




Life Insurance as a Vehicle for Charitable Giving

Life insurance is often used to pay for expenses like college tuition and mortgage payments after the insured is gone. When those needs are met, another viable option is to name a charitable organization as the beneficiary of a policy.

There are several benefits for the insured. First, the cost of the premiums is paid by the donor, and oftentimes the payout of the policy exceeds the premiums paid. Naming a nonprofit the beneficiary of a life insurance policy also ensures the transaction remains private until the estate is dissolved, and transfers of assets from a life insurance policy cannot be contested.


If the donor no longer wants the insurance policy, life insurance policies can be transferred to charitable organizations. The charity can pay the premiums on the policy, or the donor can make charitable donations to the nonprofit each year to cover the cost of the policy. When the insured passes away, the entire face amount of the policy goes directly to the charity.

Before purchasing a new life insurance policy, naming a charity as a beneficiary, or transferring an existing policy to a nonprofit, it's important to speak with tax and financial advisors to determine the method and strategy that will best serve a donor's philanthropic and estate goals. If you'd like to learn more, please schedule a visit with EPH Foundation President Kevin Mullin by calling 970-577-4370 or emailing kmullin@eph.org. 




Would You Like to be Estes Park's 2022 Mrs. Rooftop Rodeo?

Yeehaw! Plans for the Rooftop Rodeo are underway, and with it, the Crowns for the Care Queens Committee is seeking volunteer fundraisers to participate in Estes Park Health Foundation's Mrs. Rooftop Rodeo Competition. Contestants raise funds to benefit Estes Park Health Oncology Services.

Every Crowns for the Care Contestant receives one-on-one mentoring from a past Mrs. Rooftop Rodeo winner. The person who raises the most funds will be crowned Mrs. Rooftop Rodeo Queen on Pink Night at the Rooftop Rodeo on Saturday, July 9. A no-obligation Information Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 19 at 5:30 pm at Estes Park Health. Contact Estes Park Health Foundation at 970-577-4370 or giving@eph.org to reserve your spot. For more information on Paint Estes Pink, visit www.Giveto-EPH.org/pink. 

Scanning with New MRI Machine Starts in May of 2022

Thanks to the generosity of EPH Foundation donors, the new MRI machine will be in-service at EPH in May of 2022. In March of 2022, EPH hired its first full-time radiologist, Dr. John Knudtson, to support the use of the machine. A wall in the Diagnostic Imaging Suite needed to be removed to move the new machine in. During the transition, MRI was still available at EPH via a mobile MRI unit outside of the Emergency Department. 





1st Annual Estes Park Jazz & Blues Festival

Partnerships between the for-profit and nonprofit worlds create synergy, propelling the work of both entities forward. As a person who has loved blues and jazz from my earliest days, I'm excited to present the 1st Annual Estes Park Jazz & Blues Festival in partnership with The Stanley Live. Jazz and blues music is uniquely American, and this year's lineup includes Colorado natives whose musical talents have taken them across the globe to perform. Please join me to Feel the Rhythm of the Rockies at The Stanley Hotel Concert Hall on Saturday, May 14. This special performance benefits Estes Park Health Foundation. Doors open at 3 pm.



Performers for the 1st Annual Estes Park Jazz & Blues Festival include Chris Daniel & the Kings, Mollie O'Brien & Rich Moore, and Wendy Woo. Chris Daniels has been playing and recording since 1970 and was inducted in the Colorado Music Hall of Fame in 2013. Mollie O'Brien is also a member of the Colorado Music Hall of Fame and won a Grammy in 1996 as part of the album *True Life Blues: The Songs of Bill Monroe*. A Colorado music scene mainstay, Wendy Woo has shared the stage with Michael Franti, the Indigo Girls, and many other national favorites. The award-winning Estes Park High School Band will also take the stage. Tickets are available at <https://tixr.com/e/34214>.

I'm grateful to The Stanley for breathing life into this festival and to sponsors Estes Chamber of Commerce, Estes Park News, Estes Park Trail Gazette, Oskar Blues, Rocky Mountain Channel, UHealth, and Visit Estes Park. Community partners like these create the critical income streams necessary to keep state-of-the-art healthcare options available here in Estes Park.

