



CalvertHealth
Foundation

2024

Year in Review

Thank you for the incredible impact you made on our community hospital in 2024.

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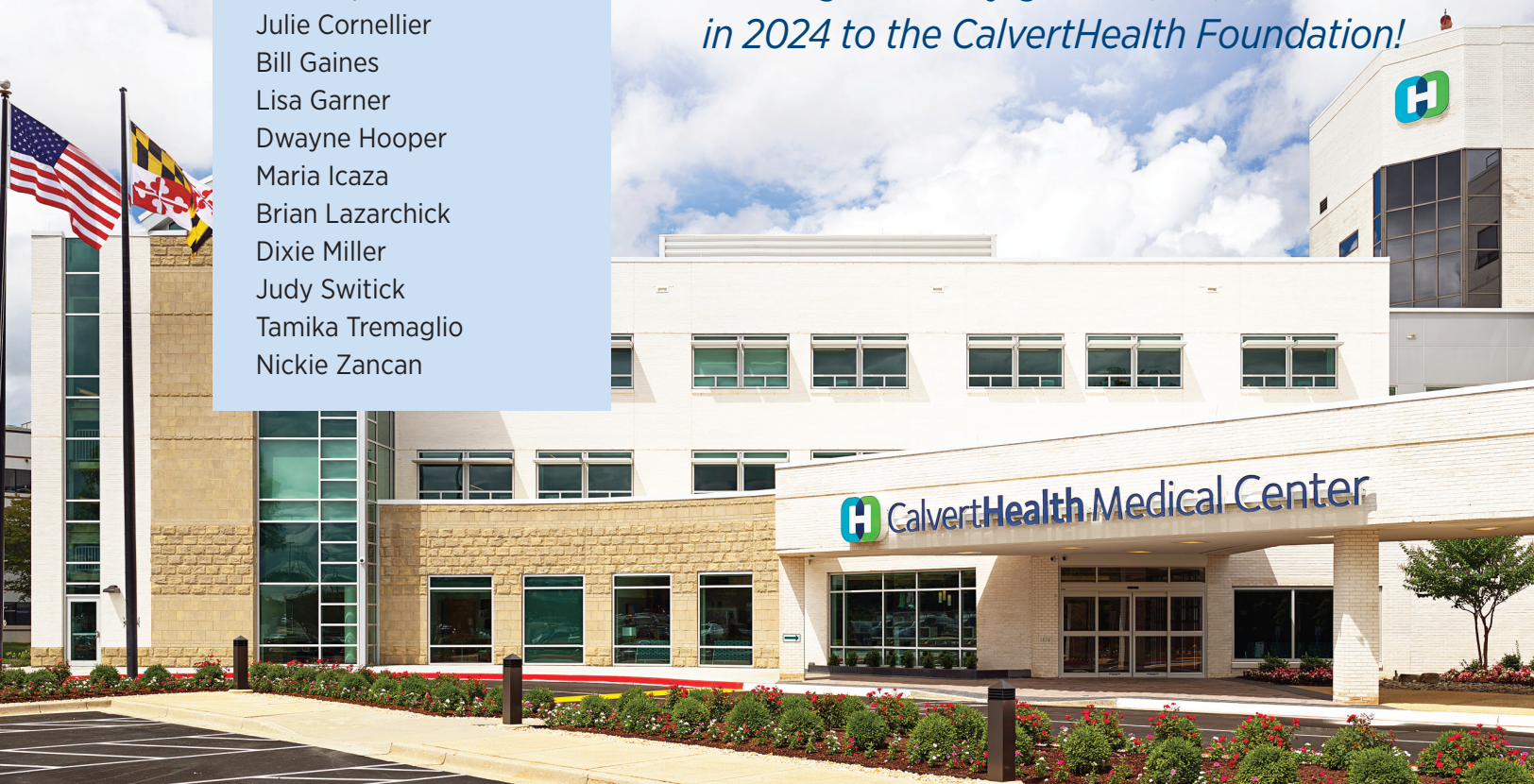
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Annually, the CalvertHealth Foundation works to support the most urgent and innovative needs of CalvertHealth Medical Center and CalvertHealth Medical Group. By bridging the needs of our patients with the generosity of the community, foundation supporters impact many programs and capital projects that enhance quality of care and increase access to expert, local health and wellness services.

