



The Impact of A Vintage Affair

AT CHILDREN'S NATIONAL HOSPITAL

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A Partnership for Lifetimes

Serving the nation's children for more than 145 years, Children's National is proud to be a nationally-ranked health system and innovator in pediatric healthcare. The story behind our hospital's success, however, is very much tied to the close partnerships it has forged over the years. One partner, in particular, has been alongside Children's National since the start of its remarkable journey and has played an important role in making this impact possible — the Board of Visitors.

From humble beginnings in 1870, when 20 women pledged their time and energy to furnish Children's Hospital with 12 cribs and infant bedding, to the present, where the Board of Visitors' commitment has helped Children's National become a top-ten ranked health system and #1 for Neonatology— this multi-faceted organization has remained dedicated as ever, generating significant support for the hospital's programs and new initiatives through the Annual Grants and Major Gifts Program.

Grants awarded through this program have been incredibly diverse and generous, helping the hospital address the vast spectrum of needs from our equally diverse patient population. Some notable initiatives include clinical training and simulation for our nurses and physicians; improving the patient experience for the children we care for through the support of the Seacrest Studios; and supporting new research and innovation programs to help advance care at Children's National. To date, Children's National is grateful to have received more than \$13 million in grants and major gifts from the Board.

Each year, Children's National provides care to more than 600,000 patient visits for infants, children, and adolescents through our extensive networks of community clinics, mobile health program, nursing program based in DC schools, and world-class specialty care. In tandem, our research enterprise is driving some of the most incredible



2018 A Vintage Affair Executive Director, Anne Polk, Board of Visitors President, Blair Wittmer Giannini, and 2018 A Vintage Affair Executive Director, Kim Trundle, celebrate together at the 2018 A Vintage Affair.

advancements in pediatric medicine through clinical trials and international partnerships. We will be even stronger as we transition to our new research and innovation campus at Walter Reed. As we embark on these exciting new frontiers, we are confident in our continued success thanks to the unwavering commitment of the Board of Visitors.

A Vintage Success

The Board of Visitors' signature event, A Vintage Affair, brings together epicureans and philanthropists alike, offering some of the finest wine and cuisine pairings in the city while live and silent auctions provide an exciting backdrop to inspired giving. While A Vintage Affair may only be one night each year, the funds raised and resulting impact transcends the four-hour event to make key advances in pediatric care and innovative research possible.

“While Children’s National is expanding the horizons of pediatric care and cutting-edge medicine, it’s partners like the Board of Visitors that enable us to have the resources to continue this momentum. For this we are deeply grateful.”

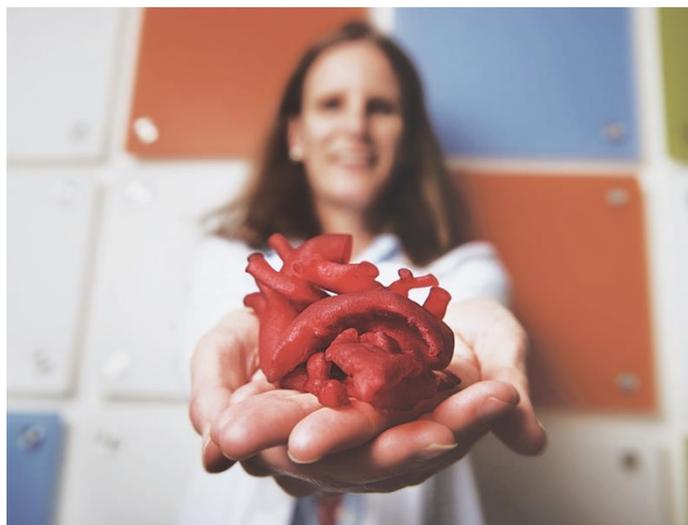
- Kathy Gorman, M.S.N., R.N., F.A.A.N.
E.V.P., Patient Care Services and Chief Operating Officer

On April 28, the Board of Visitors celebrated their 21st anniversary of A Vintage Affair with 750 in attendance and successfully raising more than \$1 million, benefiting Children’s National through the Annual Grants and Major Gifts Program. We are delighted by this success and grateful for the resulting support to the hospital.

Three-Dimensional Care

As a longtime tradition of A Vintage Affair and highlight of the evening, the Board of Visitors select one key project to be the recipient of funds generated by Raise the Paddle. This year, the Board selected the 3D Heart Model Program, Hearts for Hope, to benefit patients with congenital heart disease.

Congenital heart disease, or CHD, is the #1 birth defect, affecting one in every 100 babies born. Each year 20,000 kids come to Children’s National in need of specialized care for this condition. The 3D Model Heart Program allows us to get closer to the “heart of the condition” through the use of our 3D printer and 3D modeling lab.



Cardiologist Dr. Laura Olivieri proudly displays a 3D heart model produced by the 3D printer at Children’s National.

With this state-of-the-art lab, we are able to use images of the heart from an MRI, CT or echo to replicate the hearts of individual patients into 3D models. These models can then be printed on the 3D printer, or they can be displayed on a custom app, enabling us to study the makeup and unique features of each child who comes through the doors of our Heart Institute. Remarkably, a 3D model can actually help us predict how sick or how well a patient with CHD will be based on the structure of his or her special heart. This makes congenital heart disease one of the perfect conditions to use 3D printing.

As we peer into the future, the ultimate goal of the 3D Heart Model Program is to produce replacement parts for different organs. While this is a relatively new field with many possibilities, what we do know is that the Board of Visitors’ generous support of the 3D Heart Model Program is helping us make significant strides towards finding new treatment options and medical solutions for children suffering from CHD.

Our Sincere Gratitude

Supporters like the Board of Visitors have helped propel Children’s National into national prominence among nationally-ranked hospitals and pediatric research institutions. The futures of the children we serve through the highest quality patient-centered care and innovative research are brighter than ever thanks to the Board’s generosity. Your investments through A Vintage Affair and the Annual Grants and Major Gifts program improve their odds of overcoming health-related obstacles and reaching their fullest potential in life. Thank you for increasing the number of smiles on young faces in the nation’s capital, across the nation, and around the world.