

2021 DONOR IMPACT REPORT

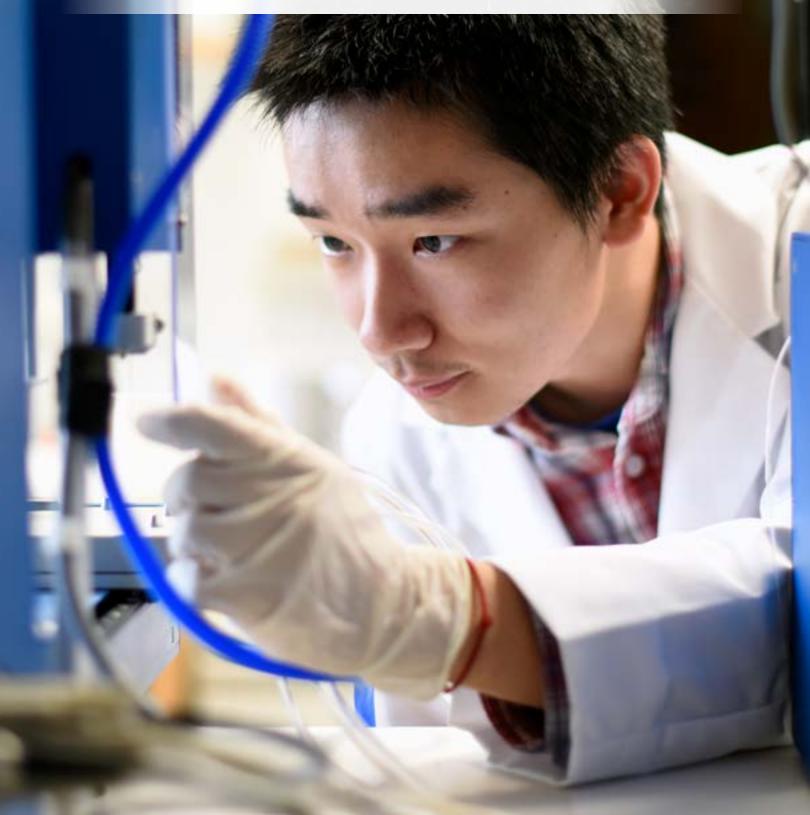






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On the Cover:

Kehan Chen, a former graduate student in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, uses a Gryphon liquid handling robot in his research to understand the mechanisms of membrane-embedded proteins important as therapeutic targets for metabolic diseases and cancers.



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A Well-Deserved 'Thank You' From Leadership





Dear Supporters and Friends of Baylor College of Medicine:

For more than a century, Baylor has benefited from a generous community of donors. Your gifts of time, energy and resources help drive Baylor's success in biomedical education, medical discovery and patient care to build a healthier world for us all. It is my honor to acknowledge your accomplishments in this inaugural EMPOWER Donor Impact Report.

Last year proved to be another challenging one with the ongoing pandemic, but you can take pride in knowing that Baylor was a national leader in responding to the pandemic with your support and advocacy. We increased patient services through the opening of a new Post COVID Care Clinic, a multidisciplinary Spine Center and a Center for Alzheimer's and Neurodegenerative Diseases. We grew academic initiatives by awarding six pilot grants to education innovation projects and put plans in place to open a regional school of medicine campus in Temple, Texas, in 2023. We received more than \$600 million for new research and invested in new technology to combat cancer, enhance surgery and bolster drug discovery.

Through your vision and confidence in our people and programs, we are able to leverage your generous philanthropy and the brightest minds in healthcare to create a new era of medicine that unites science, education and clinical care. This report highlights what you made possible in 2021. Thank you for your support to achieve our vision of improving health through science, scholarship and innovation.

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Paul Klotman, M.D. President, CEO and Executive Dean Baylor College of Medicine





Dear Baylor Friends:

I am inspired by and in awe of your commitment to Baylor College of Medicine. Together, we championed Baylor's vision of improving health through science, scholarship and innovation, and we are excited to showcase some of the important work and initiatives that you helped empower through your support.

The EMPOWER Donor Impact Report is our inaugural annual publication that highlights your contributions to Baylor by-the-numbers and through some truly remarkable stories that came to fruition across the College because you answered our call to action.

