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annual report



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Brenda Maloney, Pathfinder

As the only **pediatric** hospital in the region, and one of the **top** children's hospitals in the country, we **understand** the unique needs of **families** when a child is ill. That is why we've done everything we can to provide each child and family an **extraordinary** experience.

pediatric trained and board-certified medical staff in more than 40 specialty areas; investing in ground-breaking research to develop new treatments and cures for pediatric diseases; aligning with the area's top academic institutions to provide training to physicians and clinicians; and providing the most advanced medical technology designed specifically for children.

But we also understand that an extraordinary experience involves more than great medical care. That's why we also have 18 child life specialists, more than 60 social workers, five full-time chaplains, and three full-time school teachers on our staff to address the special needs of families with sick children.

And equally as important, we have invested in creating a unique, *family-centered* healing environment that makes kids feel comfortable and allows them to be kids, even when they don't feel well.

Perhaps that is why we treat more children than all the other area hospitals combined. Our growth this past year pushed us to increase to 314 licensed beds, add 37 new, full-time physicians,



and expand our services at Children's Mercy South, Children's Mercy Northland, and throughout the region.

We know that minor surgery is never minor. We understand that smiles are as important as medicine. From surgeries to snugglies, kids need a different kind of treatment. The one-of-akind care found only at Children's Mercy.

The following pages highlight some of our efforts in 2005 to provide an extraordinary experience, with extraordinary outcomes, for every patient and family who come to Children's Mercy. Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics Board of Directors 2005 - 2006

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From our cover: Sunny Sayers, RN, Intensive Care Nursery.

We're here for every child, anytime.

It all started in 1897 with one bed. The Mercy bed.

e have grown dramatically since then, with 314 licensed beds today. But our mission has not changed since Katharine Berry Richardson, MD, and her sister Alice Berry Graham, DDS, took in that first patient.

We are committed to providing the highest quality care to every child, regardless of the family's inability to pay.

Each year we provide more than \$14.8 million in charity care. Care for which we know up front that we will never receive financial reimbursement. Millions more is provided in care for which families cannot afford to pay beyond their insurance coverage.

Yet each of these children receives the same, high level of care and attention as every other patient at the hospital. Because at Children's Mercy, we only have one level of care. The best.

Community support has enabled us to fulfill our mission of providing the highest level of care for every child. As city, state and federal funding and other support sources have diminished and reimbursement rates have dwindled, the community has stepped forward to bridge the gap.

Thanks to the support of thousands of individuals and corporations, we were able to serve more than 500,000 families this past year from

charity care

throughout Missouri, Kansas and beyond. That support is one reason we are recognized as one of the top children's hospitals in America.

The individuals, organizations, foundations and businesses listed in the back of this report have demonstrated their support for our hospital and the children of our community. We thank them for their contributions and we hope you will join them.



We understand that smiles are as important as medicine.

> Liesel Stephens, Music Therapist

child life

hildren deserve a children's hospital. A place where the staff is educated, trained and dedicated to not only treating the child's illness, but caring for the complete range of the child's needs as well.

That is why Children's Mercy has been a leader in advocating for the psychosocial (emotional and social) needs of children and their families. We are one of the only hospitals in the region to employ certified child life specialists - individuals with a graduate or undergraduate degree in a variety of disciplines related to child development, psychology, education, family studies, or therapeutic recreation and who have completed a hospital internship. These specialists work closely with the children and families to provide materials and guidance for developmentally appropriate play, prepare children for medical experiences, advocate for patient and family rights, and promote a non-threatening, normalized environment.

With 10 unit-based play rooms and a full menu of programs including music therapy, pet therapy and relaxation

> Sally Ross, Patient Activity Assistant at Children's Mercy South, with a young patient.

techniques, the Child Life staff is integrated throughout the hospital and involved as members of the care team. This has allowed our Child Life specialists to have a measurable impact on patient life at the hospital.

Involvement with radiology patients has helped reduce the need for sedation by 14% for patients undergoing procedures such as CT scans. Child Life-led pre-op tours have improved patient cooperation, reduced fear, and improved satisfaction

with surgery patients. And education for parents on comforting positions for holding their child during procedures, play programs for siblings, and family resources and support have helped create a less stressful experience for the entire family.

