

St. Helena Hospital  
Foundation



# 2025 Impact Report



Adventist Health St. Helena  
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*Because of you...* **ADVANCING INNOVATION. ACCESS. COMPASSION**

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# A Message From...

Dr. Steven Herber, President, St. Helena Hospital, and Jim Gamble, Board Chair  
St. Helena Hospital Foundation



L to R: Jim Gamble and Steve Herber, MD

In a year marked by constant change, one thing has remained unwavering: the extraordinary care our doctors, nurses, and caregivers provide every day to our patients and to our community. Their commitment, compassion, and professionalism continue to be a steady source of strength, and we are deeply proud of all that has been accomplished in the face of external challenges.

From our state-of-the-art cancer care to meaningful innovations in heart health, our hospital has continued to advance clinical excellence. We are honored that these efforts have been recognized with awards and accolades that reflect the dedication, expertise, and heart of our medical teams—and the impact of your support. Beyond

our walls, our Mobile Health Team has been embedded in the community, delivering vital health screenings and addressing food insecurity for vulnerable families, ensuring care reaches those who need it most.

None of this would be possible without you. Your generosity and steadfast partnership have provided a steady hand during times of uncertainty, and for that we offer our most heartfelt thanks. Time and again, we hear from patients and families how profoundly the exceptional care they receive supports healing and restores hope. Having a community hospital at the heart of the Napa Valley—one that delivers outstanding, deeply personal care—is an essential pillar of our region.

It is with great pride that we share this 2025 Impact Report with you, highlighting what we have achieved together. Your trust and support make this work possible, and we are profoundly grateful to walk this path alongside you.

With sincere appreciation,

Steve Herber, MD  
President  
St. Helena Hospital

Jim Gamble  
Board of Directors, Chair  
St. Helena Hospital Foundation



## Our Mission

*The mission of the Foundation is to provide  
philanthropic support and  
enhance community connection for  
Adventist Health St. Helena and its vision  
to transform the health of our communities.  
Living God's love by inspiring health,  
wholeness and hope.*

# Board of Directors

*The Foundation, led by its Board of Directors who serve as vital community advocates, has raised over \$90 million to fund the latest equipment and technology, and obtain the finest medical team to provide an elevated health care experience for patients. Donations have allowed for St. Helena Hospital to remain at its best, providing top quality care in the region.*

## **Officers**

Jim Gamble, *Chair*  
Pat Stotesbery, *Vice Chair*  
Rick Jones, *Treasurer*  
Karen Cakebread, *Secretary*

## **Directors**

Daphne Araujo  
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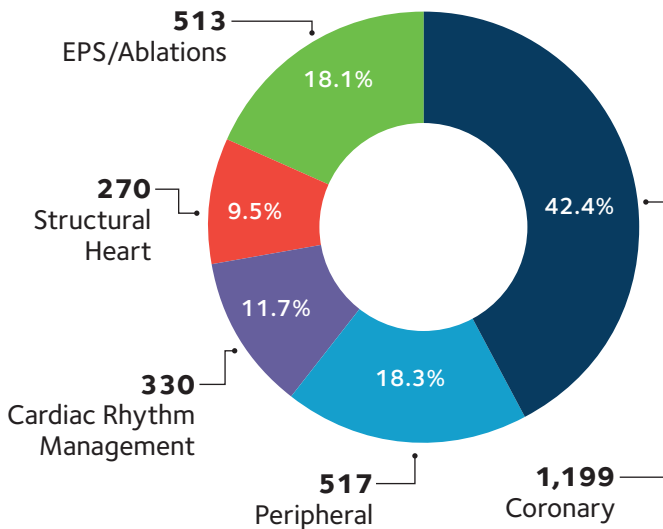


# 2025 Impact at a Glance

*Your generosity helped deliver tens of thousands of patient encounters across St. Helena Hospital in 2025*