Through your giving at all levels and alumni support, you made 2021 a fantastic year for philanthropy — and, most importantly, for improving the research, education, patient care and community outreach initiatives that are impacting lives around the world. I hope you enjoy reading about what you and your fellow Baylor advocates helped achieve.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Young

Stephanie Young Senior Vice President of Advancement and Alumni Affairs Baylor College of Medicine

Your Support of Our Research Mission



Levy-Longenbaugh Fund fuels next-generation success of Baylor's research, patient care mission

Continuing the philanthropic legacies of the Levy and Longenbaugh families, Lawrence and Linda Levy, donor advisors of the Levy-Longenbaugh Fund, made a \$1.64 million gift supporting research and patient care initiatives at Baylor College of Medicine. The Fund grew out of the Gillson Longenbaugh Foundation, which was established by the late Alta G. Longenbaugh with the assistance of Mr. Levy, both of whom believed it was their responsibility to ensure the success of future generations.

The gift establishes the Alta G. Longenbaugh Professorship in Cancer Immunology, which generates perpetual annual income allowing Baylor's Dan L Duncan Comprehensive Cancer Center to recruit and retain an international leader in cancer immunology.

The gift also funds the Levy-Longenbaugh Research Awards, which provide young scientists with critical resources to advance novel scientific and medical research that can lead to improved patient care.

Additionally, funding from the gift was distributed to two mental health programs in honor of Adolf A. "Bubba" Pfeffer Jr., who served as a Foundation board member for more than a decade. These programs provide no-cost teletherapy services to Texas children and families dealing with pandemicrelated stress and to veterans who need counseling.

Lester & Sue Smith Foundation offers support for gene research that could lead to better heart health

Thanks to support from The Lester & Sue Smith Foundation, cardiologists at Baylor's Human Genome Sequencing Center created the HeartCare™ test, which targets genes that influence risk for cardiovascular disease, including aortic aneurysms, cardiomyopathies, arrhythmias and hypercholesterolemia. It also tests individual sensitivities to medications such as clopidogrel, warfarin and statins. The HeartCare™ test found that one-third of all cardiology patients have clinically actionable findings to prevent serious heart conditions.



COVID-19 vaccine for developing countries gets major boost from Tito's Handmade Vodka



Tito's Handmade Vodka made two grants totaling \$2 million to Baylor College of Medicine, supporting the Texas Children's Hospital Center for Vaccine Development, co-led by Dr. Peter Hotez, dean of Baylor's National School of Tropical Medicine, and Dr. Maria Elena Bottazzi, associate dean.

The Austin-based vodka brand awarded \$1 million in May 2020, enabling the team to conduct research for the development of a COVID-19 vaccine. The technology was in-licensed by Baylor to India-based vaccine and pharmaceutical company Biological E. Limited. In December 2021, CORBEVAX[™] received Emergency Use Authorization approval for launch in India, with other underserved countries to follow. More than 14 million adults and adolescents have received doses.

A second grant of \$1 million in August 2021 from Tito's will allow the scientific team to expand their research toward the creation of a universal coronavirus vaccine, ultimately advancing their mission to vaccinate lowand middle-income communities across the world.

Robert J. Kleberg, Jr. and Helen C. Kleberg Foundation funds vaccines to improve health outcomes

The Robert J. Kleberg, Jr. and Helen C. Kleberg Foundation provided recent funding to the Texas Children's Hospital Center for Vaccine Development — co-led by Dr. Peter Hotez, dean of Baylor's National School of Tropical Medicine, and Dr. Maria Elena Bottazzi, associate dean — for a vaccine for Chagas disease, a parasitic infection that can cause severe heart problems. The Kleberg Foundation also awarded them funds to support research for the COVID-19 CORBEVAX[™] vaccine, which received Emergency Use Authorization approval for launch in India in December 2021.

Additional support from the Kleberg Foundation was given to Dr. Anthony Maresso's research to address the growing crisis of antibiotic resistance through development of a completely new class of antibacterial medications. Dr. Maresso founded Baylor's Tailored Antibacterials and Innovative Laboratories for Phage Research (TAIL Φ R), which focuses on the therapeutic potential of bacteriophage, a type of virus that naturally targets, infects and destroys bacteria.