Sincerely,

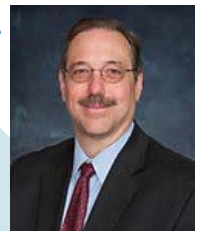
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FOUNDATION COMPLIMENT

"Support from Estes Park Health Foundation funded a Newborn Anne Mannequin and a Pediatric Vision Screener for EPH Pediatrics. The Newborn Anne Mannequin is used for Neonatal Resuscitation training. The mannequin's airway allows for all aspects of training in newborn airway management and is an essential tool for staff training. The Pediatric Vision Screener tests the vision of children as young as 6 months for problems like farsightedness, nearsightedness, blurred vision, unequal refractive power, eye alignment, and unequal pupil size. Use of a vision screener is ideal for early intervention programs targeted at special needs, pre-verbal, and preschool children. Thank you EPHF donors!"

~Mark Wiesner, DO,
EPH Pediatrics





Help Purchase a New Fluoroscopy Unit for Estes Park Health

This year, EPHF is raising money for a new fluoroscopy unit. In March of 2022, Dr John Knudtson, Diagnostic Radiologist, joined EPH fulltime, which means expanded availability and services for Diagnostic Imaging. Dr. Knudtson is EPH's first employed radiologist on the Medical Staff, and ensuring up-to-date equipment will enhance his ability to provide care to our community. The current fluoroscopy unit at Estes Park Health was purchased refurbished 8 years ago and will be at end of life at the end of 2022. Because the machine is so old, the technology is dated and parts will no longer be produced to repair the machine starting in 2023.

Fluoroscopy is a medical imaging procedure that uses several pulses (brief bursts) of an X-ray beam to show internal organs and tissues moving in real time on a computer screens. While standard X-rays are like photographs, fluoroscopy is like a video.

Health care providers use fluoroscopy for two main purposes: to help guide certain treatment procedures (known as interventional guidance), such as surgeries and catheter placements, and for diagnostic procedures. Fluoroscopy is often used to detect abnormalities in the GI tract, like ulcers and swallowing problems, and is used as guidance for injections into joints for pain, lumbar punctures, and some imaging exams using MRI/CT with contrast.



Procedures performed at EPH that use fluoroscopy include:

- Imaging of the upper gastrointestinal tract with or without small bowel imaging
- Esophagrams
- Modified barium swallow tests (to assess swallow function)
- Joint injections
- Contrast injections
- Barium enemas
- Sniff tests (to check diaphragm function)
- Hysterosalpingography (ovarian tube patency)
- Foreign body removal

The new unit costs \$600,000. Will you join us? Visit www.GivetoEPH.org/fluoro today to donate.

*UPDATE your contact information with EPHF



For an opportunity to win a \$50 gift card (provided by a donor) to an establishment of your choice, please take the short survey below, detach from the newsletter, and send to EPHF in the provided remit envelope. Or take the survey online at www.GivetoEPH.org/contact.

FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____

SPOUSE/PARTNER FULL NAME (if applicable) _____

PLEASE FILL IN YOUR MOST UP-TO-DATE CONTACT INFO

MAILING ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

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Please check N/A if you don't have a text number or prefer not to receive texts N/A

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QUESTION FOR YOU.....

EPHF Staff would like to know what types of campaigns and events interest you. For example, last year EPHF underwrote equipment and training for several departments at Estes Park Health including Pediatrics, Med/Surg, Emergency Medical Services, Ambulance, Diagnostic Imaging, Laboratory, Materials Management, and Infusion. What areas of Estes Park Health are you most passionate about?



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ESTES PARK HEALTH FOUNDATION

“As an EMT, I’ve seen the lifesaving impacts of access to state-of-the-art technology and highly trained staff first-hand. As an innovative performer and Colorado native, I look forward to taking the stage to benefit Estes Park Health Foundation at the 1st Annual Estes Park Jazz & Blues Festival. I’m excited to share my unique style with you and the stage with Chris Daniels & the Kings and Mollie O’Brien & Rich Moore. I promise you will be glad you ventured to The Stanley Concert Hall on May 14 to witness this performance and support Estes Park Health, a rural, critical-access hospital serving the residents and visitors to the Estes Valley.”

~Wendy Woo

PERFORMER STATEMENT



Estes Park Health Department Wish List

The COVID-19 pandemic and 2020 wildfires brought forced closures, limited services, and unbudgeted expenses to EPH. If you’d like to support EPH Med/Surg directly, please consider funding the purchase of the Bair Hugger Warming Units described below. Contact EPHF at giving@eph.org or 970-577-4370 to donate today.

Bair Hugger Warming Units

EPH Med/Surg needs Bair Hugger Warming Units to maintain normothermia, or normal body temperature, for surgical patients. Normothermia is the standard of pre-operative care and is an evidence-based method of preventing infection, operative stress, and other complications such as metabolic acidosis, cardiovascular effects, increased respiratory distress, and surgical bleeding.



Cost per Unit: \$1,700 — QTY Needed: 2

