



# GIVING

Miracles happen because of you

# Hope

## Never Stop Believing in Comebacks

Your support helps patients get a second chance

Mental health and substance/alcohol abuse has been on the forefront of public conversation for several years and there is a need now more than ever as patients continue to seek help. LE Phillips-Libertas Treatment Center (LEP) offers inpatient substance abuse services to address the needs of patients.

LEP is the only facility of its kind in the region. The facility opened its doors in 1977, and programs are affiliated with HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital. "At L.E. Phillips-Libertas Treatment Center, we never stop believing that comebacks are possible," said Toni Simonson, Executive Director of Behavioral Health, HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital. Services are available to adults who experience problems relating to substance abuse.

HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital and the LEP team collaborates with Chippewa and Eau Claire County community members and agencies to assess top health concerns. This allows for a better understanding and the development of action plans to address these needs in the community. Recently, alcohol misuse and substance abuse have been identified as top health concerns in our region.

LEP provides a direct impact on addressing these concerns by providing accessible, evidence-based, high-quality treatment.

*"We build hope that recovery from drugs and alcohol is possible," added Toni.*

"We can provide patients in our local communities the chance to live their life FREE from substance use disorders."

Because of your support of HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital and L.E. Phillips-Libertas Treatment Center, community members have direct access to a treatment center that will never give up hope on a better tomorrow. Thank you!



L.E. Phillips  
**Libertas**  
TREATMENT CENTER

# L.E. Phillips-Libertas Treatment Center

## Joins the Hazelden Betty Ford Patient Care Network

HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital and L.E. Phillips-Libertas Treatment Center is now an affiliate of the Hazelden Betty Ford Patient Care Network. The network, formed in 2017, is the first of its kind in the addiction treatment industry.

Their programming helps member affiliates increase patient engagement, therapeutic alliance, self-efficacy, and treatment outcomes. They strive to share a philosophy to their members about the most effective, evidence-based treatment for substance use disorders.

Because of YOU, L.E. Phillips-Libertas Treatment Center has access to tools, resources and collaborative consultation for their organization's leadership, staff, patients, families and communities. This will allow providers and caregivers to provide the best possible care for patients struggling with behavioral health issues in the ever-changing landscape of today's healthcare and addiction epidemic.



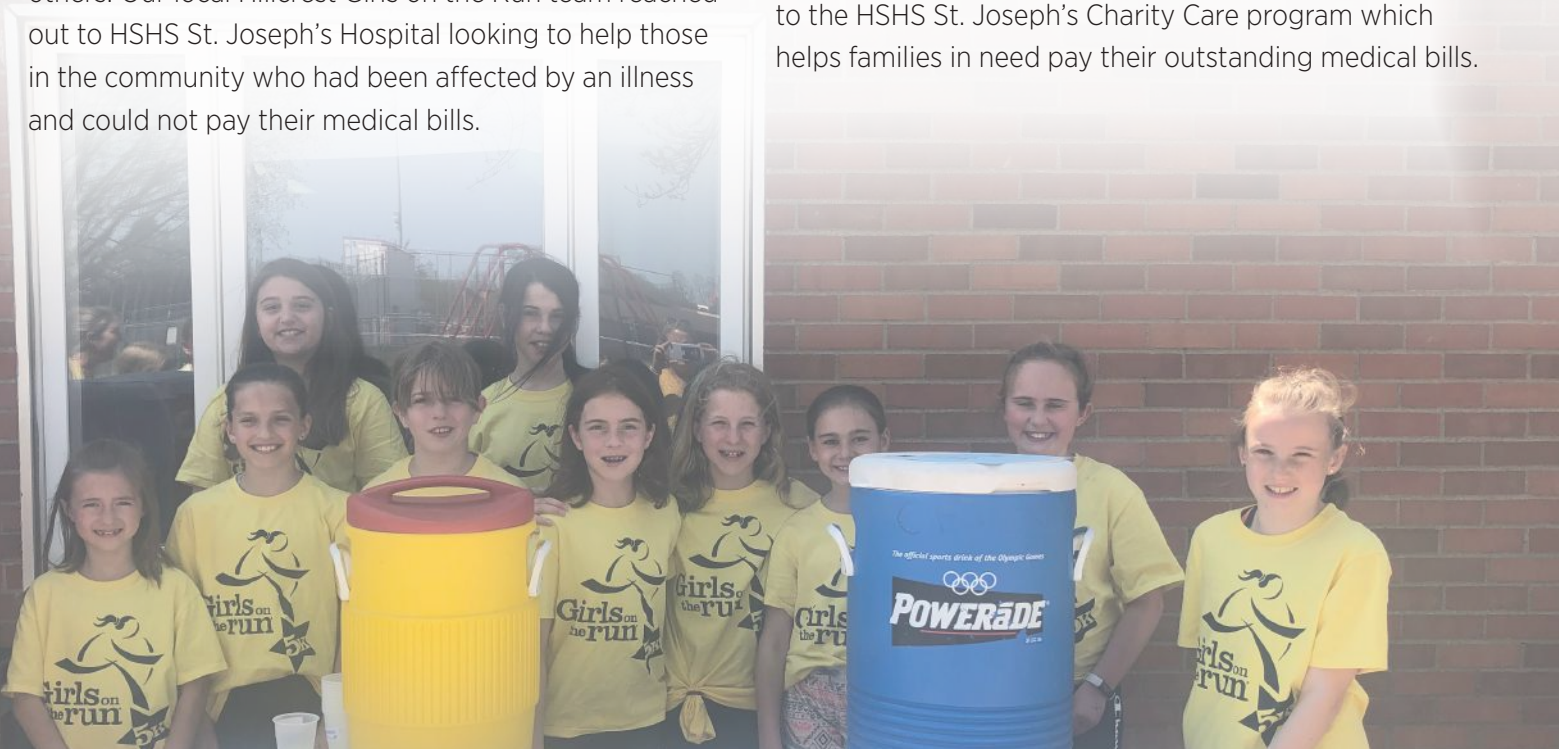
## Local school program making a difference