You see, at Children's Mercy, caring for kids is what we do. It's all we do. We understand that warm colors and a comfortable environment can be an antidote to fear.



Our giant smiling tree greets visitors in our Same Day Surgery waiting area.

environment

at Children's Mercy, it is quite obvious this is not just any hospital. It is a hospital that has won numerous awards and been featured in national publications for innovative design, lighting and landscaping.

A colorful kaleidoscope sign and a musical clock tower in the circle drive greet our patients and visitors. Once inside, bright jewel tone colors, giant jeweled birds, a color-changing rotunda, unique lighting and child-friendly furnishings all communicate clearly that this is a place that understands children.

It is all part of a design plan that puts children and families front and center. Where clinical staff, engineering, painters, carpenters, architects, artists, and planners all come together with the goal of creating a space that is functional, yet friendly. In fact, many of the design elements in the hospital start with suggestions from patients and families, and their feedback along with the comments
from the staff that serve them
is incorporated throughout the
design process for every location.

Nowhere is this more evident than in the new Same Day Surgery waiting area opened in March 2005. A giant, smiling tree with red apple lights serves as a focal point for families as they enter the room. A play area for kids with big screen TV, private consult rooms for families and physicians, a dining area, and more than double the seating of our previous waiting area were incorporated based directly on comments from patients and staff.



When we treat a child, we care for the entire family.

Jana Schlosser, RN

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imply put, children and their families are at the center of everything we do.

That's why we have implemented a family-centered approach to providing care that involves the patient and family in all that we do, starting at the bedside with developing a plan of care Over the past several years, FAB has been instrumental in revising our visitation guidelines, creating a visitor etiquette card,



consulting on the new online patient billing system, providing

and continuing throughout the hospital in all touch-points for patients and families. It is an approach based on respect and backed by evidence that shows that patient outcomes are better when the family is included.

Led by our Family Advisory Board (FAB) and Teen Advisory Board (TAB), families and teens look at our policies, practices, facilities and virtually everything we do, to help us identify what is appropriate and reasonable for patients and their families. This approach takes into consideration the whole patient, addressing clinical, psychosocial and spiritual needs.

family-centered care

education to hospital staff through two Grand Rounds educational programs, and launching the development of a new Parent Orientation Program that will include a handbook for parents, classroom instruction, and support groups. TAB has been involved with the development of a formalized process for transitioning care of our teen patients to adult providers. Our leadership in family-centered care has been recognized by organizations throughout the United States. In 2005, Children's Mercy staff and parents were presenters at the International Family Centered Care Conference, The Institute for Health Care Initiatives conference, and to children's hospitals

nationwide at the Child Health Corporation of America's annual Executive Summit.

Members of our Family Advisory Board: Sheryl Chadwick, Chris Rathmann and Ginnie Miller. Quality care is not just our goal, it is our expectation.

> Kerrie Meinert, RRT Clinical Specialist

s one of the first children's hospitals to join the Institute for Healthcare Improvement's 100,000 Lives Campaign, Children's Mercy again shows its strong commitment to quality. This campaign, aimed at saving 100,000 patient lives in just 18 months by improving health care nationwide, brings together hospitals dedicated to doing their best to make health care as safe and effective as possible.

Children's Mercy officially joined the program in 2005, but our quality improvement efforts have a long history.

One of our major efforts in 2005 – part of the 100,000 Lives initiative and the Institute of Medicine's "Six Aims" to improve health care – was the development of Rapid Response Teams. These teams are prepared to respond in minutes when there is even a subtle indication that a patient's condition is concerning.



Instead of taking a wait-and-see attitude, the Rapid Response Team approach empowers anyone on the health care team to call for help if they suspect the patient isn't responding to treatment like he should or is in any way in declining health. Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, Children's Mercy received stellar marks for meeting all of the National Patient Safety Goals. The goals include: improving effective communication, reducing infections, infusion pump safety and others. Children's Mercy

quality

The Rapid Response Teams are an example of a program that touches on many of the Six Aims of quality improvement set forth by the IOM: Safety, Effective, Timely, Efficient, Equitable and Patient Centered.

So effective are our quality programs that during the 2005 visit by the Joint

received full accreditation with no recommendations for improvements, our highest ranking ever.

While we have made great strides in providing safe and effective health care for all children, we will never finish. Quality improvement is a process, one that motivates and inspires us each day.