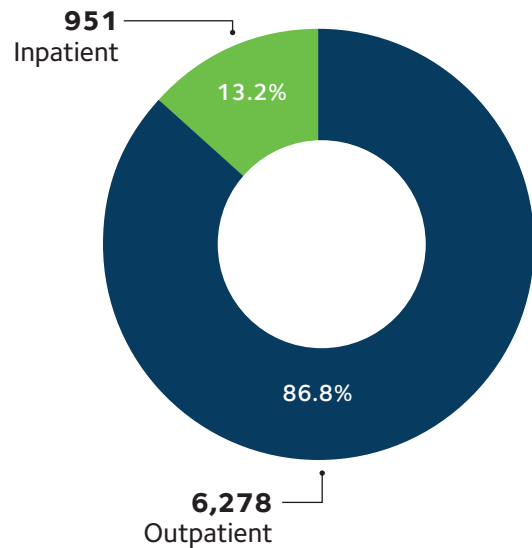
## Advanced Cardiac & Vascular Care

In 2025, donor-supported cardiac programs enabled **2,829 cath lab procedures**, bringing advanced heart care close to home.



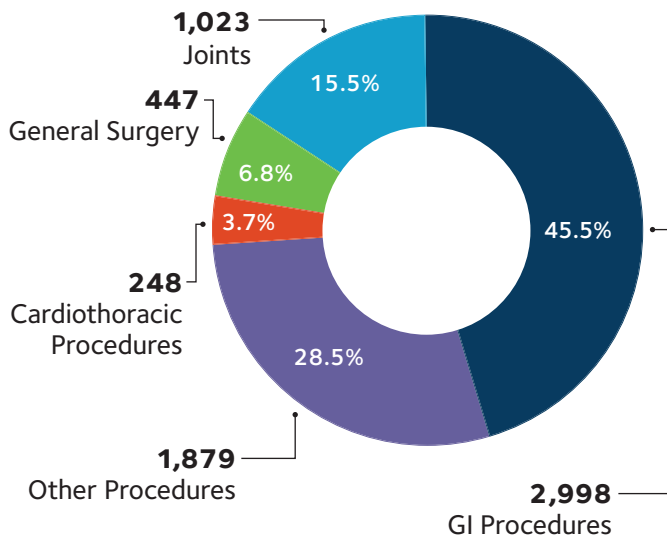
## Emergency Department Visits

Our Emergency Department treated **7,229 patients**, ensuring rapid access to care when it mattered most.



## Surgeries & Procedures

Across all specialties, **6,595 surgeries and procedures** were performed, helping patients return to mobility and independence.



## Additional Impact Highlights



- 77,318** Clinic Visits
- 47,374** Outpatient visits supporting preventive and follow-up care
- 27,777** Behavior Health Patient Days
- 21,147** Cancer visits providing compassionate oncology care close to home
- 3,043** Acute discharges reflecting coordinated inpatient care

# At the Heart of Our Community, Saving Lives Every Day

## Giving at a Glance



**\$4,163,497**

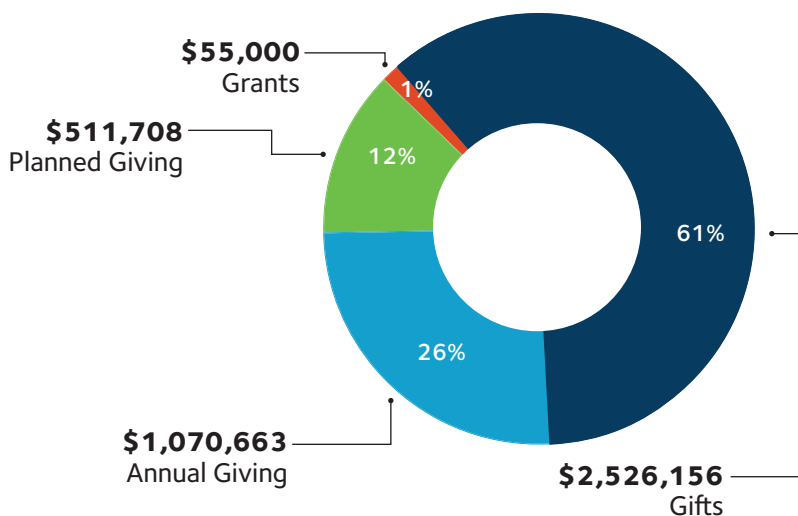
Raised for Advanced-level Care



**3,608**

Number of Gifts

Lifesaving care at St. Helena Hospital is made possible through the **generosity of our community**, including annual giving, gifts, planned giving, and grants.



