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# Introducing: The Women and Children's Health Initiative at HSHS St. Nicholas Hospital

IT BEGINS HERE.

Our commitment to caring for women and children in Sheboygan County is deeply rooted in our belief of caring for the whole person in body, mind, and spirit, at every stage of their life and development.

By prioritizing women and children's health, we strive to uphold their physical, emotional, and spiritual wellbeing, knowing we are empowering the present and nurturing the future of our community.

This initiative plans to cultivate three key pillars:

- Women's Health Imaging Renovation
- Women and Infants Refresh and Renovation
- Kids and Babies



### **L** Dear Friends,

As you look through these pillars for this exciting campaign, I know that you will find a connection. Whether it's someone close to you who has been affected by a breast cancer diagnosis, a child who has been impacted by incredible care, or a precious baby you know that was born at St. Nicholas; these personal testimonies embody the essence of our commitment to the community.

At HSHS St. Nicholas Hospital, we want to rise and meet the significant needs of our community, but we cannot grow alone. We need your help and support to make this a reality. Your contribution is a testament to your belief in our mission, your dedication to making a tangible difference in the lives of those we serve. Every donation, regardless of size, resonates deeply within the fabric of our mission, fueling our progress. It is our prayer that you would find meaning and generosity in your review of this initiative!

Sincerely,
Johannah Wenig, MBA
Director of St. Nicholas Hospital Foundation



## Women's Health Imaging Renovation



NEED: WOMEN IN SHEBOYGAN COUNTY ARE CURRENTLY EXPERIENCING SIGNIFICANT WAIT TIMES FOR ROUTINE

IMAGING, BIOPSIES, AND MORE EXTENSIVE SCREENING. THIS GAP WILL CONTINUE TO GROW AS THE COMMUNITY EXPANDS AND THE SUCCESS OF PROACTIVE HEALTH INITIATIVES INCREASE.

By creating an area dedicated to women's imaging for breast health, we underscore our commitment to empowering women with:

- Proactive breast health screening options, ensuring timely and accurate diagnoses.
- Leading additional mammography technology, ensuring advanced screening and diagnostic capabilities for early detection. This is key to St. Nicholas reducing it's wait times.
- Creation of a new space offering a supportive and comforting environment that allows for understanding the unique concerns and emotions associated with breast health.



### Women and Infant Refresh and Renovation

**NEED:** AS OTHER HOSPITALS CLOSE WOMEN AND INFANT DEPARTMENTS, HSHS ST. NICHOLAS IS EXPANDING.

WITH THE THRIVING PRACTICES OF TWO OB-GYNS AND THE RECENT ADDITION OF TWO CERTIFIED NURSE-MIDWIVES, THE NEED FOR OPTIMAL SPACE AND EXPANDED SERVICES IN SHEBOYGAN COUNTY INCREASES.

This renovation aims to enhance our space to an environment that is updated, comfortable, and conducive to optimal birthing experiences, women's health surgeries, and our care for our tiniest community members.

- Renovation incorporates state-of-the-art medical technology, enhanced atmosphere, and improved amenities.
- The renovation includes a **thoughtful restructure** of spaces to better serve moms in crisis and women's health surgeries.

By investing in this renovation, you are fostering a compassionate and nurturing atmosphere where every woman can embark on her journey of motherhood with confidence and reassurance.







#### **Kids and Babies**

The Women and Children's Health initiative also includes plans to update one of our HSHS St. Nicholas Emergency Department rooms to be more pediatric-friendly, creating a comforting atmosphere for kids. This includes:

- Increasing pediatric-specific equipment and technology for emergency room visits.
- Stronger presence in Sheboygan County with our sister hospital HSHS St. Vincent Children's Hospital in Green Bay.
- Enhanced space that's more **kid-friendly** in our emergency room.



#### Initiative Investment Details

This initiative will only be possible through philanthropic dollars from our community. This strategic growth meets a need and bridges a gap to create capacity for the continued growth of our community. By generously donating to this initiative, you are investing in the future of Sheboygan County.

- Women's Imaging Health Renovation: \$1.8M
   Includes completely renovated space and new equipment for expanding services.
- Women and Infants Refresh and Renovation: \$1.6M
   Includes refresh of space, new technology, and new equipment.
- Kids and Babies: \$50K
   Includes a dedicated pediatric ER room at HSHS St. Nicholas Hospital.

Total project estimate: \$3.4M