> Above: Brad Bishop, MD, Hospitalist

Ivette De La Paz, Spanish Interpreter, assists Cheryl Zwerenz, Occupational Therapist, in communicating instructions to a parent.

> Caring reaches beyond hospital walls

DoubleTRAY

hen a child is hospitalized, it can be overwhelming for the entire family. That is why the Social Work team at Children's Mercy is available to help families help themselves through difficult circumstances.

The more than 60 social workers at Children's Mercy provide a variety of services to the families of patients, including assistance with food, clothing, lodging, and transportation; referrals to community resources and support groups; helping the family figure out how to care for the child once he has been discharged; financial counseling; and assessing cases of child abuse and neglect. A staff of 10 specially-trained medical interpreters is also part of the Social Work team, and is an invaluable resource for our non-English-speaking families.

At no point were our social workers more important than when Children's Mercy received 24 patients from New Orleans Children's Hospital, who were change of clothes. The purchases were paid for by donations to the hospital's Family Support Fund.

When five of the families chose to relocate to Kansas City permanently, our social workers connected them with resources in the community who provided housing, transportation and for some, employment. One mother, whose child's immune system was severely compromised, needed assistance with furnishing her new apartment. Because of the baby's high risk for infection. she couldn't use donated furniture. Our social workers arranged to purchase new furniture for the family, including a crib for the child.

social work

evacuated following Hurricane Katrina. The families were far from home and arrived with only the clothes on their backs. Children's Mercy social workers arranged to transport the families to Wal-Mart to purchase the items they needed, such as a fresh

Everyone needs a little help sometimes...and when they do, our patients and families can be comforted to know that our social workers are here to provide that help. Brad Warady, MD, with a patient from New Orleans Children's Hopsital.

When the unimaginable becomes reality, we offer comfort and hope.

> Rev. Dane Sommer, Chaplaincy Services

hile Children's Mercy prides itself on bright and colorful surroundings, cheery staff and playrooms for the children, this can also be a place filled with anxiousness, confusion and grieving.

As part of our efforts to make the best of every visit, Children's Mercy has one of the largest – and we believe most passionate – staffs of chaplains anywhere. The chaplains work in partnership with children and families of all faiths as they work through sometimes difficult, painful or even unthinkable events.

With a team of six full-time and two part-time chaplains available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, the patients and families at Children's Mercy are never far away from the comforting words or touch of a chaplain. These individuals are trained like any other member of the clergy, and they have also completed a special training in hospitals, like a medical student's residency program. Two on the staff have completed their doctorates.

In addition to supporting parents -- helping them with the emotional as well as the policy-and-procedure steps -- the chaplains are also available to help hospital staff members, who may struggle with some of what they see or hear. The chaplains, using their expertise to know when to talk, when to listen and when to just be there, bring peace to turmoil and can help make sense out of a senseless situation.

One of the most difficult times for any family is when a death is involved. The chaplains are here, and in addition to helping all those involved with guilt or anger or grief, they also help



chaplaincy

the family make important decisions regarding a number of end-of-life issues, including organ and tissue donation. This is vitally important, as one family's tragedy can be another's saving grace. Children's Mercy last year received the federal Collaborative 75 Percent Award for achieving an organ donation rate of greater than 75 percent – meaning that whenever families are approached about organ donations, more than 75 percent of the time the families said yes.

It takes a special touch to have that kind of success. A spiritual and emotional touch you'll find at Children's Mercy.



honors and awards

The **Joint Commission for Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations** gave Children's Mercy a **perfect score** for meeting all of the commission's quality and safety standards. After a five-day survey at Children's Mercy – during which Joint Commission surveyors followed patients through their stays, interviewed dozens of employees and evaluated many clinical processes – JCAHO issued its final report which contained no requirements for improvement.

Asthma management programs at Children's Mercy that keep kids out of the emergency room and reduce medical costs were named **best in the country** in two national competitions. The Asthma program was awarded the Environmental Protection Agency's **National**



Environmental Leadership Award in Asthma Management and the **2005 Making A Difference Award** from the national Allergy & Asthma Network: Mothers of Asthmatics.

