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2014 Year in Review

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## *The Leavey Trauma Center Celebrates 10 Years of Saving Lives*

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# A Message from Our Chair

As you walk around our hospital campus, you will begin to see kindness shine at California Hospital. A heartfelt smile, a cheerful “good morning,” or offering help with directions are just some of things you might experience during your visit. To us, excellent care doesn’t just depend on providing high-quality medical treatment, but on our ability to make our patients feel like welcomed guests. We call this the *Hello humankindness* movement and at California Hospital, it reaches beyond our walls and into our nearby communities.

For over 128 years, California Hospital has been dedicated to giving our patients

the care they expect and *deserve*. As downtown Los Angeles continues to experience an economic renaissance, we are eager to build awareness among our new neighbors. We are embracing this change at our hospital and looking forward to meeting new friends.

However, we wouldn’t be where we are today without the generous support of our past sponsors and donors. We are gratefully humbled by your support.

We invite you to witness the *Hello humankindness* movement for yourself! There are many ways to get involved. Join us for a tour of the hospital, become a volunteer, make a financial contribution,

attend one of our signature events—no matter what form of involvement you choose, we look forward to getting to know you better.

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# Annual Giving Society — A New Way to Give

California Hospital is making a difference every day in the heart of Los Angeles, whether it’s bringing a new life into the world, saving a life in our Emergency Department, or teaching people how to manage their diabetes and stay out of the hospital. The Foundation’s new **Annual Giving Society** is a network of friends who provide essential support for these and other hospital programs through their annual gifts.

Society members demonstrate their extraordinary commitment to our mission by contributing \$500 or more annually, and in exchange, receive special recognition and access to exclusive opportunities. To learn more about joining this group as a charter member, please call **Susan Shum** in the Foundation office at 213-742-5662.



— **RJ Noonan**  
Senior Vice President  
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*“Since so much of my life is centered in downtown L.A., I truly appreciate how California Hospital takes care of this community. I’m proud to be a Charter Member of the new Annual Giving Society, because I’ve seen first-hand how donor support directly funds capital improvements and services that bring hope and healing to so many lives.”*

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Annual Giving Society President’s Reception**

**10/15/15**



**Scott A. Beasley, M.D.**

Dr. Scott Beasley is the Medical Director of Neonatology and a Member of the Executive Medical Board at California Hospital Medical Center. He is also President and Medical Director of the California Neonatology Services Medical Group in Los Angeles. Dr. Beasley received his B.A. from Columbia University and his M.D. from Yale University School of Medicine. A leader in his field, Dr. Beasley currently serves on the board of the California Neonatology Association.



**Michael J. Gillmore**

Michael Gillmore is a partner at Ernst & Young LLP with 36 years of public accounting experience. As leader of the firm’s Real Estate, Hospitality and Construction Practice for the West Region, he has served many of the West Region’s largest global clients. Mr. Gillmore also serves on the Advisory Board at the Lusk Center for Real Estate at the University of Southern California, and has served on the boards of the Mardan School and Orangewood Children’s Foundation. He has a passion for helping the disenfranchised and has been a long-time supporter of CHMC.

# Foundation Welcomes New Board Members



**Jeffrey R. Germain**

Jeffrey Germain is a Senior Financial Advisor with Wells Fargo Advisors. A graduate of the University of Southern California with a B.S. in Marketing Management and a certified investment management consultant (CIMC), Mr. Germain has worked as a financial advisor for 23 years. He has been extensively involved with a number of philanthropic organizations, including the American Jewish University, the United States Memorial Holocaust Museum and the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Los Angeles.



**Rod Pacheco**

Rod Pacheco is Chairman of the White Collar/Internal Investigations Practice Group for Theodora and Oringher PC, a premier litigation firm. An active civic and community leader, Mr. Pacheco has served as the elected District Attorney of Riverside County, a California State Assemblyman representing Riverside County, and currently serves on the board of the Barbara Sinatra Children’s Center located at Eisenhower Hospital in Rancho Mirage.

