

# Better Together.

Mather Employee & Volunteer Giving Campaign

Fall/Winter 2018

This fall hundreds of Mather employees will step forward and make an investment in our own non-profit organization through the Employee & Volunteer Giving Program. This campaign has no dollar goal, only a challenge to participate. What you give is up to you. Where you give is up to you. And how you give is up to you.

The Employee Giving program is about all of us and how we can impact the lives of others. We are Better Together! Mather is a special place and for many of us it is not just where we work, but it is also where we bring our loved ones for care. Some of us are passionate about our cancer services, for others it's the lifesaving work done in our Emergency Department. What area touches your heart?

Staff members recommended a number of programs you may want to consider supporting through the Employee & Volunteer Giving Campaign this year.



**Advanced heart care** – We're working hard to get the Cardiac Catheterization Lab at Mather. The community needs this program at their community teaching hospital. Help us make this a reality!



**Lifesaving emergency care** – Our Emergency Department logs about 40,000 patient visits each year. They have pioneered new solutions to improve the patient experience there. It is the front door to Mather Hospital, with about 80% of our inpatients coming in through the ED.



**Exceptional breast cancer screening** – People come from all over to go to the Fortunato Breast Health Center. Over the past year we installed two new advanced 3D mammography units and welcomed Dr. Sheri Ford, a new breast imaging specialist to the staff. The staff's extraordinary compassion and caring are frequently recognized by our patients.



**A healing environment for cancer patients** – You've seen the big debris shoot next to the front entrance and probably heard some construction noise. We are very close to opening our newly renovated 2 South Oncology and Medical/Surgical Unit. We are still raising funds for this project. When complete, the new unit will offer our cancer patients single-bedded rooms with in-room showers, and the entire unit will receive a facelift with newly renovated patient rooms, hallways, nurses stations and more.



**A warm nose when you need one** - Our patients and staff love our canine visitors. Animal assisted therapy has been proven to calm patients and relieve stress ultimately leading to better outcomes. Our patients and staff benefit greatly from the dogs' visits. The program is completely donor funded. Help bring a warm wet nose to Mather and brighten someone's day!

## What you should know...

- You can choose any area of the hospital to give to but the programs listed are happening now.
- New this year – Online donations! For an easy way to make a gift or start your payroll deduction go to [www.matherbettertogether.org](http://www.matherbettertogether.org).
- Based on your donation level, we have a special thank you for you—check out the attached flyer for more information and particularly the new cool graphic tee shirt given as a thank you for gifts of \$130 or more. You'll want to collect a new tee shirt every year.
- As a thank you for pledging early (before November 15th), we'll enter your name into the raffle drawing for a smart TV and you get double raffle tickets for the Big Raffle on December 11th.

Our promise to you is your gift's impact will take shape right before your eyes. Please join us!

Have a question? Call me at x4291 (631.476.2723) or email me any time at [ljuliano@matherhospital.org](mailto:ljuliano@matherhospital.org).

## We are Better Together!

Respectfully,

*Laura*

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Director of Annual Giving

PS - If you make a gift, and you want to tell your story about why you did, call me so we can inspire others and show how you make a difference!