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Our Mission:

To raise funds to support Island Health and its commitment to community health.

The first half of the year has been an exciting and productive time for Island Health Foundation!

In this, our Spring 2025 Newsletter, we're thrilled to share updates on several major developments, including the impact of philanthropical support for new services like orthopedics and surgical services.

We're also continuing to invest in vital ongoing programs, such as the Community Paramedicine Program and Emergency Department Patient Navigator, medical relief grants and health education.

A special highlight of the year so far is the record-breaking success of our **22nd Annual Gala of Hope**. We are deeply grateful to every individual and business that contributed to this important event.

Your generosity helps keep our small public hospital at the forefront of innovation and care. **The future is truly ours — and it's brighter than ever!**

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Island Orthopedics NOW OPEN!

Island Health Foundation is proud to support the purchase of new equipment to support the opening of the NEW Island Orthopedics Clinic. It is located at 2720 Commercial Avenue.



Pictured: Ryan Myers, MD, Jennifer Reem, DO, Eric Secrist, MD

Coming Soon! Barto Gift Makes Renovation a Reality

Thank you to longtime IHF supporters Jerry and Jan Barto for their incredibly generous donation which will fund the renovation of the former Island Health Sleep Wellness Center.

Island Specialty Clinic is projected to open August 2025!



22nd Street "Barto Building"
Island Pulmonology and Island Urology



Thank you to HF Sinclair who recently provided grant funding to sustain this important program!

Pictured: Steve Monrad, Community Paramedic & Andrea Petrich, HF Sinclair

Steve also provides follow-up for those who have been discharged from Island Health with the goal of trying to reduce unnecessary admission and re-admission. Monrad works closely with Lauren Niven, MSW, Island Health Emergency Department Case Manager.

Community Paramedicine Program Making an Impact

In July of 2021, Island Health, in partnership with the Anacortes Fire Department, launched the **Community Paramedic Program (CPP)**.

The program, designed to be proactive to the medical needs of community members and at the same time, reduce the number of 911 calls made by some of the system's most frequent callers, continues to be incredibly successful.

As the community paramedic, Steve Monrad is able to more directly attend to the needs of individuals, whether it be helping them get their prescriptions, walker or other medical equipment, or ensuring their living environment is safe and healthy.

LAST YEAR, THE COHORT OF PATIENTS SERVED BY THE CPP SAW A REDUCTION IN 911 CALLS FROM 201 CALLS PRIOR TO INTERVENTION, TO 96 AFTERWARD—A 52% DECREASE.

Planned Giving Lunch held June 5

Island Health Foundation hosted a planned giving lunch in early June. A big thank you to panelists John Manni, Esq., Neli Espe, Esq., Elliott Johnson, CFP, Troy Kunz, CFP, AAMS, and Desha Furin, CPA, for a great presentation!

There are many ways you can support your community's health and well-being, today and well into the future. To learn more about legacy and alternative forms of giving, scan the QR Code above.



4 ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF GIVING

DONOR-ADVISED FUND

A flexible charitable giving account that lets donors recommend grants to nonprofits while receiving tax benefits.

IRA (QCD) CHARITABLE ROLLOVER

A tax-free way for individuals 70½ or older to donate up to \$100,000 annually from their IRA directly to charity.

BEQUEST - WILLS & TRUSTS

Leave a legacy by including Island Health Foundation in your will or trust.

STOCK TRANSFER

A donation of appreciated securities directly to a nonprofit, allowing donors to avoid capital gains taxes and receive a charitable deduction.

IHF Celebrates Physicians on Doctor's Day

Island Health Foundation was honored to celebrate Doctor's Day on March 30, 2025. The week before Doctor's Day, we shared stories about five of our amazing physicians (see photos below). Generous donors helped us celebrate even more doctors through donations and heartfelt messages. It's clear that Island Health is more than a hospital—it is a pillar of our community. Our doctors are part of the fabric of our town. They see you in the grocery store, at church, at the post office. They coach your kids' sports teams, volunteer in schools, and support local organizations. They are committed to ensuring that you and your loved ones receive exceptional, compassionate care without having to travel long distances. Thank you for helping us honor their incredible work!



Brock Boehm, DO
Urology



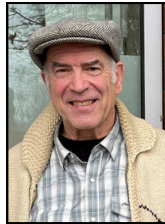
Kathleen Garde, MD, FACOG
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Paul Hammer, MD
Psychiatry



Ron Pinson, DMD, MS
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon
Retired 2013

Are you interested in making a one-time donation?



Scan here or visit
www.myihf.org/donation

More ways to give!

Consider making an impact through an alternative form of giving, such as:

- A donor-advised fund
- A donation of stock
- Including IHF in your estate
- IRA rollover (QCD)

To learn more about other qualified charitable donations, please contact Island Health Foundation today!

GRATEFUL PATIENT QUOTES

- *Thank you for helping me make my dream of motherhood a reality.*
- *We think IH is the best hospital and clinic.*
- *Everyone on staff, thank you for your kindness and care.*
- *I appreciate the outstanding care provided by Island Health.*
- *I love all the staff at Island Health—caring and professional.*
- *So many of us are grateful for your knowledge and kindness.*



Pictured: Dr. Boehm (Urologist) and Surgical Staff after first robotic surgery with da Vinci 5 surgical robot

Surgical Robot Arrives at Island Health

"With the da Vinci 5 surgical robot, our surgical team will literally have the latest and greatest technology at our fingertips. What it will mean for our patients? Less pain, quicker recovery, minimal scarring, and better patient outcomes.

Simply put, the surgical robot will help us save lives. This community deserves this technology, and we need this robot at Island Health."

Dr. Brock Boehm, Urologist



TWENTY SECOND

GALA OF HOPE

Scan the QR code below to watch the 22nd Annual Gala of Hope Heartstrings video!



Supporters of the 22nd Annual Gala of Hope, *Back to Black*, raised an impressive gross total of **\$725,443!** With the help of two matching gifts, guests raised \$454,390 through the "Heartstrings" Raise the Paddle in support of the multi-specialty da Vinci 5 surgical robot.

2025 Philanthropy Award Recipients

Island Health Foundation honored these amazing individuals and businesses as our 2025 Philanthropy Award Winners at the Gala.



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Service Club Recipient



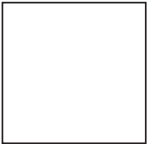
HF Sinclair
Business Recipient



Pati Dever
Individual Recipient



Mike Ward
Volunteer Recipient



Thank you for championing healthcare close to home.

We're incredibly grateful to the following businesses for their support as 2025 Gala of Hope Sponsors and Community Care Partners.



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