## Trauma Center Celebrates 10 Years of Saving Lives

FROM PAGE 1

In an era when hospital emergency departments and trauma centers were closing throughout Los Angeles County, California Hospital made the bold decision to build a trauma center program from the ground up.

California Hospital Medical Center marked the 10th anniversary of its Trauma Center program with a celebration on December 3rd attended by former trauma patients, physicians, staff, board members and former administrators.

Since opening in 2004, California Hospital has emerged as the busiest private trauma center in Los Angeles County and has cared for more than 22,000 patients, saving thousands of lives in the process.

Ten years later, we are still leading the way in incredible outcomes and compassionate care.



Clockwise from top: Tanya Ybarra, Child Life Specialist, Grateful Patient Sandra Palacios and Vicky Galos, Trauma Case Manager; Laura Schneider, RN, BSN, Trauma Program Director, and Michelle Baker, RN, Trauma Program Nurse Coordinator; Board Member Jeanne Raya among the crowd

## Subacute Services Now Available at California Hospital Medical Center

*Complex Needs—Exceptional Care*



California Hospital's new Adult Subacute Unit opened in 2014 to care for adults with long-term, clinically complex conditions such as multiple trauma, degenerative diseases including muscular dystrophy and Parkinson's disease, and ventilator dependency. Our hospital-based 19-bed unit—the only one of its kind in the Los Angeles area—has distinct advantages, including 24/7 availability of Emergency Services and access to specialists in all fields. Residents and their families benefit from customized clinical and support services carefully planned to maximize quality of life.



*"Right from the start, the CHMC family was so welcoming of me—I knew that I wanted to make this hospital my home. The practice of medicine is how I serve my community—and California Hospital provides the type of supportive environment that allows me to maximize all of my training and experience to help patients manage their disease and maintain the highest possible quality of life."*

—Vincent L. Anthony, M.D., MPH, CPE, CHCQM, Medical Director, Subacute Care Unit

# Modern medicine is more effective when it's delivered with a dose of kindness.

Dignity Health is an organization full of kind, loving people who've dedicated their lives to helping others. Hello humankindness is a promise that is demonstrated by empathy, listening, selflessness, and thoughtfulness and is part of creating an exceptional patient experience. We believe that humanity holds the power to heal. We invite you to join us in our mission to create, discover, and celebrate the good in each of us. Maybe we can make this world a little healthier and happier together.

Hello humankindness



## Hello humankindness in Action — Something to Smile About



Radiology technician **Mario Galvez** keeps a small notebook tucked in his pocket. As Mario meets patients from different backgrounds, he learns and writes down common words in their languages — all in an effort to better communicate when treating his patients.

[www.hellohumankindness.org](http://www.hellohumankindness.org)



## 2015 Dates to Remember

**Golf Classic**  
Thursday, May 7

**South Park Speaker's Series**  
Tuesday, May 19

**Annual Giving Society Reception**  
Thursday, October 15

**La Grande Affaire**  
Thursday, November 19

# La Grande Affaire Raises Over \$425,000



California Hospital Medical Center Foundation would like to thank our generous sponsors for making this year's La Grande Affaire the most successful gala to date with over \$425,000 raised!

Proceeds will go towards the acquisition of a new 160-slice CT scanner and the renovation of the hospital's 9th floor telemetry unit.



Left: Event Chair Patricia A. Lott; Right: Los Angeles City Attorney Mike Feuer shared a few words about the compassionate care he received as a patient at California Hospital.

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## "California Hospital is one of my favorite places to play." Volunteering at CHMC

Al Valmadrid, a neuroscience major at USC, knew that healthcare was a career path he was exploring but volunteering at California Hospital opened his eyes in a way he never could imagine.

Al is President of the organization *Remedy Through Music*, a group of performers who travel to different hospitals and convalescent centers in underserved areas, and volunteer their talents as they perform to promote healing.

