

Mid-Year Impact Report



Supporting the Heart of Our Hospital

Your generosity allows nurses at University Hospital to advance their education, participate in wellness programs, and celebrate their collective impact.

This May, during Nurses Month, University Hospital Foundation hosted featured speaker Charlene Johnson, MSN, RN—a longtime nurse and advocate for caregiver wellbeing.

Charlene spoke about the challenges and rewards of nursing, offering insight and encouragement drawn from her own experience. Her thoughtful remarks created space for reflection and connection before a reception honoring the people at the heart of UH. **It's because of you our nurses feel valued, supported, and seen. And that feeling carries through every patient they care for.**

Building Pathways to Opportunity

Thanks to your support, University Hospital is opening doors for Newark students to explore careers in healthcare.

Now in its second year, the High School Enrichment Program offers a paid, three-year internship that introduces local high school students to the wide range of roles within a hospital. Through hands-on experience, mentorship, life-skills training, and workforce readiness coaching, participants gain the skills and confidence needed to pursue healthcare careers after graduation.



Michelle, a rising junior, was placed in our Materials Management Department with no prior experience. Through the program's guidance and hands-on learning, she has honed her strong work ethic, professionalism, and eagerness to learn. Today, Michelle has shown remarkable growth and is a trusted team member and role model for new employees, and a powerful example of the program's impact. **Because of you, students like Michelle are discovering new possibilities and University Hospital is nurturing a more diverse, skilled healthcare workforce for tomorrow.**

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Iris La Luz
Cancer Center Patient

Standing with Survivors

With your investments, University Hospital Foundation is proud to provide year-round support to cancer patients and survivors receiving care at University Hospital.

In June, we marked Cancer Survivors Week with a Survivorship Celebration featuring mindfulness and painting workshops.

Because of you, survivors feel seen, celebrated, and supported, and that encouragement carries with them through every step of their healing journey.

"It didn't matter who I met, [the staff] were all consistently invested with their time, their eye contact, and their disposition to just stop what they were doing and say 'How can I help you'...they're really invaluable." - Iris La Luz



Thank You!

Thank you for exploring the incredible impact your support has made already this year. Your generosity drives meaningful change, and as we look ahead, we remain committed to strengthening our healthcare community and expanding opportunities. None of this would be possible without you.

Thank you for standing with us!