In 2024, the CalvertHealth Foundation worked to support six critically important areas of philanthropic need including cancer care, the Sheldon E. Goldberg Center for Breast Care, workforce development, behavioral health programming, the Surgery Center and the Fund for CalvertHealth. The foundation saw record levels of donor participation and overall impact throughout the CalvertHealth community.

Thank you to the 1,277 individuals who generously gave \$3,331,748 in 2024 to the CalvertHealth Foundation!



CANCER CARE

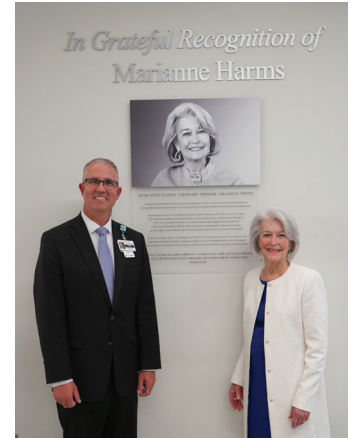
Your generosity helps ensure that expert cancer care remains accessible right here in Calvert County. With your support, we're able to bring cutting-edge advancements in clinical care directly to our oncology patients, close to home.

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

- On June 30, 2024, the CalvertHealth Foundation celebrated the completion of the *United We Thrive: Transforming Cancer Care in Calvert County* campaign which generated \$6,148,839 to support robotic surgery, cancer care endowment, MRI technology and CalvertHealth's continued affiliation with Duke Health. This was the largest fundraising campaign in the CalvertHealth Foundation's 35-year history.
- Thanks to campaign supporters, CalvertHealth was able to purchase the organization's first-ever daVinci Surgical Robot and launched the surgical robotics program in March 2024.
- The DeCesaris Prout Cancer Foundation's continued support of cancer care innovation at CalvertHealth helped to educate 70 providers at a local continuing medical education opportunity presented by Duke Health on Thursday, September 12, 2024, *Updates in Lung Cancer: From Prevention and Screening to Survivorship*.
- The medical center conducts nearly 2,000 MRI screenings annually. With Calvert County's high incidences of cancer, the need for modern equipment is critical for detecting and diagnosing cancer. An anonymous, generous supporter of the campaign provided a gift to purchase new MRI technology for CalvertHealth, launching in 2025.



- On December 13, 2024, the Next Step Charitable Trust presented the CalvertHealth Foundation with a check for \$40,246 from their annual Pink and Blue Tournament. This generous gift will support CalvertHealth's new cancer research and clinical trials program.
- The medical center surgical waiting area was named in honor of Marianne Harms, chair of the Cancer Care Campaign, foundation board member, and faithful advisor, supporter, and friend of the CalvertHealth Foundation.



SHELDON E. GOLDBERG CENTER FOR BREAST CARE

The Sheldon E. Goldberg Center for Breast Care holds a special place in the hearts of many Foundation supporters. Thanks to their generosity, the Center's impact continued to grow in 2024, enhancing care for patients in our community.

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

- A record-breaking 1,037 participants supported the 2024 Breast Cancer 5K Run/Walk held on October 19, 2024, on beautiful Solomons Island. The event generated \$180,000 to support the center



and continues a beloved community tradition of gathering to walk in honor or memory of those impacted by breast cancer.

- The CalvertHealth Auxiliary gift shop, Thrifty Ladies Thrift Shop, and special fundraising efforts resulted in the auxiliary's gift of \$51,000 in support of the operation of the Breast Center.
- The 2024 Rising Stars demonstrated the power of youth philanthropy and their dedication to giving back to the Calvert community, specifically the Sheldon E. Goldberg Center for Breast Care. Maggie Bradford and Abby Denison, students at Northern High School, hosted a Pink Out event at a Northern High School football game generating a Rising Star record-breaking gift of \$11,000! More than \$4,000 in support was also received from Calvert High School Volleyball, St. Mary's Ryken Volleyball, Plum Point Middle School National Junior Honor Society, Calvert Middle School and the Calvert Middle National Junior Honor Society, and Our Lady Star of the Sea School.
- On September 7, anglers took to local waterways for the 2024 Reelin' 4 A Cause Charity Fishing Tournament, raising \$35,814 in support of the cancer program and nurse navigation services. Following a day of fishing, anglers were joined by local businesses and supporters for a festive Shore Party held at Spring Cove Marina where providers, nurse navigators, and oncology department leadership gathered to share their appreciation of tournament supporters.