"California Hospital is one of my favorite places to play," says Al, "I've had some profound experiences here." Because he plays the violin, a portable instrument, he is able to make a bigger impact on patients and staff by moving from floor to floor during his visits. He can visibly see wrought expressions and tension from faces gradually relax as the music creates a calming impact on the individual.

There is one experience in particular that happened while performing at California Hospital that made a lasting impression on Al.

"In the elevator, my violin duet partner and I received a request to perform for a family who had just experienced a death. I was completely shocked. Laughter and joy from patients, family, or staff usually accompany our song requests. In chilling contrast, listening to this request grounded me in the reality of a hospital's existence. People die despite treatments and cures.

I didn't know what to feel when we entered the room. A deceased patient lay on the bed just a few feet away from us. 'Lo siento' was all I could muster as

we lifted our violins. We then performed our signature violin duet, 'Comrade Concerto,' for the family. Waves of respect and awe flowed back and forth in me, each bow stroke responding to the tone of the room. The piece, normally upbeat, took on a different shade of optimism and gentle hope for the future.

When we finished the last note, silence became the music. A quiet 'gracias' reached my ears."

Al is pleased he can comfort others with his presence and music. Now in his senior year at USC, he's applying to medical school and his applications feature essays about his experiences here at our hospital. "Volunteering at California Hospital helped me see the *compassion* in healthcare and I'm serving a bigger picture other than burying myself in books."

"I'm extremely grateful to the team at California Hospital for giving me back my leg and my life."



Officer Nelson Fong

### Grateful Patient Spotlight

Los Angeles Police Department SWAT Team Officer Nelson Fong was shot in the line of duty and was rushed to the California Hospital Trauma Center where the medical team was able to save his critically injured leg.



Top: Remedy Through Music, the group that volunteers their musical talents in hospitals and convalescent centers. Bottom: Al Valmadrid performing in the hospital.

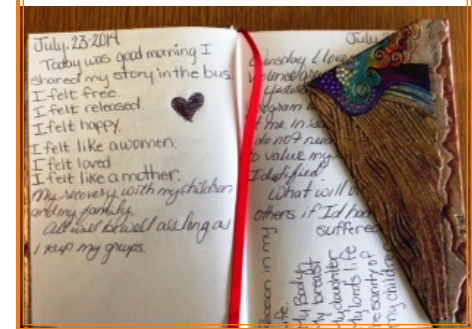
# 2014 Grants Update

In calendar year 2014, California Hospital Medical Center was awarded \$6,030,472 in grant funds for its inpatient and community benefit programs, some of which are highlighted below.

**CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**  
\$750,000  
CHMC and three local clinics will pilot a system of coordinated care to reduce inpatient admissions among patients with diabetes, hypertension and/or congestive heart failure.

**CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF STATEWIDE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**  
\$149,928

**EBELL REST COTTAGE ASSOCIATION**  
\$10,000  
Funds will be used to purchase journals and therapeutic art supplies for the domestic violence support group offered by the Pico-Union Family Preservation Program.



**CARL AND ROBERTA DEUTSCH FOUNDATION**  
\$85,000

**FUTERNICK FAMILY FOUNDATION**  
\$15,000

**GOOD HOPE MEDICAL FOUNDATION**  
\$50,000

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES**  
\$23,171

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**  
\$53,832

**MARCH OF DIMES FOUNDATION**  
\$38,644

**METLIFE FOUNDATION**  
\$10,000  
CHMC's Hope Street Family Center was one of only five programs throughout the country recognized by the MetLife Foundation with the Afterschool Innovator Award. A HSFC after-school participant and two staff traveled to Washington DC to accept the award and visited Capitol Hill.

**MOORE-WHITE MEDICAL FOUNDATION**  
\$15,000

**ROTARY CLUBS OF LOS ANGELES AND BEVERLY HILLS**  
\$7,500

**SUSAN G. KOMEN FOUNDATION**  
\$40,000  
Awarded to the Los Angeles Center for Women's Health to provide diagnostic mammography, ultrasound and biopsy services to 100 women under 40 years old who are ineligible for these services through public health insurance programs.