## Supported Lifesaving Care & Programs

**100% of donations** directly support lifesaving care at St. Helena Hospital—ensuring our neighbors, friends, and families receive exceptional care, close to home.



**\$471,281**

Cardio & AFIB



**\$1,275,266**

Cardiovascular Progressive  
Care Unit



**\$372,882**

Mobile Health



**\$512,903**

Cancer Care & Equipment



**1,531,163**

Other Programs



*Thank you for  
bringing exceptional  
care close to home*

# Recognized for Excellence in Care

In 2025, Adventist Health St. Helena once again earned the **Joint Commission’s Gold Seal of Approval®** for Advanced Total Hip and Knee Replacement, recognizing the Coon Joint Replacement Institute as one of the nation’s leading orthopedic programs. Our team delivers world-class results using minimally invasive techniques and advanced technology that help patients recover faster and return to the activities they love. This award reflects not just clinical expertise, but the dedication, safety, and compassionate care that define every patient experience at Adventist Health St. Helena.



## National Recognition for Heart Care Excellence

Adventist Health St. Helena was honored with the **American Heart Association’s “Commitment to Quality” award**, ranking **third nationally** among 158 hospitals recognized. This distinction celebrates hospitals that achieved silver level or higher in at least three of the AHA’s **Get With The Guidelines®** programs, which establish evidence-based standards for care in stroke, heart failure, resuscitation, coronary artery disease, atrial fibrillation, heart attack, and cardiac arrest.

This recognition reflects our ongoing commitment to clinical excellence, guideline-driven care, and improving outcomes for every patient we serve.



# Transforming Our Front Entrance Through Generosity



Steve Herber, MD with the David and Becky Palmisano Family, and Fabio Maia, Philanthropy Manager.

This year, the front entrance of Adventist Health St. Helena was transformed into a vibrant and healing garden, thanks to the generosity of **Becky** and **David Palmisano**. Their gift reimagined the space into a peaceful, nature-filled welcome for everyone who comes through our doors.

The garden is dedicated to the memory of their granddaughter, **Coco**, whose name now lives on in a space meant to bring comfort and calm to patients and families.

We are grateful for supporters like Becky and David, whose generosity helps us create a healing environment that begins the moment people arrive.



# Together, We're Expanding Access to Life-Saving Heart Care

In 2025, our community helped bring one of the most advanced heart procedures in the nation to Napa Valley. Thanks to your support and the growing expertise of the Adventist Heart & Vascular Institute, Adventist Health St. Helena performed its first Transcatheter Mitral Valve Replacement (TMVR)—a breakthrough that expands access to lifesaving treatment, close to home.

TMVR is available at only a select number of hospitals nationwide. Now, patients throughout our region, whom are too high-risk for traditional open-heart surgery—can receive this innovative, minimally invasive procedure without traveling to far-away medical centers.

This milestone was achieved by **Leonardo Clavijo, MD, PhD, Medical Director of Adventist Heart & Vascular Institute**, and **Interventional Cardiologist Monica Divakaruni, MD**, alongside our skilled structural heart team. Together, they are transforming what's possible for patients with severe mitral valve disease.

"TMVR represents a significant advancement in our ability to care for patients with complex valve disease," said Dr. Clavijo. "We're proud to offer this leading-edge treatment option here in the Napa Valley."



