

# Community Involvement

## at Lee's Summit Medical Center

Lee's Summit Medical Center actively supports organizations and agencies in the community to improve quality and encourage individuals to take an active role in their healthcare. Check out our calendar to find out when Lee's Summit Medical Center will be sponsoring an event near you.

### Organizations

Here is a partial list of the many organizations who benefit from Lee's Summit Medical Center's involvement:

- American Heart Association
- American Stroke Association
- Business/Education partnership with Pleasant Lea Middle School, Great Beginnings Pre-school and Parents as First Teachers program
- Eastland Community Foundation
- Greater Lee's Summit Healthcare Foundation
- Habitat For Humanity
- Jackson County CASA
- Lee's Summit 360
- Lee's Summit Cares
- Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce
- Lee's Summit Downtown Main Street
- Lee's Summit Economic Development Council
- Lee's Summit Educational Foundation
- Lee's Summit Healthcare Education Advisory Board
- Lee's Summit Rotary Club
- Lee's Summit Social Services
- Lee's Summit Symphony
- Lee's Summit, Lee's Summit West and Lee's Summit North High School Athletic Boosters
- Lee's Summit, Lee's Summit West and Lee's Summit North Music Programs
- Legacy for Parks Foundation
- Meals On Wheels
- Project Graduation
- ReDiscover Mental Health Services
- Special Olympics
- United Way

In 2008, Lee's Summit Medical Center invested nearly \$13 million back into the community.

Lee's Summit Medical Center actively sponsors and participates in a variety of activities to help benefit the residents of Lee's Summit and surrounding communities. These include:

### Partners in Education

Lee's Summit Medical Center is proud to have a business-education partnership with Pleasant Lea Middle School, Great Beginnings and Parents as First Teachers. The hospital works closely with the administrators and teaching staff to provide programs and events which enrich the learning environment for the students. In return, the hospital staff gets the opportunity to meet the students and to participate in the development of one of our most important community resources, our children.

### Paradise Park

Lee's Summit Medical Center is proud to partner with Paradise Park and sponsor a Healthy Lifestyles Room. The room, located in the Park's Edutainment Center, features information and activities to get your kids (and you) revved up and excited about health, nutrition and staying fit. Lee's Summit Medical Center and Paradise Park are committed to the good health of the community and will work together to promote healthy living. Stop by our room next time you visit Paradise Park.

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## Kids In Hospital

Now entering the 19th year, Kids In Hospital is an educational program which introduces area 2nd graders to the hospital in a friendly and hands-on way. Every 2nd grader in the Lee's Summit school district and private schools in Lee's Summit are invited. Children get to experience the following:

- A video about working in a hospital and what to expect if you have to visit as a patient
- A tour of the hospital including the Emergency Department, Rehab and a patient room
- Hands-on experiences with:
  - x-rays
  - a microscope and "fake" blood
  - respiratory therapy
  - nutrition
- Photo taken in "medical" attire
- Make a get-well card for our patients

Kids In Hospital takes the mystery and intimidation out of visiting the hospital.

## A Taste of Lee's Summit

Continuing our commitment to education, Lee's Summit Medical Center is a signature sponsor of A Taste of Lee's Summit. This fund-raiser benefits the Lee's Summit Educational Foundation, providing grants and scholarships to programs throughout the R-7 School District.

## Habitat For Humanity

Lee's Summit Medical Center was proud to be part of the building of the first Habitat for Humanity home in Lee's Summit. HCA's "Build a Hospital, Build a Home" project provides the funding for a Habitat home in every community where they build a new hospital. Through that program, HCA funded the entire build and Lee's Summit Medical Center personnel provided the build teams for this project. This was a catalyst to get the Habitat program started in the community and allowed the hospital to be a part of providing a hand-up to a deserving family. Since that time, members of the staff have continued to participate in Habitat building projects and other activities for this important organization.

## Downtown Lee's Summit Main Street

Lee's Summit Medical Center is proud to partner with this group on several events throughout the year. The hospital provides health screenings at the Annual Chocolate Crawl to promote the importance of wellness and health education to women. In June, Lee's Summit Medical Center is the proud provider of first aid services at Downtown Days, a community celebration of Downtown Lee's Summit which hosts well over 70,000 people each year. Finally, the hospital is a signature sponsor of the Piccadilly Gala, a women-only dinner and auction that benefits the organization. Lee's Summit Medical Center is proud to partner and support this group as they work to keep the heart of the city vital and active.

## American Heart Association Start! Heart Walk

Lee's Summit Medical Center is dedicated to the fight against heart disease and stroke. As a Primary Stroke Center and Accredited Chest pain Center, the hospital works throughout the year to educate the community about the risks, signs, symptoms and treatment options for these diseases. To further that goal, the hospital is a very active participant in the American Heart Association Start! Heart Walk held in the spring. Last year LSMC raised over \$36,000 for the Heart Association and had more than 150 employees walk at the event. Our organization believes that the best treatment is prevention and will continue to work with the Heart Association and other organizations to eradicate heart disease and stroke.



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