



Providence Community Health Foundation

Angela Baker, MSN, RN, and her team worked with Rogue Retreat to create the process for discharging patients to the Redwood Inn. A few of the duties of her team include helping to coordinate and pick up discharge medications, coordinating home health, and supporting outpatient medical appointments or services.

Project Turnkey helps people recover safely

For people who need to be discharged from the hospital but don't have stable housing to return to, Project Turnkey aims to provide a solution.

The Oregon Legislature created Project Turnkey in 2020 to provide temporary housing for individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless or who

were displaced by wildfires that occurred that year. The Oregon Community Foundation distributes the funds and in 2021, the city of Medford received a grant to purchase and renovate the 47-room Redwood Inn in downtown Medford.

As part of the project, Providence will have two rooms reserved exclusively for Providence Medford Medical Center patients discharged from the hospital who face unstable or no housing. Thanks to your support, these decompression rooms were renovated to be appropriate for recuperative care.

While staying in a decompression room, patients will receive low-level medical care and consult with housing placement services to either connect them with another shelter or transitional housing option once they are cleared to leave. Rogue Retreat, a nonprofit that supports the homeless population, manages the hotel and works with other agencies to provide additional supportive services with the goal of moving each person into permanent housing.

"The decompression units will help medically vulnerable patients recover in a clean, safe environment with water and electricity," said nurse manager Angela Baker, MSN, RN. "In the first month, these rooms served five patients who needed oxygen, home health care and wound care. Rogue Retreat helped them into transitional housing. This not only helped to open acute hospital beds but eased the way of transition of care for these patients."

2021 Highlights

Babies get a healthy start

The first months of a baby's life are critical to their lifelong health. But the mothers of many babies born at Providence Medford Medical Center struggle to achieve consistent care for themselves and their babies. A new Providence Patient Advocate Program at Providence OB/GYN provides extra support for these underserved mothers and their babies by connecting them to resources like transportation, addiction counseling and housing. This program would not be possible without your generous support. Because of you, newborns and their families will have a healthy beginning.

Scholarships help caregivers advance their careers

Thanks to your generosity, in 2021 Providence Community Health Foundation provided 33 health care education scholarships to employees, totaling more than \$40,000. More than 75% of our scholarship recipients continue to work at Providence after earning their degree or certification. Because of your gifts, Abel Dominguez is pursuing his dreams to become a registered nurse. "When I received that first scholarship, I was super ecstatic," he said. "I felt set for the whole year. That's why I'm so happy to be part of Providence - and grateful, extremely, extremely grateful."



2021 total dollars raised by fund