**THE ATLAS FAMILY FOUNDATION**  
\$75,000

**UNIHEALTH FOUNDATION**  
\$375,000

**UNIHEALTH FOUNDATION**  
\$543,341

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**  
\$3,724,056

**WALTER J. AND HOLLY O. THOMSON FOUNDATION**  
\$25,000

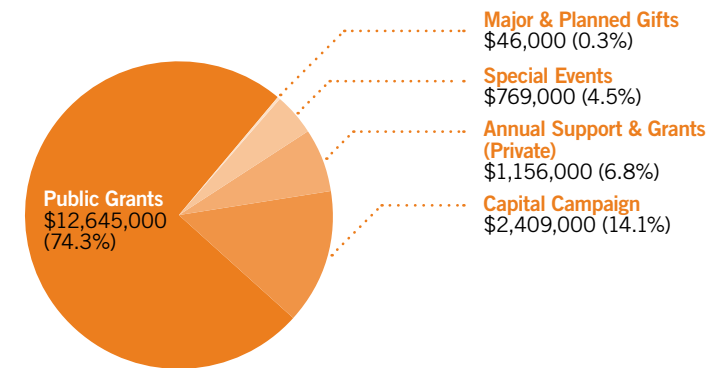
**WILL ROGERS INSTITUTE**  
\$40,000

## The Use of Charitable Gifts

Total fundraising expenses, including salaries, were \$1,844,202 for a cost of funds raised ratio of **10.83%**.

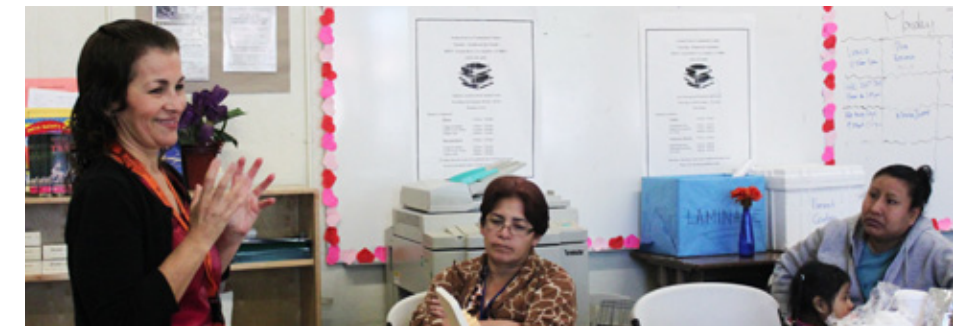
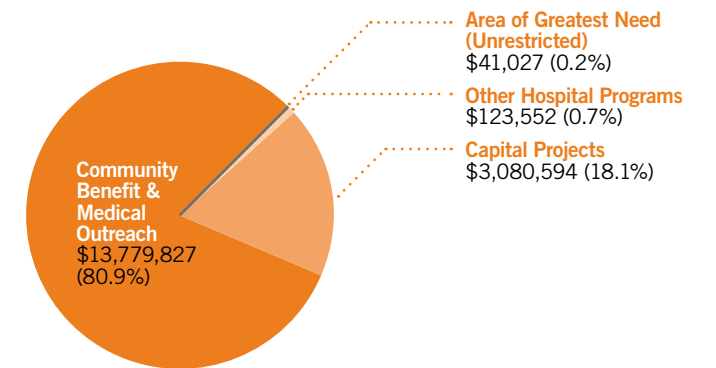
### Where does the money come from?

Last year, the CHMC Foundation raised over \$17 million to benefit CHMC and its activities. This was due to the following generous sources:



### Where does the money go?

The \$17,025,000 which the California Hospital Medical Center Foundation raised supported the hospital's programmatic and capital needs.



