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Fourth Annual UAMS Day of Giving Raises More Than \$350,000

LITTLE ROCK —The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) held the fourth annual Day of Giving on April 14 to support education, clinical care and research across the institution. This year, the event raised \$352,933.

Since 2017, the Day of Giving event has been UAMS' largest single-day philanthropic effort. As the state's only health sciences university, UAMS continues to lead in education, clinical care and research while playing an essential role in tackling the COVID-19 pandemic in Arkansas.

"Every year I am humbled by the outpouring of support from our donors on the Day of Giving, but this year is special," said UAMS Chancellor Cam Patterson, M.D., MBA. "Despite all of the hardships over the past year, our donors came out in force to support UAMS. Not only that, they showed up to fill our food pantry and to share notes of encouragement for our front-line caregivers. That profound commitment makes a difference every day to further our mission in research, education and clinical care."

This year, donors made gifts via phone or online at the campaign website, dayofgiving.uams.edu. In addition, donations, food, and supplies were dropped off at Freeway Medical Tower for the Stocked & Reddie food pantry. Heartfelt, handwritten notes for UAMS' front-line health care heroes also were collected.

Patterson kicked off the day's events by making the first official donation at 6 a.m. on April 14. In total, UAMS received gifts from 684 donors, with 316 food pantry items donated and 171 notes and cards written for front-line workers. All money raised will support the various programs, colleges or institutes chosen by the donors, and the donors' gift designations were spread across areas of patient care, education and research.

State funding is only a small percentage of UAMS' \$1.5 billion annual budget. UAMS relies on philanthropic support from generous donors in Arkansas and beyond to provide much-needed funds for clinical excellence, groundbreaking research and innovative education for the next generation of health professionals. Learn more at giving.UAMS.edu.

UAMS is the state's only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging, Translational Research Institute and Institute for Digital Health & Innovation. UAMS includes UAMS Health, a statewide health system that encompasses all of UAMS' clinical enterprise including its hospital, regional clinics and clinics it operates or staffs in cooperation with other providers. UAMS is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. *U.S. News & World Report* named UAMS Medical Center the state's Best Hospital; ranked its ear, nose and throat program among the top 50 nationwide; and named six areas as high performing — COPD, colon cancer surgery, heart failure, hip replacement, knee replacement and lung cancer surgery. UAMS has 2,876 students, 898 medical residents and four dental residents. It is the state's largest public employer with more than 10,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses, Arkansas Children's Hospital, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit www.uams.edu or www.uamshealth.com. Find us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or [Instagram](#).

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