Monica Divakaruni, MD and Leonardo Clvijo, MD, PhD

## Why this new treatment matters:

- Minimally invasive—no open-heart surgery
- Faster recovery and fewer complications
- Lifesaving option for high-risk patients
- Access to advanced care in our own region

The addition of TMVR further establishes Adventist Health St. Helena as a destination for high-acuity, specialty heart care in a rural setting. It reflects an ongoing commitment to innovation, exceptional outcomes, and whole-person healing.

**Together, we're delivering world-class cardiovascular medicine—right here, where it matters most.**

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*“Transcatheter Mitral Valve Replacement represents a significant advancement in our ability to care for patients with complex valve disease,” — Dr. Clavijo.*

# Advancing Cardiac Innovation First in the Nation!

In a landmark moment for cardiac care, St. Helena Hospital's cardiac surgery team performed **the first procedure in the entire United States** as part of the NANOCLAMP AF Study, a pioneering clinical trial testing a new technology for atrial fibrillation (AF).

Led by cardiothoracic surgeon Dr. Gan Dunnington, with Dr. Aaron Kime and the hospital's advanced cardiac surgical team, the procedure marked the nation's first enrollment following FDA approval. The new nPulse™ Cardiac Surgical System, developed by Pulse Biosciences, uses nanosecond electrical pulses to create precise ablation lines in a fraction of the time required by traditional

methods—offering faster, safer, and potentially more effective treatment.

Dr. Dunnington called the experience “a remarkable step forward in how we treat AF,” noting that the device was intuitive to use and delivered outstanding precision. Hospital President Dr. Steven Herber said the achievement reflects St. Helena's ongoing commitment to advancing cardiac care and bringing the most innovative treatments to patients in the Napa Valley and beyond.

With a legacy of excellence in cardiovascular surgery, St. Helena Hospital continues to lead in delivering world-class care close to home thanks to our generous donors.



Back row, from left: Dr. Gan Dunnington (fourth) and Dr. Aaron Kime (fifth), alongside our exceptional cardiac surgery team.

# Runway for Red Funds the Creation of St. Helena Hospital's New Cardiac Unit

On May 31st, 150 women came together at an exclusive Napa Valley estate for **Runway for Red**, a sold-out celebration of fashion, community, and purpose. Hosted by **St. Helena Hospital Foundation Board Members Lauren Dickson and Elyse Walker**, with **Board Member Leslie Frank** serving as auctioneer, the event raised \$1.2 million, directly supporting the creation and opening of the Cardiovascular Progressive Care Unit at St. Helena Hospital.

The afternoon featured a runway show by Elyse Walker and high-energy live and silent auctions, but the true impact was in the lives transformed by expanded access to world-class heart care.

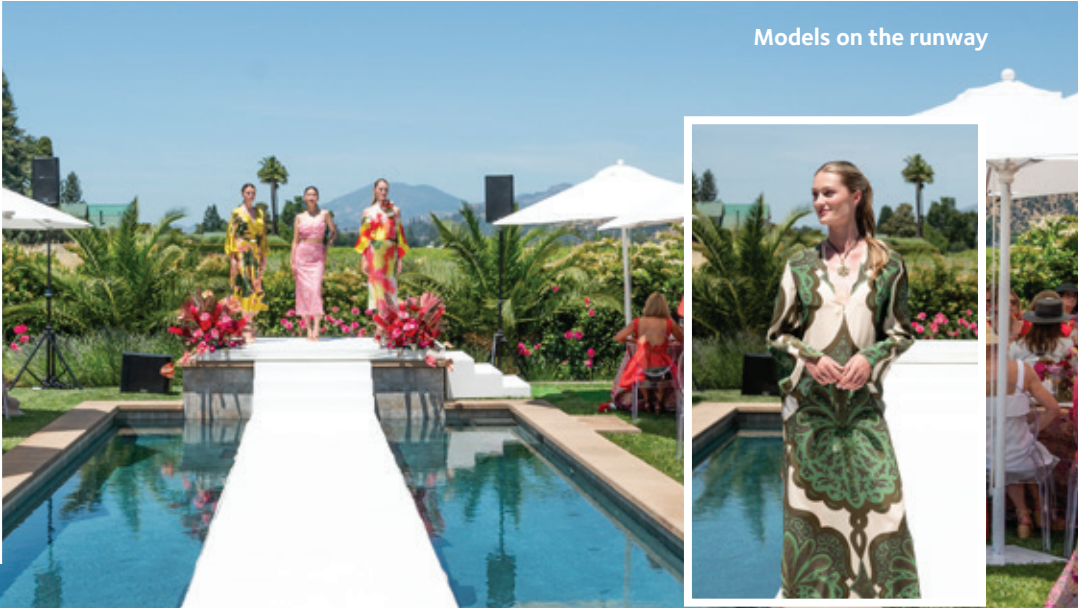
Thanks to the generosity of supporters, the Cardiovascular Progressive Care Unit now provides:

- A new care unit with private patient suites and family accommodation
- Advanced cardiac imaging and surgical technology
- 24/7 access to top cardiologists and heart specialists in the North Bay
- Patient-centered care that reflects Napa Valley's commitment to excellence

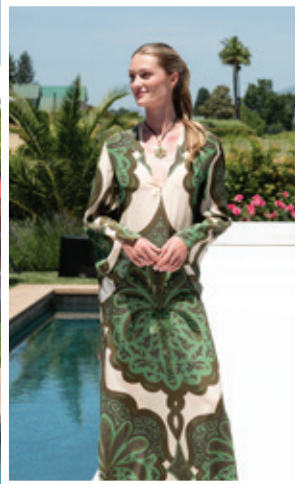
With all event costs underwritten by Lauren and Roger Dickson, **100% of every dollar raised went directly to opening the Cardiac Center**, demonstrating how the community's dedication ensures our hospital remains at the forefront of care in Napa Valley.



L to R: Leslie Frank, Lauren Dickson



Models on the runway



Model in Elyse Walker

# A Milestone Year for Heart Care



In 2025, St. Helena Hospital took a major step forward with the opening of its new 12-bed Cardiovascular Progressive Care Unit (CVPCU), a state-of-the-art space designed for advanced recovery and healing after cardiac procedures. Families now benefit from private rooms, 24/7 advanced cardiac monitoring, and a calm, supportive environment that prioritizes both comfort and safety.

This expansion strengthens the hospital's ability to care for more patients, reduces wait times, and provide world-class, compassionate care close to home.



L to R: Jim Gamble, SHHF Board Chair; Lauren Dickson; Steve Herber, MD /President AHSH; Stephanie Wallace Director, RN at ribbon-cutting ceremony.

*Thank you to our generous supporters of the Cardiovascular Progressive Care Unit, advancing excellence in cardiac care and recovery.*

# Neighborhood Table Brings Community Together to Support Mobile Health in Napa Valley



**M**ore than 400 attendees came together on May 17th for the Neighborhood Table—our beloved Napa Valley tradition filled with unforgettable food, music, dancing, and community spirit. Thanks to the energy and generosity of everyone who joined us, the event raised an incredible **\$236,700** in support of the St. Helena Hospital Foundation’s Mobile Health team, Mobi. These vital funds will help expand essential healthcare services for adults, families, and vulnerable residents across our region.

Guests also made an immediate impact: each ticket provided 250 pounds of fresh produce to neighbors facing food insecurity, a powerful reminder that every person at the table helped nourish our community in more ways than one.

We were honored to celebrate the legacy of Elaine M. Jones, our visionary founder and former Board Member, whose leadership has helped raise nearly \$1 million for local causes since 2019. This sold-out gathering was a heartfelt tribute to her impact—and a shining example of what happens when Napa Valley shows up for one another.

**Thank you to everyone who attended, supported, danced, donated, and lifted this mission higher.** Because of you, the Mobile Health team can continue delivering care, compassion, and hope to those who need it most.