Girls on the Run is a national program inspiring ALL girls to build confidence and make intentional decisions, while

showing care and compassion for themselves and others. Our local Hillcrest Girls on the Run team reached out to HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital looking to help those in the community who had been affected by an illness and could not pay their medical bills.

To make as big of an impact as possible, the girls chose to host a lemonade stand during recess as a treat for all students. They spread the word to all students and families by creating flyer's and announcements to ensure they would have a successful fundraiser.

The Hillcrest Girls on the Run team raised nearly \$400 from their lemonade stand and donated all the proceeds to the HSHS St. Joseph's Charity Care program which helps families in need pay their outstanding medical bills.





We are overjoyed to welcome **Peggy Pendergast** as our new Major Gifts Officer for the HSHS Sacred Heart Foundation. "I am so excited Peggy has become a part of our team. She lives, eats and breathes the mission. Her years of commitment to this ministry makes her the perfect fit," said Jane Gobler, HSHS Sacred Heart Foundation Director.

Peggy has spent nearly 20 years at HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital spending time in several departments, most recently in the Cancer Center. She has two children and four grandchildren. In her spare time, Peggy enjoys traveling, hiking and spending time with family and her animals.

She had the pleasure of working with Father Klimek for several years. "Father's compassion and devotion was instrumental in my personal and professional growth," said Peggy. As the facilitator of the Larry Mathews Mission Outreach Program, Peggy was able to spend quality time with our Franciscan sisters who shared their love and commitment to the mission.

"I am honored to join the HSHS Sacred Heart Foundation. The foundation has always been an important part of St. Joseph's history. I have done my best to support the foundation over the years financially and by volunteering my time through events and committee participations. By joining the foundation team, I feel empowered to share my love for the hospital and the mission with our generous donors."



*(Back Row, Left to Right: Kelsey Pendergast, daughter; Jacob Pendergast, son; Katrina Pendergast, daughter-in-law; Bristyl, granddaughter. Front Row, Left to Right: Peggy; Joseph, grandson; Paisley, granddaughter)*

# Join us in Welcoming Peggy Pendergast

# Grateful. Blessed. Thankful.

## Helping Families Who Need It the Most

Charity Care program making a difference in your community

HSHS St. Joseph's Foundation was able to assist 52 families within the community through the Charity Care program. Over the past year, more than \$850,000 was dispersed to assist these families, who fall within the federal poverty level and have outstanding balances that they have been making payments on.



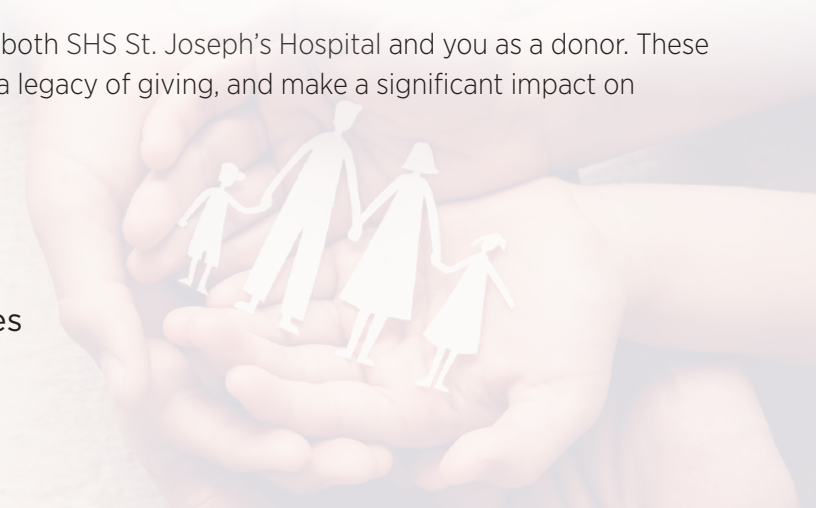
## Giving Tomorrow Starts Today

Leave your legacy through planned giving

Planned gifts, or legacy gifts, offer a great opportunity for both SHS St. Joseph's Hospital and you as a donor. These gift arrangements are a way to reflect YOUR values, leave a legacy of giving, and make a significant impact on patients seeking our care.

Planned gifts can be directed to a particular fund or for a particular use. Ways to make a planned gift include:

- Will/bequests
- Charitable trusts
- Life insurance
- Stocks and securities
- Retirement plans
- Real estate



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If you have a question about planned giving, consult your attorney, accountant or financial planner.

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