


A Message from Our Chair

A man in his 70s recently showed up at our Emergency Room (ER) complaining of chest pains. The triage nurse immediately placed him in a room and arranged for an EKG, which revealed that he was having a heart attack. He needed to be transferred to Community Memorial Hospital in Ventura for a heart catheterization that could save his life. The ER team swung into action, and only 12 minutes after the patient arrived, he was in an ambulance heading there. One of our ER nurses also went with him, just in case. And it was a good thing she did.

"The patient went into cardiac arrest in transfer. The team was able to resuscitate him and successfully get him to our Ventura hospital where he had a heart procedure and is very much alive today," said Nurse Kari Worden, Clinical Supervisor of the Ojai ER. "Had this patient driven to Ventura in a private car, the outcome could have been much different. Later the Community Memorial cardiologist said that nothing he did to save this man's life would have been possible without the quick actions of the Ojai ER team."

This is one of many incredible examples of the way our hospital serves the Ojai Valley. In 2022 alone, our ER racked up 8,778 visits. Most were not as dramatic as this one, but many involved other potentially life-threatening situations, such as strokes or rattlesnake bites. Even less deadly health issues are still urgent problems that need addressing, including at night or over the weekend when you're not able to immediately contact your regular physician. And then there are our residents in our Continuing Care Center (CCC). In a typical week, five or six on average also require emergency treatment. The good news for all of us who live in the Ojai Valley is that we have a place to go — our highly rated local ER — and that gives us some peace of mind.

Imagine if there were no hospital in Ojai and people had to drive themselves all the way to the nearest city for emergency treatment. That's the situation more and more communities are facing these days as rural hospitals continue to wither away. But not in Ojai. From the gentleman with the chest pains, and others like him, to our CCC residents alive today because of a dedicated team of doctors and nurses who are on the job, staffing the ER 24 hours a day, seven days a week. And that's something for which we all can be thankful.



Tiarzha M. Taylor

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Chair
Ojai Valley Hospital Foundation

Report to the Community for 2022



YES! I want to be a partner in the support and progress of our non-profit hospital. Here is my tax-deductible gift of:

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Ojai Valley Foundation Hospital Guild Makes a Difference

Guild President, Peggy Melton, leads a group of nearly 200 members who make a difference in the healthcare of the Ojai Valley. Here are a few highlights:

- **Hooray for Hollywood** in September was the Guild's first in-person outdoor event at since the pandemic. Held at Soule Park Golf Course, numerous stars came out that night!
- **A Taste of Tuscany At Home** was the Guild's December Event with home deliveries of Italian cuisine and wine throughout the Valley. A "festa" was had by all.
- **Let's Walk** was a new twist on the annual October Classic 5k – 10k race. Community members and several of their four-legged friends came dressed for Halloween to have fun, while promoting a healthy lifestyle by walking together on the bike path in Ojai.
- **Small Acts of Kindness** by Guild members are a way of making life brighter for our patients and staff. They include monthly flowers for the CCC, holiday gifts for our residents, organizing music and art events, serving at special luncheons, and the list goes on.

DOLLARS AT WORK
\$795,700
WAS DONATED TO THE HOSPITAL

Here are some of the items the community made possible:

- **Ongoing funding for the Emergency Department which includes physician coverage 24/7**

- **Stryker Gurney**
- **3D mammogram technology**
- **Outdoor patio furniture for our Continuing Care Center**
- **Seed money for the construction of the new Health Center**

Care By the Numbers

Community Memorial Hospital – Ojai is a vital local resource that provides invaluable support to the surrounding area.

8,788 Emergency Room Visits
37,232 Patient Days
33,110 PT Treatments
592 Admissions
25,019 Outpatient Visits
55 Surgical Procedures
108,766 Lab Tests

Financials

Financials are for the calendar year 2022.

Revenue: \$660,000

Includes Restricted & Unrestricted Gifts

Expenses: \$198,500

Contributions to Community Memorial Hospital – Ojai: \$795,700

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We are deeply grateful for the support we receive from our friends in the community. If your address has changed or if you prefer not to receive fundraising communications from us, please call 805-948-2317, and we will make the necessary correction. Ojai Valley Hospital Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. Federal ID# 20-1982135.

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