**neighborhood table**<sup>®</sup>  
NOURISHING OUR COMMUNITY



# Bringing Care to the Community: Mobile Health Served in 2025



## MOBILE HEALTH IMPACT | 2025



### Medical

Number of Clinics/Events.....	145
Number of Vaccines Administered (COVID, FLU, RSV)....	1,936
Number of Health Assessments.....	1,049
Number of Sport Physicals (Approx.).....	100



### Fresh Food Distribution

Amount of Food Distributed (lbs.).....	62,123
Number of Households Served .....	4,501
Total Individuals Served.....	18,446

*A special thank-you to our community partners, Community Action Napa Valley, whose support strengthens our food distribution program.*

Above photo: L to R: Noemi Mauricio Jimenez , Natalie Manrique Gonzalez, Yesenia Gutierrez

# Napa 750 Driving Passion. Fueling Care.

**T**hrough the vision and generosity of **Rick Kaufman**, more than **\$150,000** has been raised for the **St. Helena Hospital Foundation**—strengthening life-saving care for the community he has called home for nearly five decades.

In 2020, Rick, a Napa Valley resident and longtime automotive enthusiast, partnered with his lifelong friend Aaron Hagar to create the **Napa Valley 750: The Wine Country Road Rally**. Drawing on decades of rally experience and a deep appreciation for Northern California, Rick transformed a personal passion into a philanthropic event that benefits patients and families close to home.

Each spring, a select group of vintage sports and race cars travel nearly 750 miles through Northern California’s wine country during a four-day, non-competitive rally.

**In 2025, the Napa Valley 750 once again designated the St. Helena Hospital Foundation as the event’s primary beneficiary**, with participants from across the country driving iconic cars such as Ferrari, Jaguar, Porsche, Shelby, and Morgan in support of life-saving care for the local community.

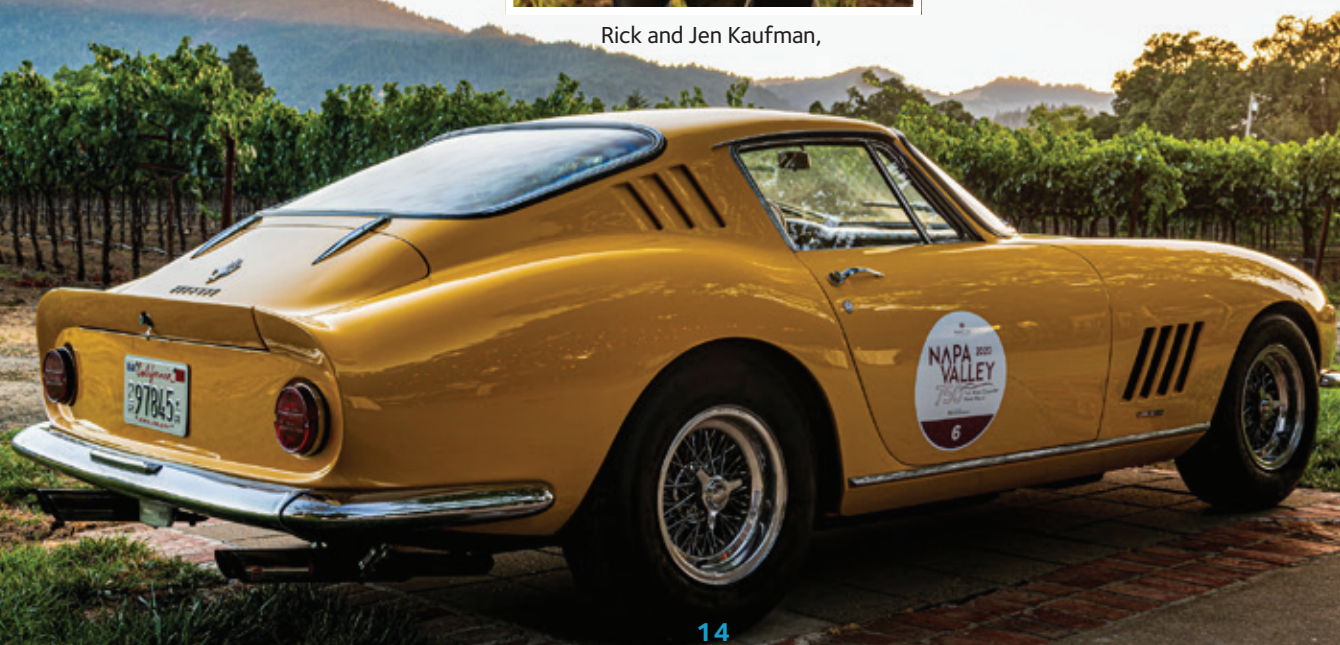
“Rick Kaufman’s leadership and the generosity of Napa Valley 750 participants have made a meaningful difference for our hospital,” said Dr. Herber, President AHSH. “Their support directly

