

R/MC GIVING MATTERS

Stories of impact from our supporters



A Gift in Memory

HONORING KATHY OTTING'S 37+ YEARS OF COMPASSIONATE CARE AT

Regional  Medical Center®

A Message from Us

Welcome to the first issue of RMC Giving Matters!

Every day, the work we do at Regional Medical Center (RMC) is built upon the generosity and belief of people like you. This newsletter is dedicated to sharing the real, tangible results of your support. Inside every issue, you'll find stories of growth, achievement and the powerful partnerships that make our mission possible.

Thank you for being the foundation of our success. Your support truly matters and makes a difference.



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Honoring Kathy Otting

RMC is deeply touched by a generous **\$15,000 gift** made in memory of Kathy Otting, a dedicated employee who served our community for over 37 years. Kathy was a beloved Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) in the inpatient unit, known for providing compassionate care to countless patients during her three decades at RMC.

To honor Kathy's profound commitment to RMC and her passion for healthcare education, her family chose to divide the gift, creating a dual legacy of support:

- **\$7,500** was directed to the **RMC Auxiliary's Tree of Lights** fund, which supports three annual scholarships for area students entering a human healthcare field of study.
- **\$7,500** was contributed to the **RMC Endowment Fund**, ensuring RMC's financial stability and ability to serve the community far into the future.



A Meaningful Way to Give

Tree of Lights



The RMC Auxiliary's **"Tree of Lights"** shines brightly in the main lobby of the RMC River Ridge Pavilion from November through mid-January.

Donating to the Tree of Lights is a meaningful way to both **honor or remember loved ones** while funding the next generation of healthcare professionals through scholarships. Each gift is recognized with a special white ornament placed on the tree, featuring the name of the person you are celebrating. You can contribute to the Scholarship Fund and honor your loved one(s) this holiday season:

- **By Mail:** Send your gift, made payable to **RMC Auxiliary**, to: Regional Medical Center, ATTN Donations, PO Box 359, Manchester, Iowa 52057
- **Give online at** regmedctr.org/treeoflights



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A Reflective Gift

Born and raised in Manchester, Joyce Hansel was deeply dedicated to her community and demonstrated her commitment to her hometown health system by **giving RMC \$42,248.42** through her estate plan. After graduating from Manchester High School, Joyce pursued further education in California, fueling her lifelong passion for learning—whether it was art, crafting or tackling a new skill as an avid DIYer.



A Gift Reflecting a Lifetime of Commitment to RMC

Joyce eventually returned to Iowa, settling in Cedar Rapids where she worked at Collins Radio for many years before coming back to Manchester to care for her aging parents. During this time, she witnessed firsthand the exceptional care provided by RMC. She genuinely valued and appreciated the health system's commitment to the community. Reflecting this high regard, Joyce formalized her commitment by **donating \$42,248.42 through her estate plan**, ensuring RMC can continue its essential work.

Joyce Hansel's thoughtful **gift of \$42,248.42** ensures her lifelong dedication to the Manchester community continues through RMC's healing mission. RMC is deeply grateful for her foresight and incredible generosity. Her legacy will continue to support the health and well-being of our patients for years to come.

St. Mary's School



Every Cent Counts

The students of **St. Mary's School in Manchester** truly made every cent count! Through a fun and spirited **Penny War** fundraising competition, they raised an incredible **\$4,038.48** to purchase books for local children.

This generous gift allows **Regional Family Health (RFH)** clinics to continue a vital practice: providing a **free book** to every child (aged one to six) during their annual well-child visit.

Why is this gift so important? Reading to children from a young age is crucial for development. It fosters **cognitive development**, improves language skills and academic performance and helps strengthen emotional attachment. By supporting early literacy, RFH aims to advance the overall wellness of the communities we serve.

"Our team loves handing out these free books, and we know they will make a difference for children and families," shared **Michelle Paris, Regional Family Health Clinic Director**. "Thank you to **St. Mary's School in Manchester**—your generosity is directly helping us give back to the community."

Donor Spotlight

We shine a light on the **Manchester Masonic Lodge**, whose commitment to local healthcare recently led them to contribute \$5,000 to the RMC Endowment Fund. Their vision is clear: they want to ensure RMC remains a strong healthcare provider for generations to come.



"We chose to support RMC because we genuinely appreciate the facility and want it to exist for future generations."

What is an Endowment Fund?

RMC's **Endowment Fund** is an investment that focuses on long-term growth and stability. When you donate to the Endowment, the **principal amount remains intact** (never spent), while the investment income it generates is available to support RMC's ongoing needs. The fund is professionally managed by the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque.

Currently, the Endowment balance is **\$292,529.18**, and our goal is to grow the fund to **\$500,000**.

Help us Reach Our Goal!

You can join the Manchester Masonic Lodge in saving for RMC's future. To make a gift to the Endowment Fund, please:



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Mail a check (payable to RMC Endowment Fund) to:
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Manchester, Iowa 52057

Give online at regmedctr.org/endowment

Giving Through Grief



**The Thole
Family
Honors
Parents'
Legacy with
\$10,000 Gift**

Ernie and Marge Thole were lifelong, strong supporters of RMC. Following the loss of their parents, the Thole family came together to honor their wishes by giving back to their local hospital, donating **\$10,000** to the Emergency Department.