Left: 49th Street Elementary School Session Community Health Educator Irma Radillo, teaches practical tips for heart health, including achieving a healthy weight, heart-healthy meals, food label reading, eating out, and managing stress. Below: Parish Nurse Edward "Tony" Ornelas, RN with a patient.



## Community Benefit Programs Reach Beyond Hospital Walls to Improve Health and Help People Stay out of the Hospital

Our Community Benefit programs bring information and services to convenient locations throughout Los Angeles. The Community Benefit department's **parish nurse** performs health screenings at churches, community centers, schools, and gathering places throughout the year. The screenings are geared toward community members who may be uninsured or underinsured and to those who are not having regular visits with a medical provider.

In 2014 alone, there were 126 health screening events with 5,496 individual health screenings conducted. That same year, 1,852 referrals were made to local low-cost or free clinics for services including primary care, dentistry, mental health, women's health, heart health, diabetes, and drug and alcohol recovery support groups.

The **Heart H.E.L.P. (Healthy Eating Living Program)** is designed to help participants make healthy choices and reduce the risk for heart disease by

increasing their knowledge of risk factors for cardiovascular disease. In addition, the Heart H.E.L.P. aims to educate those who have had a heart attack or a stroke, or who have angina or heart failure.

More than 1,800 participants have benefitted from the program in the past four years. Participants who attend the program and return to a follow-up meeting usually lose weight, lower their cholesterol and blood pressure numbers, and have success keeping their sugar levels under control.



Judge Glenda Hatchet, Donovan Hernandez, Gina Avila, Afterschool Alliance Executive Director Jodi Grant, and Sid Oxford  
Photo Credit: Herman Farrer

## Hope Street Family Center Receives National Award

At the **Afterschool Alliance Conference** in Washington DC, middle schooler **Donovan Hernandez** and Education Coordinators **Gina Avila** and **Sid Oxford** accepted the 2014 MetLife Foundation After-School Innovator Award on behalf of the Hope Street Family Center. "Hope Street Family Center provides hope for

everyone," Donovan stated at the Capitol Hill awards breakfast in May 2014, as he described the life-changing impact that Hope Street programs have had on him. The conference and award bring national recognition to California Hospital Medical Center for Hope Street's educational services for middle school students.

# Your Plan. Your Legacy.



According to a recent survey, over half of Americans don't have any of the basic estate planning documents needed to protect their assets. There's no time like the present to take charge of your future. If you do not have a will or a living trust, take the important first step of having one completed by a competent attorney as soon as possible. If you already have one, read through it and make sure that it still accurately reflects your situation and wishes.

An important choice you can make while creating or updating your estate plan is giving to charity. When you meet with your advisor, consider including a percentage—even one or two percent—

for California Hospital Medical Center. You already know that over the past 128 years, the hospital has been a beacon of hope and innovation in caring for Los Angeles. You can help continue that tradition of caring into the future by naming us as a beneficiary of your estate.

If you'd like more information about the latest developments in estate tax laws, or about including California Hospital in your estate plans, we can help. Please contact **Susan Shum**, Director of Development at 213-742-5662. The choices you make now can touch the lives of countless people for many years into the future, so don't delay—plan today!

## Estate Planning Tips

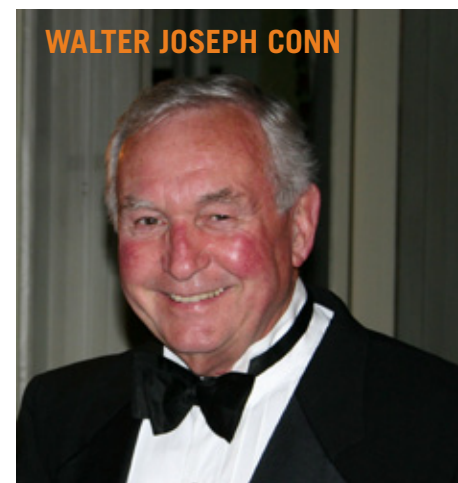


If you do not spell out what you want to happen with your estate, through a will or living trust, you are losing control. Start your planning with this list:

- Get a will or living trust written.
- Talk to an attorney you trust to have this done.
- Have formal health and financial power of attorney documents established.
- If you have children under 18, make sure to name a guardian.
- If you have a retirement plan [IRA, 401(k) or 403(b)], be sure you name a beneficiary.
- Consider naming California Hospital Medical Center Foundation for a percentage of your estate.

