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## Mobile Miracles

### YOUR SUPPORT ENSURES ADVANCED KNEE REPLACEMENT CARE IS AVAILABLE IN OCONTO FALLS

Charlie used to struggle with arthritic pain in both knees. It made his everyday tasks painful and his golden years less joyful. But thanks to you, he received the comprehensive care he needed at HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital. You made it possible for Charlie to have total knee replacement surgery - right here in Oconto Falls.

For Charlie, arthritic pain in both knees worsened to the point where climbing stairs, getting into his truck, and shoveling his driveway became increasingly painful tasks. Charlie's doctor understood his need for relief and supported his

choice for double-knee replacement surgery. Charlie said, "For me, this meant I would only have to recover from the surgery and physical therapy once, rather than twice."

Charlie's journey, from surgery at HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital to physical therapy at the Prevea Oconto Falls Medical Services Building, was seamless and comprehensive—thanks to supporters like YOU. "A couple of hours after my surgery, physical therapists were guiding me through stretches, stair-climbing exercises, and short walks," shared Charlie.

**Your help makes sure these important services are available right here in our community.**

Charlie saw significant improvements just one month following surgery. Today, Charlie can enjoy a pain-free life and is able to walk three miles or more—all thanks to your support. You played a crucial role, providing him with the exceptional caregivers and healing environment needed for a successful surgery and rehabilitation. His story is just one of many touched by your generosity. Your commitment to HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital means people in our community receive high-quality healthcare close to home, making a real difference in their lives.



## 2023 Donations: Your Tax Summary Awaits!



Reflecting on the incredible impact of your generosity throughout 2023, we want to ensure you have everything you need for tax season. If you would like a summary of your 2023 giving for your records, simply email us at [WI-Foundations@hshs.org](mailto:WI-Foundations@hshs.org) or contact us by phone at **920-884-5928**.

Your contributions fuel our mission to reveal and embody Christ's healing love for all people through our high-quality Franciscan health care. Thank you!



# 12 Months: 12 Gifts of Healing and Hope

## BECOME A MONTHLY DONOR TODAY

Bringing healing and hope to patients at HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital is now easier than ever. Your commitment as a monthly donor ensures ongoing support for our patients' well-being. By joining, you will:

- Set up effortless monthly donations from your credit card.
- Direct your gift to a cause that resonates with you or to the area of greatest need.
- Receive an annual tax acknowledgment letter.
- Have the flexibility to modify or pause your donation at any time.

### Beginning is easy!

1. Visit our secure, online donation form at [hshs.org/st-clare/community/giving/donate](https://hshs.org/st-clare/community/giving/donate)
2. Select a monthly gift amount or add your own.
3. Check "Make this a monthly gift".
4. Provide your contact info, payment method, and any optional details.
5. Click "Donate Now".

If you have any questions or would like to learn more, please contact us at **920-884-5928** or [WI-Foundations@hshs.org](mailto:WI-Foundations@hshs.org).



# Share Your Story

We want you to know how important your generosity is to our patients, their families, and our caregivers. Saints Alive! is a quarterly publication designed to highlight the meaningful impact YOU make on our hospital and how you make miracles happen every day.

Do you have a story to share? Do you know someone who had a great experience at our hospital?

Let us know at [WI-Foundations@hshs.org](mailto:WI-Foundations@hshs.org) and it could be featured in a future publication!