The family chose the Emergency Department because they had witnessed the team's exceptional care firsthand, sharing that the service provided was **"top-notch."** Beyond the excellent medical treatment their parents received, the Tholes highlighted the heartfelt compassion shown by the staff during their time of grief. "After our loss, we never felt rushed," the family shared. "We were cared for as much as our parents had been—receiving big hugs and comfort."

The Thole family's gift is a testament to the **excellent, compassionate care** provided by the Emergency Department team during some of life's most difficult moments. We are profoundly grateful for their generosity and their deep appreciation of RMC's staff.

A DENIM & LACE AFFAIR

Gratitude Gala

presented by RMC

Join us for the RMC Gratitude Gala to celebrate our hospital and raise essential funds for the **new Surgery Addition!** This special evening is your chance to support RMC while enjoying a comfortable and elegant night out with friends and community members.

A Note on Attire - Denim & Lace: We encourage a **dressy-casual, comfortable** theme. Think “rugged meets refined” to match our Rustic Creek venue! Style your look around “denim and lace” by pairing nice jeans with a sophisticated blouse, sharp shirt or jacket—or by adding a great denim jacket over a comfortable dress. The goal is elegant comfort!



Event Details

DATE Friday, April 17, 2026

LOCATION Rustic Creek, 2308 315th St, Hopkinton, IA 52237

PROCEEDS 100% of proceeds go toward our new Surgery Addition

TICKETS Must be purchased in advance!

Schedule of Events

Ongoing

50/50 Cash Raffle
Silent Auction
Cash Bar

6-7PM

Social Hour

7-8PM

Dinner & Dessert
Fat Chefs & The Bread Basket

8-10PM

Live Music
Darrell, Karen & Connie



Get your tickets today!

regmedctr.org/gala

\$50 | PER PERSON

\$375 | PER TABLE OF 8

Save \$25 when booking a table!

Questions? Contact Valerie at 563-927-7534 or email donations@regmedctr.org.



Community Partners Invest

RMC is proud to recognize the incredible generosity of our community partners. Thanks to your unwavering support, we have successfully raised **\$53,750** toward the new **Surgery Addition** and the **Endowment Fund**.

This vital funding will support the construction of our new state-of-the-art Surgery Addition, ensuring access to advanced procedures close to home and strengthen the Endowment Fund, which helps RMC’s long-term financial stability. Your partnership is invaluable.

On behalf of the entire RMC healthcare team, we extend our sincere gratitude to our Fiscal Year 2026 Sponsors at the Supporter level and above:

Sponsorship Level	Amount	Partners
Platinum	\$5,000	Louis & Diane Koch; INVISION; Iowa Anesthesia L.C.; Leonard-Muller Funeral Home & Crematory; Sip & Dream Air BnB, Steve & Abby Buesing, PA-C
Gold	\$2,500	Banklowa; F&M Bank; KMCH 94.7 FM; Pipe Pro, Inc.; Don A. & Beverly Preussner
Silver	\$1,000	Black Hills Energy; E. Michael & Sylvia L. Carr; Gosling & Company, P.C.; Dale & Susan Kartman; Dennis & Donna Pilgrim; Rustic Creek; Seedorff Masonry, Inc.; Susie Meyer EXIT Realty; Dan & Kathy Swift
Bronze	\$500	Citizens State Bank; GNB Bank; Monaghan Financial Services, Ltd.; Spahn & Rose Lumber Company; Torus Technologies, Inc.; Weland Clinical Laboratories, P.C.
Supporter	\$250	Bohnenkamp-Murdoch Funeral Home & Cremation Service; Casey’s; Community Savings Bank; Delta Dental of Iowa; Eide Bailly LLP; Health Enterprises; Joe’s Pizza Manchester; Kluesner Flooring, Inc.; Riverbend Pub & Grill; Sunset Family Restaurant; Adam & Pam Vaske

Your Support Matters

For over 75 years (since 1950), RMC has been a vital, not-for-profit public hospital dedicated to the health of our community.

Serving seven counties and more than 23,000 people, our priority is you—specifically, continuously enhancing your patient experience. Thanks to generous community support, RMC has been able **to grow and expand**, ensuring you always receive the personalized, compassionate care you deserve. Please consider making a **tax-deductible donation** today! **What's raised here, stays here** to directly benefit our local services.



Ways to Give Today

Making a gift to RMC is simple, and **100% of the proceeds** will go toward funding our exciting **new Surgery Addition**.



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How to Donate

Online: regmedctr.org/annualappeal

By Mail: Complete and return the enclosed card

Maximizing Your Impact

Every gift, regardless of size, makes a direct and meaningful impact on the compassionate care we provide to the communities we serve.

We graciously accept the following **tax-deductible** donations:

Monetary Donations (Cash, Check, Credit Card)
Stocks and Securities
IRA Charitable Rollover
Bequests (Gifts in your will)
Planned Giving and Estate Planning
Endowment Fund contributions
Agricultural Donations

Note: To ensure your gift is structured in the best way possible, please consult with your attorney or financial advisor before completing complex donations.

If you have questions or wish to no longer receive RMC Fundraising communication, call Valerie Lindsay, Volunteer Services & Fund Development Manager at 563-927-7534 or email donations@regmedctr.org.



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