

St. Francis Convent, Springfield, IL

In 1888 the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis came to Green Bay by request of Bishop Frederick Katzer to start a hospital in the community.

The Sisters began their ministry equipped with just one chair, four beds and an old cook stove. Yet an abundance of faith and a dedication to serve propelled them to thrive and grow. This spirit is still carried on today by dedicated medical staff, colleagues, volunteers and generous benefactors who live by the creed "caring for the patient first." Thank you for being part of our hospital legacy.

# Joining the 1888 Legacy Society

To become a member of HSHS St. Vincent/St. Mary's Hospital Foundation 1888 Legacy Society please let us know that you have made an estate gift to benefit HSHS St. Vincent Hospital or HSHS St. Mary's Hospital Medical Center.

As a member of this special group, you will receive a gift of appreciation, permanent recognition on our HSHS St. Vincent Hospital and HSHS St. Mary's Hospital Medical Center Walls of Honor and invitation to an annual donor recognition event. A wish of anonymity will be honored.

If you have questions about estate planning, consult your attorney, accountant or financial planner. For more information on the 1888 Legacy Society, please contact the HSHS St. Vincent/ St. Mary's Foundation at (920) 884-5930 or email Christine. Vandenhoogen@hshs.org.



Our values are reflected in the care we extend to those who need our resources, let that be the most exceptional care.

~ Judy Nagel



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# Leave a *Legacy*



Sts. Clare and Francis Building God's Church

### For it is in giving that we receive.

St. Francis of Assisi



# The 1888 Legacy Society

As non-profit hospitals, we rely on generous contributions from people like you to help us achieve our mission. Each year, HSHS St. Vincent/HSHS St. Mary's Hospital Foundation is fortunate to receive gifts that have been pre-planned by thoughtful, forward-thinking donors. Through provisions in their wills and other long-term plans, they are able to make gifts of great significance.

Legacy gifts are used to cover costs for indigent patients, purchase life-saving equipment and support programs and services for patients and their families.

If you have a specific health care interest, your legacy gift can be designated to benefit a service area or program of your choosing.

Your decision to leave a lasting legacy provides us an opportunity to expand our compassionate care to generations of future patients.



Through serving on hospital committees for many years, we have an awareness of how the mission of HSHS St. Vincent Hospital enhances the quality of life for those in need.

~ Darryl and Judy Johnson



Nature scene (stained glass) depiction of St. Francis and our Franciscan heritage, located on the first floor of HSHS St. Vincent Hospital

## Leave Your Legacy – Ways to Give

Will-bequests: These are gifts made from an estate after your death, or as a result of instructions outlined in a will. These can be a specific dollar amount, a specific asset(s) or a percentage of an estate. If you choose to give a gift through your will, you can make your bequest available for immediate use or restrict it to an endowment.

Charitable trusts: These gifts allow the donor to receive ongoing income from the asset. Charitable trusts provide donors with regular cash payments, a charitable income tax deduction, avoidance or reduction of estate taxes and elimination of money-management concerns. Named charitable recipients would receive the remainder of assets upon death.

Life insurance: Transferring a life insurance policy's ownership can result in great tax benefits for you and a generous way to gift. HSHS St. Vincent or HSHS St. Mary's Hospitals can also be included as a beneficiary of an existing or new policy.

**Stocks and securities:** A gift of stock or appreciated securities has many tax advantages including immediate tax deduction for the fair market value of the stock and avoidance of capital-gains tax to you.

**Real estate:** If you own a home, a vacation home, acreage or farmland, a charitable gift of real estate can be especially tax-advantageous.

Endowment: An endowment is an amount of money given with a stipulation that the funds are invested to increase in value rather than spent immediately. A portion of the annual earnings is then used to support hospital programs. Named endowments are a gracious way to honor a loved one or family name. It is also a gift that continues to give into perpetuity. A minimum of \$10,000 is required to establish a named endowment fund for the benefit of the hospitals.



HSHS St. Vincent and HSHS St. Mary's Hospitals are a major part of our professional and personal lives, providing exceptional care for our patients and family. And they continue to serve our community, regardless of ability to pay. We, and northeastern Wisconsin, are truly blessed.

~ Dr. Gordon Haugan and Dr. Mary Meyer Haugan