WHO WE ARE

Lakes Regional Healthcare Foundation helps bring projects like the new Emergency Department to life by turning community generosity into lasting healthcare impact. As the philanthropic arm of Lakes Regional Healthcare, the Foundation partners with donors to provide advanced technologies and ensure access to quality healthcare. Guided by an engaged and forward-thinking board of directors and supported by numerous volunteers, LRH Foundation works with residents, businesses, and community leaders to fund items such as 3D mammography, scholarships for area students pursuing healthcare careers, the Emergency Response Ranger, several LUCAS chest compression systems, and equipment for the Birth Center, Oncology Department, ambulance service, and more.

HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

- Cash Gifts
- Gift of Grain
- IRA Charitable Rollovers
- Planned Giving
- Gifts of Real Estate
- Volunteer Your Time
- Corporate Sponsorships
- Online Donations

LEARN MORE

If you're interested in learning more about Lakes Regional Healthcare Foundation, our projects, or helping transform Lakes Regional Healthcare, we would love to connect!

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LEAVE A LEGACY

Building the Future of Emergency Care

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WHY YOUR SUPPORT MATTERS

When a stroke or cardiac event strikes or an accident happens on the lake or a winding county road, the nearest Emergency Department isn't just convenient. It's the only thing standing between life and tragedy. As a year-round or summer resident, your gift to our new Emergency Department ensures that when crisis hits close to home, expert care is ready and waiting, not miles and precious minutes away. Your generous contributions enable us to:

- Accommodate an increasing number of patients
- Improve speed to care
- Expand technology
- Enhance patient privacy
- Provide safer care for behavioral health patients
- Recruit and retain the best staff
- Adapt to evolving changes in emergency healthcare

TOTAL ESTIMATED INVESTMENT $20M

FUNDING THE VISION

LRH Cash Reserves:	LRH Debt Financing:	Tax-Deductible Donations:
$7M	**$5M**	**$8M***

*A minimum of $6M needed by November 2026.

Our current Emergency Department was built in 1993 to serve 6,500 patients annually yet already serves over 8,000 patients per year – a number projected to reach 13,000 by 2040. This dramatic growth makes a new Emergency Department not just necessary, but urgent, ensuring our community receives safe, timely, high-quality emergency care for years to come.

OUR VISION

FOR THE FUTURE OF EMERGENCY CARE

1. **IMPROVED PATIENT ACCESS AND SATISFACTION**
   The expanded Emergency Department will increase the number of rooms and triage space, which will allow quicker patient care and higher satisfaction.

2. **INCREASED PRIVACY**
   Each room, including the family consult room, will be completely private and spacious to allow family members to be with patients and allow for difficult conversations.

3. **ENHANCED CARE FOR TRENDING PATIENTS**
   Nearly 10% of LRH's Emergency Department patients are admitted for behavioral health concerns and that patient volume is increasing. The new Emergency Department will have a dedicated space for patients that is safe, private, and built specifically for them.

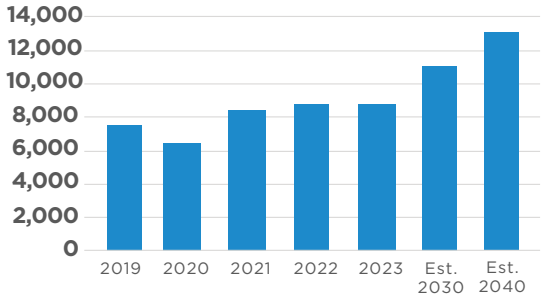
4. **EMERGENCY EMPLOYER OF CHOICE**
   The new Emergency Department will help LRH better recruit top talent to provide care to patients and families. It will also provide a higher level of security for staff and patients and expand virtual monitoring, which is a patient and staff satisfier.

The new Emergency Department is the first step in a comprehensive, long-range plan to sustain quality healthcare in the Iowa Great Lakes for generations to come. Future plans include improving the Physical Therapy, Laboratory, Imaging, and Outpatient Center departments.

LAKES REGIONAL HEALTHCARE AMBULANCE CALLS

2012	2016	2020	2025	Est 2028	Est 2040
1,659	1,727	1,962	2,303	2,508	3,215

LAKES REGIONAL HEALTHCARE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT VISITS



KEY ROOMS: Triage + Exams + Trauma

TODAY	FUTURE
8	12-15