **John Stoll, Trustee**



"Hearing about the patient whose final wish to pet a horse was granted by her care team."

- **Karen McCart, Foundation Staff**



"When the daughter of an adaptive cycling participant said, 'You're changing lives out here!' as she watched her dad ride a bike for the first time since a serious injury!"

- **Megan Parish, Foundation Staff**



"Meeting Dr. Chris Stahler. Dr. Stahler has a clear passion for healthcare in the valley and a desire to help improve services and patient care, which can be seen through his generosity."

- **Steve Neher, Trustee**

Shirley McArthur: A Legacy of Generosity and Lasting Impact



Shirley McArthur's life was marked by an extraordinary act of generosity that will have a lasting impact on North Central Washington. Her significant legacy gifts totaling \$16 million to non-profits throughout the region have provided a launchpad for growth and fuel for continued success for the recipients of her amazing gift. The Confluence Health Foundation received \$3.7 million from Shirley, who understood the critical role a strong local healthcare system has on the vibrancy and vitality of our region.

Raised in Wenatchee, Shirley showed her commitment to her community throughout her life.

She graduated from Wenatchee High School and later worked for the Wenoka Fruit Association and the Standard Company, where she met her husband, J.K. McArthur. Her interests ranged from synchronized swimming with the Dolphinettes in the 1960s to golfing, playing bridge, and traveling extensively. Always the gracious host, Shirley loved entertaining family and friends, creating joyful memories alongside her professional and philanthropic achievements.

Shirley's legacy gifts are more than just financial contributions; they are enduring symbols of her values and dedication to future generations. Her foresight and strategic financial planning ensured that her gifts to the community would have a maximum impact, fostering a thriving, healthy, and vibrant North Central Washington.

What's Your Legacy?

The Dual Benefits of Charitable Estate Gifts

Like Shirley, you can leave a legacy in your community through an estate gift while realizing significant estate tax benefits. Make a lasting difference in North Central Washington while providing for your loved ones.

Find out how to create your legacy, today! Call Suzanne at (509) 436-6275 or email her at suzanne.cartecocroft@confluencehealth.org.



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Dear Friends,

Every year, we use the spring newsletter as an opportunity to stop, reflect, and take stock of what we have accomplished together. Though it's not unusual for us to be humbled, 2024 can be summarized in one word—WOW! We are filled with gratitude for your unwavering belief in our work to advance local healthcare. Donors like you have made 2024 one of the most productive and successful years in the Foundation's 45-year history.

At some point in our lives, each of us will confront the undeniable reality of needing healthcare. We may not predict the circumstances that will lead us there, but we all understand that the quality and level of care we receive during those critical moments can change everything. It can alter the trajectory of our lives and profoundly affect the well-being of our loved ones.

As a donor YOU have a direct impact on the care you and your family will receive because 100% of your gifts are used to fund critical workforce development and retention efforts, patient-centered programs, and technology and capital projects that ensure access to high-quality healthcare close to home for our region.

In the year ahead, we will continue to work diligently to advance healthcare in our region. With your help, we will be able to look back on 2025 with amazement too, because your loyal support is all that we need to continue doing incredible things.

Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication.



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