# In memoriam

To make a gift in memory of a friend or loved one, go to [supportcaliforniahospital.org](http://supportcaliforniahospital.org) and click on the donate button on the top of the page.



WALTER JOSEPH CONN

## WALTER JOSEPH CONN

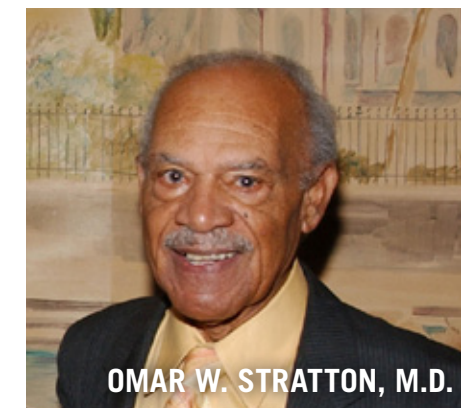
Walter Conn passed away peacefully in his sleep surrounded by his family after a hard-fought battle with cancer. A prolific philanthropist, he served on a variety of charitable and school boards, giving money, time, and support to countless charities and institutions over his lifetime. He joined the CHMC Foundation board in 2005 and served until his death on September 28, 2014.

Mr. Conn was chairman and chief executive officer of Charles Dunn Company, a leading Los Angeles-based commercial real estate firm established in 1921. After joining the company in 1963 to establish the Property Management Division, he became a partner in 1978, then acquired the company in 1995 from the Dunn family. The firm flourished under his entrepreneurial leadership, and become one of the largest and most respected firms on the West Coast.

Always concerned with the well-being of others before himself, Mr. Conn kept his door open to lend an ear, give advice, and help anyone needing him. He was a humble, quick-witted and inspiring leader who will be missed by many.

## OMAR W. STRATTON, M.D.

CHMC lost a long-time friend and physician leader on December 24, 2014 with the passing of **Dr. Omar W. Stratton**. A proud fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and dedicated practitioner, he served on the medical staff at California Hospital from 1960 to 1994. After his retirement, he continued as a member of the CHMC Community Board until stepping down in 2014 due to illness. He also served as Chief of Staff of California



OMAR W. STRATTON, M.D.

Hospital, President of the Sickle Cell Anemia Research Foundation, and was a member of the Board of Trustees of Chadwick School.

In *A Lantern of Hope*, a history of CHMC published in 1993, Dr. Stratton reflected on the hospital to which he devoted a lifetime of service. "I have always felt that the medical center has a destiny that has not as yet been fulfilled," he said, noting his belief that a key part of this destiny was to be a mission-focused hospital serving the health needs of the central city. By selflessly giving of his wisdom and his remarkable skills as a healer, Dr. Stratton helped build the hospital into the essential community resource it is today.

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If you have changed your address, please call CHMC Foundation at 213-742-5703.



Groundbreaking neurosurgeons Samuel L. Biggers, Jr., M.D. and John J. Holly, M.D. celebrate retirement.

## Neurosurgery Team Retires After 43 Years of Life-Saving Service

Two gifted neurosurgeons retired in 2014 after more than 40 years of service at California Hospital. **Samuel L. Biggers, Jr., M.D.** and **John J. Holly, M.D.** were both key members of our trauma team and they have helped care for many of our most critically injured patients. They were pioneers in the field and have saved and touched thousands of lives. It has been this hospital's great fortune to call these two incredible physicians our own and we owe them a tremendous debt of gratitude for their service.

# Donor Honor Roll

This section recognizes gifts valued at \$50 or more. All gifts are important. We sincerely appreciate the support and generosity of all our donors.

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