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

In partnership with Sheppard Pratt, CalvertHealth delivers expanded behavioral health services to our community. As the only hospital in Southern Maryland offering both inpatient and outpatient mental health care for adolescents aged 13 to 17, we remain committed to providing vital support for our youth.

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

- The Calvert County Local Behavioral Health Authority awarded a grant of \$50,250 to provide emergency behavioral health assessment and case management services in the CalvertHealth Emergency Department. A total of 1,152 people were served in 2024.
- Continued Sheppard Pratt partnership provides clinical services and leadership at CalvertHealth Medical Center to enhance behavioral health programs and services across the CalvertHealth Network of Care.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Support for the Foundation's scholarship and education funds helps individuals pursue careers in healthcare and beyond. From tuition and books to fees and more, your generosity empowers allied health professionals, nurses advancing into leadership, non-medical staff transitioning to clinical roles, and local graduates pursuing careers in medicine.

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

- Established the Helen P. Marsellas Pathways to Education Fund, dedicated to supporting the educational pursuit of current employees of CalvertHealth pursuing their dreams of becoming a nurse and obtaining their associate degree in nursing (ADN). By offsetting the costs associated with further education, the fund ensures that future nurses can continue to grow in their careers and provide the highest standard of care to our community. In 2024, three employees were served through the Helen P. Marsellas Pathway to Education Fund.
- The Allied Health Scholarship Program awarded scholarships to five applicants who are pursuing careers in allied health fields. Awards totaled \$30,000.
- The E. Anne Spitzer Memorial Scholarship Program awarded scholarships to five medical school students pursuing medical degrees; awards totaled \$50,000.





SURGICAL SERVICES

CalvertHealth offers a wide range of surgical procedures, from complex breast cancer surgeries to advanced robotic-assisted surgery. Gifts designated for surgical services support enhanced resources, specialized equipment and innovative care across the medical center's diverse clinical specialties.

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

- The 2024 CalvertHealth Foundation Benefit Golf Classic was held on May 13 at The Cannon Club in Lothian, MD. A full field of 144 golfers enjoyed a stellar day of golf. Thirty-two participants in the annual Grapes on the Green event enjoyed sipping wine, practicing their putting skills, and shopping fine jewelry from Dickinson's Jewelers. The tournament generated a record-breaking \$111,000 to support growth in CalvertHealth's Digestive Diseases and Weight Management program, bringing the best resources to our gastroenterologists and digestive health professionals.



THE FUND FOR CALVERTHEALTH

The Fund for CalvertHealth provides undesignated philanthropic support, allowing us to respond to urgent needs as they arise.

2024 HIGHLIGHTS

- On March 29, more than 700 red carnations, donated by Floral Expressions, were delivered to local doctors in support of international Doctors' Day – an annual day for grateful patients to share appreciation to doctors and providers. Supporters made gifts of \$5 or more, creating a day of impact while putting smiles on the faces of many of our beloved providers.
- The Fund for CalvertHealth greatly impacted the ability to fund unbudgeted expenditures such as clinical training, capital items, resources for special projects and augmenting clinical staff to pilot various programs.

Melissa Carnes was recently named **Executive Director of the CalvertHealth Foundation**, bringing extensive experience in nonprofit leadership and philanthropy. Born and raised in Calvert County, Melissa is passionate about advancing the health and well-being of the community. She is dedicated to fostering relationships that drive impactful initiatives, ensuring CalvertHealth continues to deliver exceptional care. Melissa is excited to work with donors, partners and the community to build a healthier future together.



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