

Thank You!

For transforming lives at Summa Health



Dear Summa Health Supporters,

Thank you! With your generous support, Summa Health's Akron and Barberton Campuses were honored with the Healthgrades 2024 America's 50 Best Hospitals Award™. This achievement places us in the top 1 percent of hospitals nationwide, recognizing our commitment to exceptional clinical performance and patient outcomes.

Your generosity has been a driving force behind this achievement. Because of you, we have been able to enhance the patient experience, empower clinical excellence and transform the lives of those we serve. For this, we are profoundly grateful.

This report features the stories of four inspiring Summa Health patients—Daniel, DeeDee, Lacey and Raseam—whose journeys reflect the difference your kindness makes. Each story is a testament to hope and healing, shaped by your belief in our mission and commitment to compassionate care. Thanks to you, these patients, along with countless others, have experienced life-changing transformations.

From all of us at Summa Health, thank you for your generosity. Your continued support strengthens our ability to provide the highest quality, compassionate care. Thank you for being a vital partner in our journey.



Summa Health continues to build its reputation as a destination for compassionate, high-quality care. Our numerous awards, recognitions and accreditations reflect the powerful impact your support has on our ability to serve the community.

For more information, visit summahealth.org/awards.

Together, we're transforming healthcare for our communities



State-of-the-art facilities, equipment and technology

Thanks to your generosity, we are able to meet important medical needs from the routine to the complex, by investing in state-of-the-art facilities, equipment and technology. For example, the Juve Family Behavioral Health Pavilion offers compassionate, specialized care for those facing behavioral health challenges—demonstrating your commitment to mental health. Similarly, the Summa Health Wound Care and Hyperbaric Medicine Center, with its 14 private exam rooms and three hyperbaric chambers, highlights the strides we can make together in advancing care.



Lifesaving research right here in our backyard

At Summa Health, we are focused on the healthcare of today and preparing for the medical breakthroughs of tomorrow. Through the Summa Health Center for Clinical Inquiry, we are offering evidence-based practice workshops in collaboration with The Ohio State University Fuld National Institute for Evidence-Based Practice. These immersive learning experiences help to enhance the skills of our nurses, empowering them to provide the highest level of care.



Continued education for the caregivers of tomorrow

Summa Health is committed to the next generation of healthcare professionals. Smart Start is an initiative that provides scholarships and career advancement opportunities for aspiring nurses and medical technicians. In partnership with local colleges, we are helping our dedicated employees advance their careers and achieve their dreams of becoming associate registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, medical assistants, respiratory therapists and surgical technicians.



Medical care for all those in need

At Summa Health, healthcare is accessible to all. Whether a medical challenge is minor or life-threatening, we provide clinically excellent care for every patient. We are dedicated to delivering the highest-quality, compassionate care to every member of our community—regardless of their ability to pay. In 2023 alone, Summa Health provided \$54.7 million in charity care and subsidized health services to local residents in need.

your impact

Real stories of hope and healing



Daniel's story – Finding a pathway back to a fulfilling life

"I have a mental illness. I suffered with traumatic stress as a child and up into adulthood... Mental illness doesn't take a vacation and Summa's helping me to live with that."

Daniel has found solace in facing the challenges of mental illness and progressed in his healing journey thanks to the compassionate care he received at the Summa Health Behavioral Health Institute. With the expert care of Dr. Todd Ivan and Dr. Ellen Harrington, Daniel is not only managing his illness but also reclaiming the vibrant life he deserves, step by step.



DeeDee's story – Discovering sanctuary in the face of adversity

"I could not have gotten through this journey without that wraparound service from Summa."

When DeeDee faced the daunting news of her breast cancer diagnosis, your support surrounded her with the comprehensive care she needed at the Dr. Gary B. and Pamela S. Williams Breast Center. The emotional support from our dedicated social workers, the tailored guidance from our expert nutritionists and the financial counsel to navigate unforeseen challenges all played a meaningful role in her journey.



Lacey's story – Empowering her journey through motherhood

"When I first started in the program, I knew nothing about pregnancy, and at the end of Centering, I was confident in myself as a mother. CenteringPregnancy® has been like a godsend to my life."

Thanks to you, Lacey's journey through motherhood began with the empowering embrace of Summa Health's CenteringPregnancy® Program. Your generosity helps sustain this impactful program, offering classes on nutrition, newborn safety and vital health checks for moms who need that extra boost of care.



Raseam's story – Turning around his life for the better

"The Summa Health Equity Center has really helped me turn my life around for the better. Thanks to Summa, I can be here for my kids, and that means the most to me right now."

Raseam's journey to better health and well-being, surrounded by the love and respect he felt from our dedicated team, demonstrates the impact you make. Because of you, he experienced a holistic support system that uplifted him in times of need.

We invite you to discover the full impact of your generosity. Scan the QR code to hear Daniel, DeeDee, Lacey and Raseam share their transformative experiences at Summa Health and witness firsthand the powerful difference your support makes.



Our Future

Please visit summahealth.org/future for the latest information about the future of Summa Health. This website will be updated as new developments arise.

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