

A N N U A L G I V I N G

A Symphony of Sharing

*Building a healthier
community today*



ANSWERING A SPECIAL NEED



In 1947, the hard-working people of Blount County answered a very special need. They donated labor, materials and funds to establish a non-profit community hospital. The hospital was named

Blount Memorial to honor those Blount

Countians who have died in the line of duty, those missing in action and those who served and continue to serve our country.

Today, the hospital built by the community for the community continues to provide quality health care **close to home** to the people of East Tennessee. To accomplish this mission, Blount Memorial Hospital is continuously upgrading and expanding services, equipment, facilities and technologies. ◆

Blount Memorial is dedicated to meeting future challenges in the health care industry with steady growth and unparalleled service to our community. Since the hospital is a not-for-profit organization, it receives no federal, state or local tax dollars to supplement patient revenue; however, meeting this goal is difficult. That is why Blount Memorial is constantly looking for solutions to those challenges, which have decreased the funds available for capital improvements and other special projects.

Sharing in the Solution

The Blount Memorial Foundation was established in 1989 and exists to support the mission and goals of Blount Memorial Hospital by providing financial support and advocacy for programs that improve the health and well-being of the entire community, specifically the underserved and uninsured.

The Foundation Advisory Board is a group of over 25 community volunteers who provide a link between Blount Memorial Hospital and the people of our community through fund raising, hospital programs and other activities. With their efforts to provide the necessary resources, Blount Memorial can continue to fulfill its mission of providing quality health care and responding to changing needs in our region.

About Friends of the Foundation

The Friends of the Foundation is a group of individuals who care about Blount Memorial and share in the hospital's commitment to provide quality health care services to our community. Members contribute \$100 or more annually to the Blount Memorial Foundation. These funds are directed by the Foundation Advisory Board to support programs and expansion projects for the hospital.

Just as our friends and neighbors answered a pressing need back in 1947 by building a hospital, you can answer a special need today by helping to build an even better Blount Memorial. Your tax-deductible gift is vital to the success of our effort to continue Blount Memorial Hospital's tradition of health care excellence in the Blount, Loudon and Monroe County area of East Tennessee.

Unrestricted dollars for this purpose make it possible for the board to encourage new program development or to sustain the growth of quality programs already in place such as:

The Blount Memorial Cancer Center

The Hospice Mercy Fund

The Family Birthing Center

In Appreciation Of Your Membership

Choose to contribute to the good health of your community by making an annual financial gift to the Blount Memorial Foundation. By completing the attached reply card and returning it with your contribution, you will become a member of Friends of the Foundation.

In recognition of your membership:

- Your name will be listed with the names of other Friends of the Foundation on a permanent plaque in the hospital.
- You will receive a personalized item recognizing each year's contribution to the Blount Memorial Foundation.
- You will be an invited guest at an annual reception recognizing the Friends of the Foundation.
- Your name will appear in *Sharing*, Blount Memorial Foundation's donor recognition publication.
- You will gain the satisfaction of supporting your community hospital.

For more information about Annual Giving and the Blount Memorial Foundation, please call 865-977-5727.



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