Why I Give...



Terry Chandler

"The TLC2 Foundation believes in the research of Drs. Ganesh Rao and Benjamin Deneen in the fight against glioblastoma. Terry Chandler, the founder of the TLC2 Foundation. was diagnosed with glioblastoma in April 2017 and passed away just three months later. During Terry's treatment, Dr. Rao took the time to answer our questions and explained the need for more research into this rare but deadly cancer. We support glioblastoma research because we want to give families more than just three months with their loved one. We want to see a cure found in our lifetime."

> - Judy A. Pittman TLC2 Foundation



Why I Give...

"The M. D. Anderson Foundation was instrumental in Baylor College of Medicine's move some 70+ years ago from Dallas to Houston and into the Texas Medical Center. It has long supported Baylor as one of the country's leading medical schools. The Foundation's current support acknowledges the continuing excellence of Baylor and its continuing contributions to medical science and progress." – Charles Hall

M.D. Anderson Foundation

Your Support of Our Educational Mission



STEM+M outreach for underrepresented students, national partnerships attract funding from anonymous donor

An anonymous donor provided funding to expand and scale the activities of the Center for Educational Outreach led by Director



Nancy Moreno, Ph.D. The Center provides in-person and webbased education and resources for teachers, students and the general public to improve science, teaching and learning, while promoting skills and literacy and

Nancy Moreno, Ph.D.

general understanding of clinical and basic biomedical research.

The funding will establish a national platform for supporting and promoting meaningful partnerships focused on STEM+M education for all students, especially underrepresented minority students in the medical field. The ultimate goal is to contribute to the development and retention of a diverse talent pipeline in pathways leading to science, technology, engineering, mathematics and medicine (or STEM+M) education and careers.

During her long career at Baylor, Dr. Moreno has spearheaded the Center's work, which includes developing STEM+M curriculum for grades K-12 and beyond (available on www.bioedonline.org), curating a remote learning curriculum to help teach STEM+M to students during the COVID-19 pandemic, and helping establish Baylor's partnership with Houston Independent School District to provide students with outstanding educational experiences in science in preparation for pursuing careers in science and medicine. She recently became Chair of the new Department of Education, Innovation and Technology.

Wintermann Foundation, BRASS impact graduate studies through mentorship, scholarships



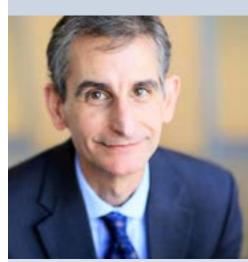
The David and Eula Wintermann Foundation is a long-time significant supporter of Baylor Research Advocates for Student Scientists, or BRASS, a volunteer organization that assists students in Baylor's Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences. The Foundation's generous support of the BRASS Scholarship Research Award Endowed Fund annually provides BRASS scholars with a stipend for their research during years two through five of their graduate studies. Scholars use these discretionary funds for research supplies, lab equipment and other tools needed in their research. BRASS members serve as community mentors to promising young investigators and are invaluable to Baylor in their dedication to pursuing excellence in biomedical research by providing scholarships and research funding.

Full Circle Moment Alumni scholarship promotes diversity

Kelvin Moses, M.D., Ph.D., FACS '04, continues a Baylor tradition of giving back with his gift in support of the James Phillips, M.D., Diversity Endowed Scholarship. "I felt it critically important to contribute to future physicians who look like myself so that they have the same opportunities I had," Dr. Moses said. "Disparities in medicine will not disappear without a strong

cohort of diverse physicians of color to address them." Dr. Phillips served as senior associate dean for diversity and community outreach, and he successfully increased the number of Black and Hispanic students matriculating at Baylor during his decades of service. In fact, the 2020-21 class of first-year medical students was the most diverse class in Baylor's history with a quarter of the class representing minority groups.

Why I Give...



"The Burroughs Wellcome Fund is honored to help support the endowed lectureship in recognition of the many contributions to immunology, science education and mentorship of the late Jonathan M. Levitt, Ph.D. This lectureship will continue his legacy to support diverse scholars, enhance scientific community and lead to meaningful changes in human health in the years ahead."

– Louis J. Muglia, M.D., Ph.D. president and CEO, The Burroughs Wellcome Fund

Why I Give...