The Department of Health and Human Services awarded Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics the **Collaborative 75 Percent Award** for achieving an organ donation rate of greater than 75 percent – meaning that whenever doctors, nurses, chaplains and



Karen Cox, RN, PhD, Senior Vice President for Patient Care Services at Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics, was inducted as a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing. Dr. Cox is one of only a handful of nurses

in the Kansas City area ever to be selected by their peers for their outstanding contributions to nursing and health care. representatives from the Midwest Transplant Network approached potential organ donors' families at Children's Mercy and asked if they would donate their child's organs, more than 75 percent of the time the families said yes.

new staff

Kevin Kelly, MD,



joined the staff of Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics in September 2005 as Pediatrician-in-Chief and Associate Dean for Children's Mercy programs at

the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine. Dr. Kelly comes to Children's Mercy from the Medical College of Wisconsin, where he had multiple academic positions, most recently serving as the Associate Dean of Clinical Affairs and Professor of Pediatrics and Medicine.



Sandra A.J. Lawrence was named Executive Vice President/Chief Financial Officer for Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics in December 2005. She is a past

board member of Children's Mercy and the Children's Mercy Hospital Foundation.

Lanny



Rosenwasser, MD, joined the hospital in May 2005 as the first Dee Lyons/ Missouri Endowed Chair in Pediatric Immunology Research at

Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics.

In 2005, Children's Mercy added 37 employed or contracted physicians representing 17 subspecialties to the medical staff.

programs and services

A **new inpatient unit**, 5 Henson, was opened in January 2005 in the six-story Paul and Betty Henson patient tower. The new unit features **14 private patient rooms** complete with a daybed for parents to spend the night, TV, VCR and refrigerator.

Children's Mercy, in collaboration with the University of Texas, became one of only two pediatric centers in the nation to test home hemodialysis equipment for children.

A new **neonatal/pediatric equipped helicopter** solely dedicated to the Children's Mercy Critical Care Transport team arrived in December. The new helicopter is based at the hospital and **can be en route within 10 minutes**.

Children's Mercy continued to expand clinic

offerings with the opening of an ENT clinic at the 5520 College Boulevard Clinics, Endocrine and Ophthalmology clinics at Children's



Two new Endoscopic

Surgery sultes opened in April to further support our minimally invasive surgery program. Each suite, equipped with ceiling mounted booms, plasma screen televisions, viewing screens and recording devices for teaching and documentation, can set up two-way video conferencing for collaboration with other hospitals nationally and internationally. Mercy Northland, and dedicated Orthopaedics clinic time for **sports medicine**.

The Children's Mercy Health Management

Department was established to help guide providers in delivering care that emphasizes prevention, evidence-based guidelines and patient empowerment. Initially focused on asthma, the program plans to address childhood obesity/weight management and ADHD in the future.



Children's Mercy started three new **outreach clinics**: Orthopaedics in Jefferson City, MO; Gastroenterology in Salina, KS; and Cardiology in Topeka, KS.

Children's Mercy welcomed three physician scientists in clinically important areas in 2005. Lanny Rosenwasser, MD, joined the hospital as the Dee Lyons/Missouri Chair in Pediatric Immunology Research. Dr. Rosenwasser's research is focused on the genetics of asthma. Chris Harrison, MD, Infectious Disease, was brought on board with a research emphasis on the immune system response to certain common childhood viral infections. Kathleen Neville, MD, Hematology/Oncology and Clinical Pharmacology, came to the hospital with a research focus on the pharmacogenetics of pain treatment in pediatric sickle cell disease.

Research saw a marked increase in technology transfer activity as license negotiations began to bring **new discoveries** with practical applications for therapeutics and diagnostics to medical practice. The hospital is currently negotiating a number of agreements with corporations in the US and Europe that will result in new diagnostics and treatments aimed at improving the health of children. Six new patents were disclosed during the year.

leadership circle of care

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The Leadership Circle of Care recognizes those individuals whose annual gifts total \$10,000 or more. Their gifts may be made personally, through a family foundation or a privately held corporation.

The Circles of Mercy, Hope and Dreams recognize all donors for their cumulative gifts at the following levels: Circle of Mercy - \$5,000 - \$9,999 Circle of Hope - \$2,500 - \$4,999 Circle of Dreams - \$1,000 - \$2,499

The Circles of Giving were established as part of an ongoing effort to encourage philanthropic support of operations at Children's Mercy and raise awareness about the little things which add up to immeasurably enhanced quality of life for thousands of children and their families. Whether your gift supports the operating fund; is designated to purchase a piece of equipment; or is directed to increase an endowed fund for cancer research, it all adds up to support of the mission which makes Children's Mercy the special place we all know it to be. We want our donors to know what a difference they make in the lives of the children for whom we care. We hope that these Circles of Giving do just that.



