

The Comfort Of Generosity

New bassinets and sleeper couches help families enjoy their first moments together.

On the day a child is born, everything changes in the lives of that family. From the moment labor starts to the moment a new mom enters the delivery room, every experience is memorable. Because these moments are important, Parkview Huntington Foundation donors helped make the Family Birthing Center more comfortable for families at Parkview Huntington Hospital with simple, but important renovations.

Labor and post-labor care can last days. Before the renovations, mothers would remain

comfortable in their beds, but fathers or other family members would sleep in a chair. Often, this could make for uncomfortable nights. Now, new parents sleep better and wake up happier. There are new floors, walls and re-tiled bathrooms in every room, as well as more comfortable sleeper couches for family members to use.

Of course, the smallest family members were not forgotten in these improvements. Newborns also have new beds of their own. For

the first time in 16 years, newborn bassinets were replaced with eight brand new bassinets. The bassinets are comfortable and more attractive, with a beautiful wood grain finish and plenty of added storage space, for both parents and staff to use.



Transforming lives in the Family Birthing Center starts on day one and that means creating an atmosphere where new parents can feel comfortable and safe. Marcy Faurote, Clinical Supervisor for the Family Birthing Center, took part in evaluating the center's needs so they could be better prepared to provide excellent care and superior comfort for the mother, baby, and rest of the family throughout their stay. Faurote says she and her co-workers are "moved every time an infant is comforted." She also shared that

everyone feels a sense of satisfaction, "when a mother thanks us for her care or her baby's care."

Donor generosity plays a large role in giving the staff the motivation to keep moving forward and offering the excellent care Parkview Health seeks to provide.

"Generosity is a vote of confidence," said Faurote, "that inspires us to continue to provide the best care possible."

The generosity provided by local donors and the compassion provided by the staff work together to push the quality of care to the next level at Parkview Huntington Hospital. Although

the renovations and new bassinets may go unnoticed compared to the welcoming of a new life, the memories created in each room will last a lifetime.

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Supporting the Present and Future Huntington County

At Parkview Huntington Hospital, current college students have been given a rare opportunity. They have been allowed to work side-by-side with Parkview professionals to gain valuable medical experience and knowledge they can use to improve the community in the future. Students from area universities are immersed in an actual hospital environment during their undergraduate studies, and mentored by Parkview professionals.

Students receive hands-on training on a range of equipment they could use when on the job. Two important pieces of equipment they are trained to use are Parkview Huntington's new state-of-the-art EKG and EEG units, provided by Parkview Huntington Foundation. EKG Units are designed to monitor the heart and the EEG Units are designed to monitor brain activity. They would not be available without



85 clinical nurses at Parkview Huntington Hospital benefit from donor support. Among them are (pictured clockwise from above): Susan Funk and Heather Cearbaugh; Beth Crist and Becky Bolinger; Beth Donley and Wendy Grooms.



the many generous donations

to Parkview Huntington Foundation. Both of these machines are vital to ensuring the proper diagnosis and treatment for patients. Through their generosity, donors fund the students' experiences and their participation in this unique opportunity offered at Parkview Huntington.

Gary Randle, Manager of Diagnostic Imaging at Huntington, says the health and care of patients have always been Parkview's first priorities. Randle, a former college professor, sees many benefits to immersing students in a hospital environment. "I'm a very high proponent of clinical practice," said Randle. "There's nothing like doing the job."

Students undergo an observation period at the beginning of their semester-long experience with Parkview. They gradually grow more comfortable in a hospital environment and are able to expand their skills. Not only does having the most current technology available to care for patients benefit those in the community, it also provides an opportunity to educate young, aspiring students looking to work in healthcare, ideally in Huntington County.

Caring for the health of Huntington County in the present and educating students for the future -- that is how Parkview Huntington Hospital and donors to Parkview Huntington Foundation help keep Huntington a great community in which to live.

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