"The true value of wealth is measured by how many lives it can reach. Our father, Dr. Donald Elliott, espoused this ideal and would be honored to know that he will be remembered as supporting the advancement of medicine and research through the vision of Baylor M.D./Ph.D. candidates."

— Eugenia Elliott, Alicia Elliott and Douglas Elliott

Your Giving Impact Over the Decades

Following are some of the major institutional milestones and philanthropic highlights in the history of Baylor College of Medicine:



Portraits of Hugh Roy Cullen and Lillie Cranz Cullen.

1900

The University of Dallas Medical Department (the forerunner of Baylor College of Medicine) opens as a medical school in Dallas.

1903

The University of Dallas Medical Department affiliates with Baylor University and becomes Baylor University College of Medicine.

1943

Baylor University College of Medicine moves from Dallas to a former Sears, Roebuck and Co. warehouse in Houston.

1945

Texas Medical Center is incorporated.

1947

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Roy Cullen give \$800,000 to complete Baylor University College of Medicine's new facility in the Texas Medical Center.

1949

Mr. Marrs McLean makes a major bequest in his will to fund the Verna and Marrs McLean Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.

1952

Baylor receives a bequest of \$1 million from the estate of Mrs. Helene Crosby Simmons for a student loan fund for medical students.

1953

The Cullen Foundation makes a gift of \$1 million for operating expenses at Baylor.

1957

The Ford Foundation donates \$2 million to Baylor for general endowment support.

1966

The Cullen Foundation makes a \$500,000 gift, one of its largest of the decade, to fund the Roy and Lillie Cullen Endowment for Research and Teaching in Urology.

1969

Baylor University College of Medicine disassociates from Baylor University and the Baptist General Convention, becoming Baylor College of Medicine, a freestanding nonprofit corporation.



Mr. and Mrs. David C. Bintliff with Dr. Stanley Appel (center), 1977.

Mr. and Mrs. David C. Bintliff contribute \$2 million to establish an institute for neurology for Baylor and Methodist Hospital.

1970-1972

Baylor successfully undertakes the \$30 Million Campaign to endow chairs, professorships and scholarships and to underwrite capital and operating expenses.

1971

The Cullen Foundation makes a gift of \$1 million to the Department of Ophthalmology to help create the Cullen Eye Institute.

1973-1977



The Neurosensory Center Campaign raises \$34 million to build the Center, which opens in 1977.

1978-1981

The Campaign for the Eighties raises more than \$50 million to endow chairs and professorships and to strengthen Baylor's teaching mission.

1983-1986

The East Campus Campaign raises \$26 million for new facilities that expand Baylor's research footprint, including the Ben Taub Research Center and the Vivian and Bob Smith Medical Research Building.



Baylor College of Medicine during construction in 1947.

1986

Howard Hughes Medical Institute contributes \$8 million for the East Campus Campaign.

1988-1992

The New Century Campaign raises more than \$175 million for research, recruitment, construction and renovation projects, and scholarships and fellowships.

1988

Mr. Albert B. Alkek pledges \$25 million to kick off the New Century Campaign.

1995

The Department of Medicine is named in honor of Margaret M. and Albert B. Alkek's longstanding support of Baylor.

Mr. Albert B. Alkek bequeaths a major legacy gift to Baylor.

1996

The Center for Gene Therapy, later renamed the Center for Cell and Gene Therapy, is established with a \$5 million gift from Shell Oil Company Foundation.

1997-2002

The Investment in Discovery Campaign raises \$521 million for multiple endowment and currentuse needs, with special emphasis on the study of the brain and human perception.

1998

The Cullen Foundation contributes \$15 million to the Investment in Discovery Campaign.



Dr. and Mrs. William T. Butler with Mr. and Mrs. Corbin J. Robertson Jr., 1992.

1999

The Brown Foundation, Inc., donates \$25 million for the Brain and Behavior Institute, including funds for the Human Neuroimaging Lab and three chairs.

2003-2013

The Best Minds, Best Medicine campaign raises more than \$1 billion for multiple priorities, including new facilities on the McNair Campus.

2004

Mrs. Caroline Wiess Law bequeaths \$25 million to Baylor to establish the Caroline Wiess Law Endowment for Academic Excellence.

