

Community Benefit Annual Report



As part of our commitment to Adams and Weld counties and the State of Colorado, Platte Valley Medical Center addresses the most critical needs of the communities we serve with a mission of helping people live the healthiest lives possible. We were founded to address health priorities, and through strong community collaborations and thoughtful assessment of needs, we continue that work today.

Nurse Residency Program Provides Pipeline of New Nurses

In 2021, Platte Valley Medical Center developed a nurse residency program to address nursing shortages and retention. Nursing students at local schools of nursing are encouraged to apply for this competitive 18-month program. There are four phases to the residency program which gives the students access to additional mentorship and support as they complete nursing school and move into their careers.



The first cohort from the nursing residency program pictured with leadership from Platte Valley Medical Center and Intermountain Health

The first phase occurs during the students' clinical rotation in their final semester of nursing school. Phase two of the program is an expanded certified nursing assistant role that pays students as they receive more hands-on training. Phase three is a paid 12-to-16-week fellowship where students are paired with a mentor and receive intensive specialty skills training. During this time, the students are paid for a 40-hour week which includes in-class training, online training, and two 12-hour shifts with a preceptor. One of the program graduates said: "I have had a great learning opportunity and completed the Med-Surg [Medical Surgery] and Step-Down Program, which was very robust and informative. I feel more confident in my patient care and clinical skills because of the exposure I had in the program."

Nineteen registered nurses graduated from the program in 2022 and are now working in their chosen specialties.

Platte Valley Medical Center – 2022 Community Partners

- A Precious Child
- Adams County Health Alliance
- Aims Community College
- Almost Home, Inc.
- Alzheimer's Association
- Arapahoe Community College
- BAART Programs Brighton
- Benefits in Action
- Bird Conservancy of the Rockies
- Boise Cascade
- Brighton Chamber of Commerce
- Brighton Fire Rescue District

- Brighton Police Department
- Brighton Recreation Center
- Brighton School District 27
- Brothers Redevelopment
- Calvary Chapel
- Catholic Charities of Weld County
- City of Brighton
- City of Ft. Lupton
- Colorado Christian University
- Colorado Sleep Institute
- Commerce City Chamber of
- Commerce

- Community Baptist Church
- Community College of Denver
- Community Reach Center
- Community Uplift Partnership
- Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children (CASA)
- Denver College of Nursing
- Eagle View Adult Center
- Food for Hope
- Fort Lupton Chamber of Commerce
- Fort Lupton Fire Protection District

2022-2024 Community Health Priorities

Every three years Platte Valley Medical Center works with public health stake holders, community members and other health care providers to understand and assess the most important local health needs.

Based on the most recent assessment in 2021, Platte Valley has identified the health priorities that will be the focus of community benefit efforts, programs and collaborations for the coming three years.



Mental Health

Access to Healthcare

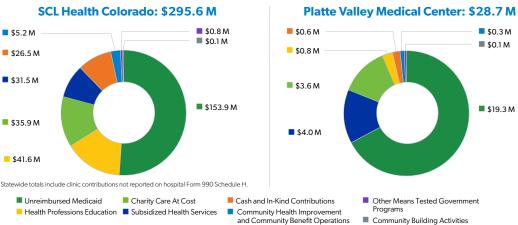
- Front Range Community College
- Grand Canyon University
- Hope @ Miracle House
- Housing Authority of Brighton
- Hudson Fire Protection District
- Lochbuie Police Department
- Mental Health First Aid Colorado
- Metalwest
- Metro State University
- Morgan Community College
- National Council on Aging
 (NCOA)

What is Community Benefit?

The IRS has federal requirements for nonprofit hospitals like Platte Valley Medical Center to report their investments in Community Benefit activities which are programs or activities that provide treatment and/or promote health and healing as a response to community needs:

- Improve access to care
- Enhance the health of a community
- Advance medical or health knowledge
- Reduce the burden of local, state, federal government, or other community efforts

2022 Community Benefit Investments



2022 By the Numbers

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Community collaborators working alongside Platte Valley Medical Center to address community health needs prioritized through the 2021 assessment



When reporting to the IRS, Community

• Unreimbursed costs for care provided

• Charity care and financial assistance for

patients who are unable to pay for care

Cash and in-kind contributions to support

Health professions education, including

clinical training for nursing, pharmacy,

identified community health needs

and other health professions

following general categories:

to Medicaid beneficiaries

Benefit investments are organized into the

Nursing, pharmacy, and other health professions students who received clinical training at Platte Valley Medical Center

Crucial hospital departments that continued offering care to the community by subsidizing health services that offset operating costs including the infusion center for cancer care, neonatal intensive care for premature and ill newborns, and wound care to speed recovery from illness and injury

- Subsidized health services, which are services provided at a loss but without which the community's access to care would suffer
- Means-tested government programs, which includes the unreimbursed care under meanstested programs like the Children's Health Insurance Plan
- Community building activities, including participating in community coalitions to advance health and physician recruitment to maintain health care access
- Research includes studies or investigations that increase knowledge made available to the public (Note: No Research investments were reported in 2022)

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Local high school students exploring healthcare careers through a Platte Valley Medical Center program that teaches skills to benefit their professional and personal lives including essential communication practices, critical thinking, working as a team, and problem solving

Platte Valley Medical Center – Community Partners 2022 (continued)

- North Range Behavioral Health
- Pennock Center for Counseling
- Project Angel Heart Project Cure
- Red Rocks Community College
- Regis University
- Richard Lambert Foundation
- Rocky Mountain Stroke Center
- Salud Family Medicine
- Shopneck Boys and Girls Club
- Southeast Weld County Chamber of Commerce
- Southeast Weld Fire Protection District
- Sparboe Farms
 - The Family Tree
 - Thriving Weld County
 - United Power
 - University of Colorado
 - University of Northern Colorado
- Via Mobility
- Vitalant
- Weld Food Bank
- Weld County School District Re-8
- Zero Suicide Collaborative