



Community Spotlight: Our Work in Allentown

St. Luke's University Health Network has a longstanding commitment to the health and well-being of Allentown, with two hospitals and numerous practice sites located in the city. Yet **our work extends far beyond the hospital walls** as we partner with schools, local businesses, and community groups to create a healthier future for all.

This eNewsletter highlights some recent successes made possible with your thoughtful support.

Thank you for all you do!



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A Stronger Heart of the City

St. Luke's Sacred Heart Campus serves many of our region's most vulnerable families, and St. Luke's is investing in their future. Since 2018, more than \$40 million has been invested to support capital improvements and community services.

We are especially grateful for the 500 local donors who are supporting this important work. Collectively, they provided \$3.2 million in charitable funding for priority projects—including construction of a Level IV Inpatient Detox Unit; new, state-of-the-art treatment areas; a renovated auditorium and community conference center; and a simulation and skills lab that will enhance care for years to come.

Campaign Highlights



Big Smiles in Allentown

St. Luke's is fortunate to have strong partners, including Star Community Health and local donors who are expanding dental care to help children and families in need. Recently, an

anonymous donor provided a significant gift that was matched by others. In total, \$500,000 was contributed.

Star Community Health's expanded, eight-chair dental clinic reopened on February 4—just in time for National Give Kids a Smile Day! This year, staff members hope to provide 12,000 dental visits, which is an increase of more than 50%!

The Expansion



Welcoming Andre to the Team

NFL Hall of Famer Andre Reed knows what it means to be part of a team. Born and raised in Allentown, Reed went on to play for the Buffalo Bills for 15 years and competed in 7 Pro Bowls and 4 Super Bowls.

Andre recently joined another winning team—St. Luke's—where he now serves as Community Ambassador, working with community partners to help kids and improve the health of the city he loves.

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A Big Win for Allentown Student Athletes

School sports benefit kids in so many ways, but many Allentown student athletes were stuck on the sidelines, unable to participate because other responsibilities kept them from completing a required sports physical after school. When St. Luke's learned about this need, our team stepped in to help by sending providers to complete physicals during the school day. Since then, the schools have seen a dramatic increase in the number of eligible participating student athletes.

Turning Problems into Solutions



A Major Expansion for Emergency Care

The St. Luke's Allentown Campus Emergency Department on Hamilton Street is already one of the busiest in the region. To accommodate a growing patient population, a major expansion is underway that will enable our team in Allentown to care for more than 70,000 patients each year. The expanded Emergency Department will open later in 2022, and we will be sharing more information as it becomes available. In the meantime, take a peek at the photo above to see how the new Emergency Department entrance will look!



St. Luke's Day at Blue Mountain Resort

Saturday, March 12: Join us on the slopes for St. Luke's Day at Blue Mountain Resort! Participants will enjoy a live band, basket raffle, and exciting live auction in the beautiful Vista Ballroom. Sponsorship opportunities are available, and proceeds will support community health initiatives that improve access to care for local residents. [Find all event details online!](#)



Charity Ball Registration is Open

Friday, May 6: For nearly two years, the Auxiliary of St. Luke's has looked forward to gathering with friends and colleagues at the 108th Charity Ball, *Wanderlove*. Be sure to bookmark [the event site](#) to find the latest information and register to attend or sponsor the event. All proceeds from the event will benefit St. Luke's Palliative Care and Hospice.



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