2006

The Dan L Duncan Cancer Center is established with a \$100 million gift from Mr. and Mrs. Dan L Duncan.

2007

Janice and Robert McNair pledge \$100 million to establish the McNair Scholars program to recruit rising stars in research.

Lester and Sue Smith pledge \$30 million to support the Breast Center and the Human Genome Sequencing Center. The Lester and Sue Smith Breast Center is named in their honor.

The Margaret M. Alkek Building for Biomedical Research opens, supported by a gift of \$31.32 million from the Albert and Margaret Alkek Foundation.

2009

The Cullen Trust for Higher Education and Mr. and Mrs. Corbin J. Robertson Jr. give \$5.4 million to endow a fund to support clinical faculty.



Dr. C. Kent Osborne with Mr. and Mrs. Dan L Duncan, 2006.

2012

Mr. and Mrs. Corbin J. Robertson Jr. give \$20 million to underwrite construction of the Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center.

2013

Mr. Fayez S. Sarofim gives \$10 million to underwrite the construction of the Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center.

2014

The Albert and Margaret Alkek Foundation donates \$20 million for recruitment in the Margaret M. and Albert B. Alkek Department of Medicine.

2015

The Welch Foundation makes a multi-year grant totaling \$5 million for research in the Center for Drug Discovery.

2016

The Lester & Sue Smith Foundation gives \$10.2 million for the Lung Institute at Baylor.

2019

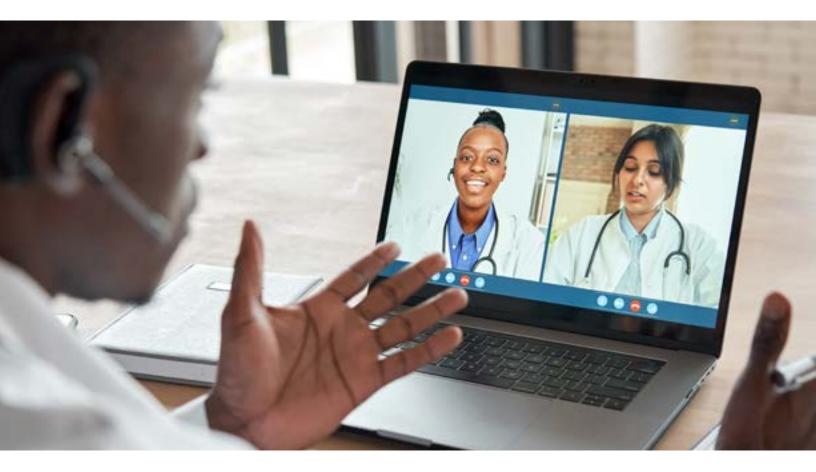
The Huffington Foundation pledges \$10 million for the Center for Educational Innovation and Research.

2021

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Watson make a major gift to create the Watson Foundation Leadership Fund to support priorities in clinical neurology and for the Ralph Pete Watson and Steven Duke Watson Endowed Chair in Clinical Neurosciences.

Photos courtesy of the Baylor College Of Medicine Archives

Your Support of Our Healthcare Mission



Center for Cardiometabolic Disease Prevention's innovative approach to care in rural Texas receives funding support

The Goradia Foundation and the A.R. "Tony" and Maria J. Sanchez Family Foundation funded the first-of-its-kind Cardiometabolic Precision Health Pilot in the Texas Rio Grande Valley. Unique to this pilot is the use of a telehealth platform called Project ECHO, which allows Baylor disease experts to work directly with local doctors and patients in rural areas to improve chronic disease management in South Texas.

As one of the most impoverished areas of the country, South Texas communities also are burdened with greater numbers of patients with cardiometabolic disease and diabetes. The project has enormous potential to help individuals and families gain access to desperately needed care and lead healthier lives. It uses genomic diagnosis to identify individuals who are particularly susceptible to cardiometabolic diseases and diabetes, and trains physicians at these locations on how to implement these practices. This ensures the project is sustainable and scalable, as physicians across the state — and ultimately around the country — will be able to share this method of diagnosis and have an even greater impact on health in communities across the globe.

