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Impact of Donations in the Emergency Department

Investment from donors and corporate sponsors in Stanford Health Care – ValleyCare’s Emergency Department (ED) helped fund state-of-the-art equipment as well as the recent ED refresh project, greatly improving our ability to meet the healthcare needs of our community. Dr. Edward Kan says, "The Physicians...are extremely grateful for the generosity shown by individuals and institutions who have donated to...directly benefit the Emergency Department. We have benefited in so many ways and are very grateful." See the rest of Dr. Kan’s quote and learn more about the impact of philanthropy [here](#).



Our Hospital Was Awarded Five-Star Rating by Hospital Compare

Earlier this month, Stanford Health Care – ValleyCare received a five-star rating from Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services’ Hospital Compare, performing above the national average among 4,000 Medicare-certified hospitals in the safety of care, readmission, and patient experience measurements. Read the full article in *The Independent* [here](#).



February is Heart Health Month

About 6 million people in the United States have heart failure. Stanford Cardiologist Jeffrey Teuteberg was on CBSN Bay Area and explained that heart failure doesn’t mean that your heart has completely stopped functioning. Watch his interview [here](#).



Heart Program at Stanford Health Care – ValleyCare

Did you know that the American Heart Association recommends that heart attack prevention begin by age 20? Stanford Health Care – ValleyCare offers a heart program that includes community outreach, noninvasive diagnostic testing, interventional cardiology, cardiac rehabilitation, and open-heart and vascular surgery for treatment of coronary artery and valve disease. Learn more about the heart program or find a cardiologist [here](#).



Join Our "Bras for the Cause" Cancer Walk Team

We are honored that Stanford Health Care – ValleyCare’s breast cancer program was once again chosen as a beneficiary of Tri-Valley SOCKs Bras for the Cause Walk. They have announced that the 2020 walk will be their last Bras Walk. Their "Aloha"-themed walk will be on April 18, 2020. VCCF will have a team walking 8K (~5 miles) in Pleasanton. Team members need to commit to raising a minimum of \$200 in order to participate and must pay a registration fee. Register to be on VCCF’s team [here](#). We hope you can join us!

(Pictured from left to right: 2019 VCCF walkers Pam Kirley, Gayle Cowan, Rachael Kirstina, Dr. Kavitha Raj, Carrie Griffiths, Denise Estrada, and Shaké Sulikyan)



Donate Today to Foster Health, Build Community, and Save Lives

Did you know that donations to VCCF help fund pioneering programs, technology, and services that meet the healthcare needs of our rapidly growing and changing community? Investments from donors like you have funded state-of-the-art equipment and technology, innovative medical programs and services, and world-class medical care, right here in the Tri-Valley. Donations of any size are welcomed.

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Stanford Health Care - ValleyCare

Your ValleyCare Charitable Foundation (VCCF) team has one mission: to help provide Stanford Health Care – ValleyCare with the resources it needs to offer the Tri-Valley exceptional, patient-centered community medicine, coupled with specialized Stanford Medicine programs to deliver a full continuum of care. This eNewsletter is a monthly email newsletter distributed to friends of ValleyCare Charitable Foundation. If you have questions about the content in the newsletter, please contact the [VCCF Team](#).

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