advances our cardiology program and the life-saving care we provide.”

Rick’s commitment to giving back continues to drive the Napa Valley 750 forward—proving that when passion is paired with purpose, the impact can be felt far beyond the road.



Rick and Jen Kaufman,



# A Grateful Patient Story: Mike's Journey

**N**o one expects to hear the words, “You need open-heart surgery.” For Mike Cobb, that moment came this year—disrupting an active, healthy life and underscoring the importance of having exceptional care close to home.

Mike and his wife, Patty, moved to St. Helena three years ago, drawn by the close-knit community. Like many who live in rural areas, they shared a quiet concern: what would happen if their local hospital ever closed?

They didn't expect to find out so soon.

During a routine physical, Mike's physician detected a heart murmur and referred him to St. Helena Hospital cardiologist Dr. Monica Divakaruni. Despite Mike's fitness—including regular gym workouts and a 575-mile Camino de Santiago trek—tests revealed he needed both an aortic valve replacement and a coronary artery bypass.

The news was daunting, but Dr. Divakaruni's reassurance made all the difference. Reviewing his angiogram, she simply said, “Don't worry. I've got you.”

From surgery through recovery in the ICU and cardiac unit, Mike experienced seamless, compassionate care supported by advanced technology and a highly skilled cardiovascular team—care made possible through local



Mike Cobb

philanthropy. Even small comforts, like meals that felt familiar and close to home, reinforced that he was in the right place.

After returning home, Mike experienced temporary blurred vision, a known post-surgical complication. Expecting a long, impersonal follow-up, he instead reached Dr. Divakaruni immediately. “Go to the ER,” she said. “They'll be waiting.” And they were.

Within weeks, Mike's strength returned—first half a block, then a full one, then 11 miles.

Today, Mike speaks with deep gratitude for a community hospital made strong by philanthropy—support that sustains expert teams across cardiovascular, cancer, orthopedic, and stroke care, and keeps lifesaving technology close to home.

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*I wake up every day feeling lucky to be alive. Lucky for this community. Lucky for this hospital. And lucky for the people who give to keep it strong. — Mike Cobb*

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His story reflects what philanthropy makes possible: exceptional care, right where it's needed most—one patient, one family, one life at a time.






# Volunteer Services Impact



2025 Volunteers St. Helena Hospital

This year, our volunteers elevated patient care, supported clinical teams, and brought warmth to every corner of the hospital. From Ambassadors guiding visitors and Cancer Center support easing anxious moments, to Friendship Paws brightening days and our Big Oak Gift Shop team—their presence made a difference everywhere.

### 2025 BY THE NUMBERS

-  **142**  
Volunteers participated in events on and off campus.
-  **55**  
Active volunteers on campus
-  **13+**  
Volunteer shifts covered daily
-  **16,000+**  
People assisted
-  **410**  
Pet therapy visits

*Each number represents a moment of care—  
a conversation, a comforting smile, a helping hand that changed someone’s day.  
Thank you to our volunteers: you are the heart of our hospital.*



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*“Wherever the art of medicine is loved,  
there is also a love of humanity.”*

— Hippocrates