The pilot is a project of the Center for Cardiometabolic Disease Prevention, which also has the longtime support of generous donors Trini Mendenhall and Wendy and Jeff Hines. Mr. Vijay Goradia and Mr. A.R. "Tony" Sanchez Jr. are Baylor College of Medicine trustees.



George J. Hutton, M.D., examines a patient.

Donors make multiple sclerosis research top priority

For more than a decade, Chris and Trudy Cunningham have been supporting the work of George J. Hutton, M.D., medical director of the Maxine Mesinger Multiple Sclerosis Comprehensive Care Center. The Cunningham Family Charitable Fund donated the full fellowship salary for a fellow in multiple sclerosis, who will start in July 2022. The Multiple Sclerosis Fellowship program offers comprehensive training in MS care and involvement in clinical trials. Dr. Hutton completed a fellowship in multiple sclerosis at Baylor and now holds the Linda and John Griffin Endowed Chair in Multiple Sclerosis, which was funded by the longtime generous support of Linda and John Griffin.

Why I Give...

"When we lost my wife's father to mesothelioma. we looked for an organization that is actively working to cure this horrible disease. We found Dr. David Sugarbaker years before his passing and knew we had a team that was a good fit for us and would do great things. After over 10 years of working with Dr. Sugarbaker and Dr. Bryan Burt's team (in the Department of Surgery) and the Office of Advancement, we could not be happier with the progress and accomplishments they have made in the space of respiratory cancer."

> **– Howard Gutenstein** Robert G. & Ellen S. Gutenstein Foundation, Inc.

Your Support of Our Community Outreach Mission



Dr. Peggy Smith, director of the Teen Health Clinic, speaks to a group of high school students.

Episcopal Health Foundation partners with Baylor on health improvement for underserved youth, young adults

The Episcopal Health Foundation is a supporter of our work to improve health for underserved youth and young adults. For the past six years, the Foundation has helped fund the Wisdom High School Teen Health Clinic, which provides free primary, behavioral and reproductive healthcare for youth and young adults ages 13-24 in Houston's underserved Gulfton area. Wisdom High School is the most diverse high school in the Houston area and hosts students from over 50 countries, who speak more than 40 languages. The mission of the Teen Health Clinic is to extend top-quality healthcare — including preventive medicine, family planning, immunizations, behavioral healthcare and sports medicine services — to Houston's underserved youth. Wisdom High School Teen Health Clinic serves as a medical home for Wisdom's student body and eligible out-of-school youth in the area. Support from the Foundation enables the Teen Health Clinic to fulfill its vision of guiding underserved youth toward healthier lives and helping them achieve their full potential.



Junior League of Houston offers Teen Health Clinic volunteer outreach, overall philanthropic support

In addition to their decades of generous financial support, Junior League of Houston members have volunteered to help young mothers through Baylor's Teen Health Clinic since 1974. Volunteers visit teen mothers at Ben Taub Hospital after delivery and offer support through regular phone calls, including making referrals to the Teen Health Clinic for medical or social worker needs. Volunteers also host baby showers twice a year for young mothers and their babies at Ben Taub.

When hospital visitor access was limited during the pandemic, Junior League volunteers used their ingenuity to continue to support teen mothers with drive-thru baby showers. Teen Health Clinic staff now enrolls these new mothers in the mentoring program, enabling volunteers to continue their traditional phone support to encourage and help young mothers with care or health follow-ups.



"As someone who has worked to advance new medicines for my entire career, I have always been impressed with the quality of science and level of care provided to patients at Baylor. I am very pleased to support the team at Baylor, whose work has a significant impact on the lives of so many people in Texas and beyond."

- Norbert Bischofberger, Ph.D. **Baylor College of Medicine** Board of Advisors

Full Circle Moment

Alumni give back to support health literacy, medication compliance in world's poorest countries

Coming full circle means giving back. Married alumni Abida Taher, M.D., Ph.D., Res. '08 and Nuruddin Jooma, M.D., Res. '08, made a \$1 million pledge supporting a research partnership between Baylor and Aga Khan University in Pakistan. A key program of the support was a text-message based intervention to improve health literacy and medication compliance in some of the world's poorest places. Led by cardiology professor and fellow alumnus, Salim Virani, M.B.B.S, Ph.D. '12, the partnership leverages the intellectual assets of two highly regarded universities to combat noncommunicable diseases.