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In 2005 the Nancy J. Whalen Foundation and Children's Mercy became partners and the scholarship fund was placed under the hospital's umbrella. Since its founding, the fund has awarded 60 nursing scholarships in excess of \$52,000. The private showing of the Symphony Designers' Showhouse provided a lovely venue for celebrating Nurses Week and raising money for additional scholarship funds.



Joe Whalen (center) was on hand to honor Patrick Pickert and Micelle Shaffer with \$1,000 nursing scholarships from the Nancy J. Whalen Foundation and Children's Mercy.

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On May 23, 2005, Black & Veatch held its 9th annual charity golf tournament benefiting Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics. The tournament was held at the Shadow Glen Country Club in Olathe, Kan., and brought together business and community leaders from across the region. Black & Veatch was honored to present Children's Mercy with a check for \$87,001.

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Len Rodman (left), President & CEO at Black & Veatch, joins his foursome in celebrating the tournament's success.

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Scott Wurzbacher, Kohl's Regional Manager, presented Children's Mercy with \$282,327 to fund Healthy Kids University, a community education program, on August 18, 2005. The funds from Kohl's are generated from the proceeds of plush animals and books that are sold through Kohl's stores. One hundred percent of the net profits from the items are donated to support health and educational opportunities for children, including those at Children's Mercy.

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Susan Lordi Marker, artist of the Heart of Gold, autographs the figurines during a special event at the hospital.

DEMDACO and artist Susan Lordi Marker created the Heart of Gold Willow Tree figurine in memory of Scott Innes, a former oncology patient at Children's Mercy. In 2005 the figurines were sold throughout the world, telling the story of Scott and his battle with cancer. Both DEMDACO and Susan Lordi Marker, a close personal friend of the Innes family, contributed a portion of all Heart of Gold sales to the hospital.

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The Jay Wolfe Family and friends bring Christmas to Children's Mercy.

The Christmas toy donation from Jay Wolfe Automotive group has been an annual tradition for many years. This year over \$37,000 in toys were delivered just in time for the holiday season. The Wolfe Family and the employees of Jay Wolfe Automotive create a pleasant hospital experience for the children throughout the entire year. An annual golf tournament was held in the spring and employees contribute through a payroll deduction program. Cindy Tucci Wolfe, Vice Chairman of Jay Wolfe Automotive Group, also serves as a volunteer on the Leadership Circle of Care Committee.

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Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics and the pediatric programs at the University of Kansas Medical Center join together throughout the year as beneficiaries of Children's Miracle Network (CMN), an international non-profit organization dedicated to raising public awareness and financial resources for hospitals for children.

Since CMN first began in Kansas City in 1985, more than \$7 million has been raised to support pediatric medical services in our region. Both national and local corporate sponsors raise approximately 70 percent of the funds donated to the two hospitals each year, with 20 percent coming from individuals and 10 percent from special events, foundations and other gifts.

All proceeds raised in the Kansas City region remain here to support the programs at Children's Mercy and KUMC Pediatrics.



Rocket and Teresa from radio station Mix 93.3 are shown with a patient and his mother during the 2005 Mix for Kids Radiothon, held at Children's Mercy Hospital. Rocket and Teresa and the radio station staff have hosted the three-day radiothon every year since 1999 and have raised a total of more than \$2 million for the two CMN hospitals.



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Funds raised by CMN sponsors in 2005 were designated to help fund the expansion of the Intensive Care Nursery at Children's Mercy Hospital. The gift amounts listed below reflect the funds that were donated to Children's Mercy, and an equal amount from each donor listed was also donated to KU Medical Center Pediatrics in 2005. This list includes donors who raised \$1,000 or more for Children's Miracle Network in 2005:

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Blockbuster	\$19,209
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Nick & Jake's restaurant hosted a golf tournament on May 2, 2005, raising

laptop computers that can withstand the hospital's sanitization processes,

\$17,500 for the Child Life Department. The gift, presented in honor of

one-time patient, Jordan Paden, went toward the purchase of special

reducing the risk of spreading disease between patients. Patients can

check-out the laptops during their stay at Children's Mercy and keep in

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Sarah Hampl, MD, PHIT Kids, is joined by Pam Kessler, Fran Jenny, Barbara Thompson, Beth Alm, Chairperson, Dorene Shipley and Laura Bluhm, President of CRA, at Halls.

