

MARY BRIDGE CHILDREN'S COURAGE.

RIDE FOR KIDS. RIDE WITH COURAGE.

100% of donor contributions to Mary Bridge Children's Courage support patient care and family support at Mary Bridge.

Mary Bridge Children's Hospital depends on the generosity of the community. 65% of children served are on Medicaid—and even the best private health insurance has gaps in coverage. Our donors are the guardian angels for countless children and families in our area. Philanthropy also funds special programs that would not be available otherwise.

Kids served at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital & Health Center in 2016 thanks to donor support:

- 250,000 hospital visits
- 39,000 emergency room visits
- 3,700 inpatient stays
- 90 children received chemotherapy and hundreds more received follow-up treatment

2016 donor-supported community program stats:

- 1,100 families stayed at Tree House
- 1,700 victims of child abuse and neglect were served at the Child Abuse Intervention Department
- 12,000 free vaccines were administered through the Mobile Immunization Clinic
- 2,683 kids with special needs received therapy at Children's Therapy Unit
- 477 kids and parents received grief support through BRIDGES: A Center for Grieving Children
- Countless lives saved through the prevention of accidental injuries through safety education, car seat installations, bike helmet checks, and providing water safety equipment and safe gun storage through the Center for Childhood Safety

For more than 60 years, Mary Bridge has been a not-for-profit hospital that has counted on support from the community to fulfill its mission of providing care to all children, regardless of a family's ability to pay. **When you support Mary Bridge, you help all children get the high-quality, compassionate care they need and deserve.**



13 Miles to Lifesaving Care at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital

In February of 2016, a toddler named Harvey went into septic shock at Madigan Army Medical Center. When his vital signs crashed, a chaplain prepared Harvey's parents, Mike and Katie, both members of the Air Force, to say goodbye to their son.

But the incredible team at Madigan did not give up on Harvey. They knew that Harvey had a chance to survive if they could get him to Mary Bridge where the life support and lifesaving care he needed awaited him. No one was sure if Harvey would survive the 13 mile journey from Madigan to Mary Bridge — but it was certain he would not survive without trying.

When Harvey's ambulance arrived at Mary Bridge, teams of doctors, nurses, technicians and specialists jumped into action. The team performed a complex surgical procedure to connect Harvey to ECMO life support in less than 20 minutes.

Then everyone waited.

Harvey's parents were told by the Mary Bridge team, "We don't know if he'll survive. We're going to do everything we can to save him. Miracles happen all the time at Mary Bridge. You just have to have hope."

30 days later, Harvey was discharged from Mary Bridge — a happy, healthy, Winnie the Pooh-loving, toddler.

Harvey's story is an extraordinary one, but it's not uncommon at Mary Bridge.

Mary Bridge has been saving children's lives for more than 60 years thanks to hardworking staff and the generosity of our community.

During the course of Harvey's 30-day stay, he was cared for by just about everyone who works at Mary Bridge — pediatric intensivists, ECMO technicians, nurses, respiratory therapists, child psychologists, child life specialists, and so many more. It took the entire Mary Bridge village to heal Harvey.

Harvey and his parents were also cared for by our generous community. The ECMO life support that saved his life was funded by Mary Bridge donors. The new Pediatric Intensive Care Unit where Harvey was treated was funded by Mary Bridge donors. Medical bills not fully covered by Harvey's insurance were paid for by Mary Bridge donors. And finally, Harvey's family was able to stay just yards away at Tree House: A Place for Families while he recovered thanks to the generosity of Mary Bridge donors.

Children want to live. We just need to give them a little help sometimes. And that's why we ride with Courage.