The Partnership



The Partnership unites donors to power the future of health

For over 40 years, Baylor College of Medicine has benefitted tremendously from the support of The Partnership — an alliance of individuals who share Baylor's pursuit for a healthier community.

Today The Partnership has expanded into a giving society — uniting our most dedicated supporters to raise needed funds and to strengthen the relationships between our institution's friends, volunteers and donors. Baylor's President's Circle is now a part of the society as well.

When you give \$1,000 or more annually through cumulative gifts to any area across Baylor, you are part of The Partnership. You'll be provided with a breadth of opportunities for you to deepen your knowledge and help improve health for people locally and globally.

Education

As part of The Partnership, you'll learn more about how Baylor College of Medicine is helping to advance medicine and improve patient care. You'll see firsthand how your support is making a difference.

Advocacy

Supporters help us fulfill our mission by sharing our knowledge and discoveries, expanding our reach and inspiring others to be a part of the Baylor story.

Volunteering

From participating in a fundraiser to providing food to students during finals, there's a wide variety of volunteer opportunities to support our faculty, residents, fellows and students.

Giving

We couldn't do what we do at Baylor each day without a steady stream of funding. Donors are asked to give \$1,000 or more annually — what this looks like is up to you.



To learn more about how you can get involved, visit **bcm.edu/partnership**.







Planned Giving



Supporters make lasting legacy at Baylor through Jaworski Society

Legendary brothers Hannibal "Joe" Jaworski, M.D., a Baylor College of Medicine graduate and prominent surgeon, and Leon Jaworski, famed special prosecutor of the Watergate trial and Baylor board member, devoted their lives to serving others. Dr. Joe Jaworski left most of his estate to the College and agreed to have the Jaworski Society named after him and his brother. Their incredible legacy will live on forever at Baylor and yours can, too, in the Jaworski Society.

The Jaworski Society recognizes Baylor's generous donors who include the College in their estate and other financial plans. As part of the Jaworski Society, you receive special mailings, invitations to events and educational programs and recognition in select publications. We invite you to join the Jaworski Society and become part of a group making a lasting impact in medicine.

For more information about planned giving options or how you can be part of this group of healthcare visionaries, please contact Senior Director of Gift and Estate Planning Anne Kathryn Zamkovsky, J.D., at 713.798.8262 or anne.zamkovsky@bcm.edu.

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Learn more about The Jaworski Society and more planned giving options. givingyourway.org/bcm/

An inspiring legacy of leadership and service: Matilda Benyesh Melnick, M.D.

Matilda "Mati" Benyesh Melnick, M.D. (1926-2020), led a research group that made significant contributions to virology and played a key role in laying the foundation for the success of today's Department of Molecular



Melnick, Ph.D. He made several key discoveries with her help, including a way to store the polio vaccine without refrigeration,

husband Joseph

Virology and Microbiology

with her

BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE ARCHIVES Matilda Benyesh-Melnick, M.D. Va

making it much more accessible to developing nations.

The Melnicks moved to Houston in 1958 when Joseph was appointed head of Baylor's new Department of Virology and Epidemiology, the forerunner of today's Department. Mati is remembered for her overarching concern for the people in the Department and for her commitment to philanthropy. The Melnicks made gifts during their lifetimes and in their wills to create endowments supporting research and education in the Department, Alzheimer's research and scholarships for M.D./Ph.D. students. Their thoughtful giving preserves an important legacy of excellence and giving back to the College.

Alumni Reunion 2021

The COVID-19 pandemic forced institutions to lean into technology to create virtual connections, and Baylor's Alumni Reunion was no exception. The 2021 reunion was held virtually and had the highest participation ever, with 347 registrants. Major W. Bradshaw, M.S. '66, M.D. '67, received the Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of his dedication to medicine and medical education.



Major W. Bradshaw, M.D.



On the Frontline — Space Medicine

Baylor's leadership in space medicine took center stage during the On the Frontline virtual event in October 2021. Jeffrey P. Sutton, M.D., Ph.D., director of Baylor's Center for Space Medicine, Dorit Donoviel, Ph.D., director of the Translational Research Institute for Space Health, and Emmanuel Urquieta Ordonez, M.D., M.S., assistant professor of the Center for Space Medicine, comprised a panel discussing how their work exploring health challenges in space translates into medical breakthroughs on Earth for everyday patient care.