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Children's Relief Auxiliary held its second annual night of shopping at Halls. Almost \$10,000 was raised to help support the PHIT Kids program, which works with children and their families who are challenged with obesity. Halls generously hosted the refreshments and donated a beautiful Waterford bowl, as well as a percentage of the evening's sales. Room/39/Season's Catering donated the delicious appetizers for the event.

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STATISTICS & financial information

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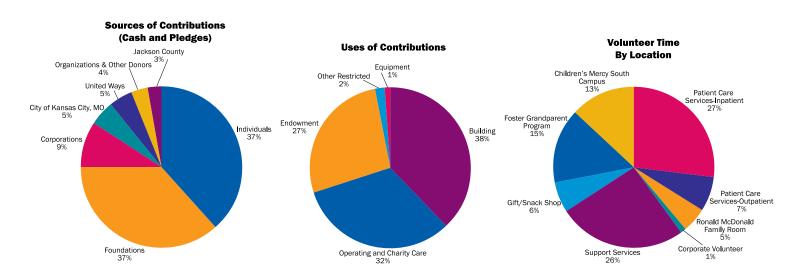
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Patient Care Services	\$392,104,166.00
Research Grants	7,465,479.00
Unrestricted Gifts	1,061,575.00
Investment Income	1,307,976.00
Restricted Gifts	17,328,620.00
City of Kansas City, Missouri	1,200,000.00
Jackson County	600,000.00
Other Revenue	<u>18,928,185.00</u>
TOTAL	\$439,996,001.00

Uncompensated Care	\$14,817,002.00
Salaries & Benefits	252,819,084.00
Supplies & Other Expenses	125,147,332.00
Depreciation & Interest	26,027,864.00
New Equipment	<u>21,184,719.00</u>
TOTAL	\$439,996,001.00

Financial donations and pledges received in 2005 totalled \$23,725,899. Of that total, only 7% went to fund-raising and adminstrative expenses—one of the lowest percentages for fund-raising costs in the nation.



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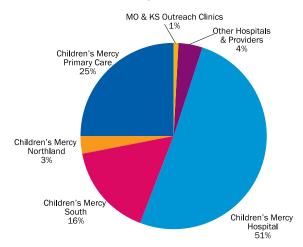
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fast facts

The past year was one of tremendous growth in the number of children served at Children's Mercy. Service statistics for calendar year 2005 include:

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Inpatient Care Admissions Average Length of Stay Average Daily Census Occupancy Rate	13,102 5.21 187.0 63.2%
Patient Days Medical/Surgical Intensive Care Nursery Pediatric Intensive Care Unit Children's Mercy South Patient Care Unit Total Patient Days	42,662 15,497 6,091 4,001 68,251
Outpatient Visits Hospital Specialty Clinics Children's Mercy South Specialty Center Children's Mercy Northland Specialty Clinics Primary Care Clinics Outreach Clinics Total Outpatient Visits	147,875 44,793 9,356 69,965 2,969 274,958
Home Care Visits	2,372
Emergency/Urgent Care Visits Hospital Emergency Room/Rapid Care Children's Mercy South Urgent Care Center Children's Mercy Northland Urgent Care Center Total Emergency/Urgent Care Visits	63,298 32,869 14,292 110,459
Surgical Procedures Inpatient Surgery Outpatient Surgery Total Surgical Procedures	3,851 11,744 15,595
Employees: Full-time equivalent Volunteers: Active	3,460 849
Medical Staff	507

Outpatient Visits By Location





did you know?

- Children's Mercy was the first hospital in Missouri or Kansas, and only the third children's hospital internationally, to receive Magnet designation for Excellence in Nursing Service.
- In 2005, we provided more than \$14.8 million in uncompensated care.
 - Children's Mercy is one of only 13 National Institutes of Health-funded Pediatric Pharmacology Research Units in the United States studying the effect of pharmaceuticals on children.
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