Holiday Season Gratitude

CITGO Petroleum Corporation generously funded over 3,000 meals during the 2021 end-of-year holiday season for Baylor's frontline healthcare workers at our Harris Health System affiliate hospitals: Ben Taub and Lyndon B. Johnson. Simon Bolivar Foundation, CITGO Petroleum Corporation's 501(c)(3) nonprofit foundation, is also funding scholarships for medical students in Venezuela to enroll in Baylor's National School of Tropical Medicine Diploma Program in Tropical Medicine. This course provides trainees with the knowledge and skills to care for patients at risk of acquiring tropical diseases, and who are no longer confined to geographic borders. These diseases disproportionately impact the world's poorest people.



Healthcare innovation today for the Houston of tomorrow

Keeping Houston economically vibrant and physically healthy as our city heads toward its 200th anniversary in 2036 is central to Baylor's vision as a leader in healthcare innovation and patient care excellence for our region and the world.

As the anchor institution of the Texas Medical Center and home to the No. 1-ranked medical school in Texas, Baylor is actively expanding its presence through three major projects — the new Baylor Health Sciences Park, the Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center-McNair Campus expansion and the Baylor Temple Campus — to meet the growing demands of healthcare now and for the future.

The BSLMC-McNair Campus expansion — including the near completion of O'Quinn Medical Tower (opening 2023) and the planned build out of the current hospital tower — is key to delivering innovative, next-generation patient care and to addressing the shrinking pipeline of medical workers predicted worldwide over the next several decades.

With expansion, the Campus will boast more than 1.6 million square feet of space to support and provide personalized care to patients and to enhance research and education, while tripling the size of Baylor's oncology clinic and infusion space and growing its radiation oncology and other ambulatory care services.

Upgraded facilities with the latest in technology and their proximity to the TMC³ research collaborative will



O'Quinn Medical Tower under construction.



An illustration of Baylor's expansion plan.

unite the best minds in medicine, science, academia and industry to accelerate new research, attract and retain exceptional medical talent and support Baylor in its unparalleled pursuit to make healthcare innovations happen.

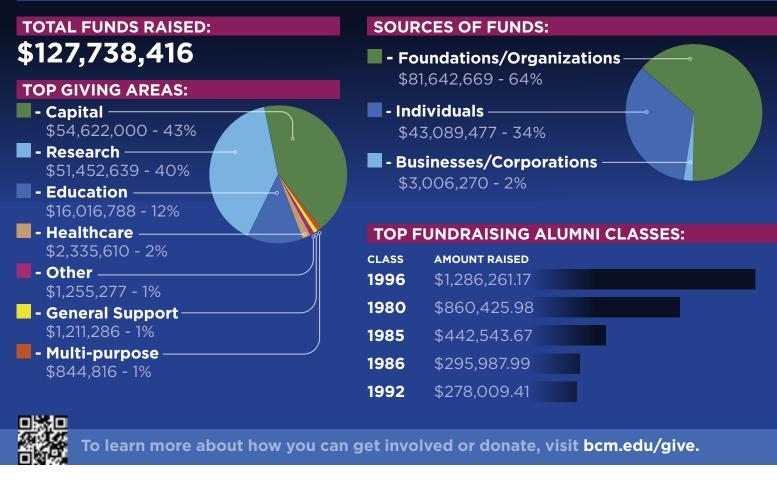


Students working in the trauma simulation lab.

Baylor expands medical training excellence into Central Texas

An inaugural class of 40 medical students will begin training in 2023 at Baylor's first regional medical school campus in Temple, Texas. The Central Texas campus will offer the same curriculum and approach as Baylor's Texas Medical Center campus, providing state-of-the-art facilities at Baylor Scott & White Medical Center and offering trainees valuable experience and insights into patient care for rural Texas populations. With opportunities for expanded research and program development, Baylor continues to be part of the solution to address shortages in healthcare workers, with the ultimate goal of improving health for all Texans.

Your 2021 (January - December) Support By the Numbers



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