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Capital Impact Bulletin

Updates from Capital Health Foundation | Fall 2026

Gratitude, Hope, and Healing

Dear Friends,

As I reflect on this latest edition of *Capital Impact*, I am filled with gratitude for the generosity, compassion, and vision of those who believe in our mission.

This issue is a celebration of the many ways philanthropy helps create hope and healing beyond clinical care. From the projects supported by Capital Women in Philanthropy and Capital Health's Healing Arts Committee to the Trenton Neighborhood Initiative, we are strengthening neighborhoods and improving lives.

I invite you to join us on Thursday, December 3, for the *2026 Chairman's Reception: A Toast to Excellence*. Together, we will celebrate the completion of Phase I of the Trenton Neighborhood Initiative and look ahead to Phase II. See inside for details — we hope you will attend!

Thank you for your commitment to improving the health and well-being of the communities we serve.



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Mission Moment

Pedal Power, an injury prevention program offered through the Bristol-Myers Squibb Trauma Center at Capital Health Regional Medical Center, teaches safe biking skills, rules of the road, and the importance of wearing helmets when participating in wheeled sports.

To date, Pedal Power has:

- ... Educated more than 28,500 kids
- ... Distributed nearly 17,500 helmets

The program and safety equipment are provided free of charge to the community thanks to supporters, including the Bristol Myers Squibb Company, the M. Edward Morris Foundation, Inc., Investors Bank, The Roma Foundation, Lawrence Township Community Foundation, the Church and Dwight Employee Giving Fund, and Capital Women in Philanthropy.

To learn more, contact Tori Chamberlin at vchamberlin@capitalhealth.org.



Families gather with Capital Health staff and administration at the Reflection Garden Dedication Ceremony.

A Garden to Remember, Reflect, and Heal

Families, physicians, nurses, and Capital Health staff gathered quietly in a new garden this summer, holding bouquets and surrounded by harp music, to acknowledge the grief of losing a child. Together, they dedicated Capital Health's new Bereavement Reflection Garden, inspired by the compassionate work of Capital Health's Lactation Services and Childbirth Education team.

"You could see what it meant on their faces," said Childbirth Education Coordinator Krista Gervon. "Having a place they could return to, even years later, was incredibly meaningful. After the ceremony, families thanked us for creating this space and shining a light on the grieving process."

While the team has long supported families through counseling, support groups, and educational programs, the garden provides a peaceful place where grieving families can reflect, find comfort, and connect with others who've shared a similar loss. The garden also offers healthcare staff a quiet place to pause, reflect, and find solace as they support families.

Although bereavement is part of the Maternal and Child Health team's work, supporting patients through the loss of a child is never easy. Gervon shared that many caregivers have expressed how comforting it is to have a dedicated place for reflection. "It serves as a small reminder each time they pass the space that they are not alone," she said.

Today, families leaving the hospital are given information about the Bereavement Reflection Garden and support group, along with a packet of seeds to plant at home in remembrance of their child. The garden will continue to offer a place for quiet reflection and remembrance.

The Bereavement Reflection Garden was made possible through a grant from Capital Women in Philanthropy, a giving circle committed to improving community health and well-being.

To learn more visit our [website](https://www.capitalhealth.org) or contact Jasmine Wilker at jwilker@capitalhealth.org.

Where Art and Healing Meet

For most people, an art gallery isn't something they expect to find inside a hospital. Yet, when you look through the glass walls of the Discharge Lounge at Capital Health Medical Center – Hopewell, patients, families, and staff are greeted by a thoughtfully curated collection of artwork that transforms an ordinary space into a space of comfort, reflection, and hope.

"The Discharge Lounge is the bridge between a patient's experience in the hospital and their home," said Healing Arts Steering Committee member Jane Zamost. It is where patients receive discharge instructions and wait for their ride home. Rather than treating it as simply a waiting area, the Healing Arts Committee recognized an opportunity to create a peaceful, uplifting environment.

The gallery in the Discharge Lounge at Capital Health Medical Center – Hopewell highlights local artists with diverse styles and perspectives, strengthening the patients' connection to both the hospital and to the community.

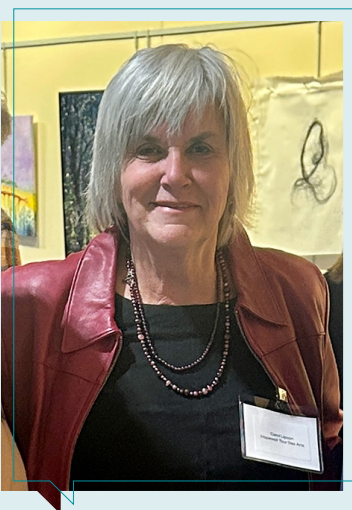
The gallery reflects the mission of Capital Health's Healing Arts Committee, bringing together volunteers, artists, and caregivers to create spaces that promote healing through the arts. Local artists



loan their work, committee members volunteer their time, and Discharge Lounge staff help ensure the environment offers patients and families comfort during their transition home.

All artwork is available for public viewing and purchase. Twenty five percent of each sale supports the Healing Arts program and helps fund future exhibitions, live performances, and therapeutic arts initiatives to enrich the patient experience.

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CAROL LIPSON
Patient and Committee Member

"As a member of the Healing Arts Steering Committee, I had spent years attending gallery openings and supporting the program, but I never imagined I would one day experience Capital Health from the patient perspective. Last September, I suffered a cardiac arrest and was rushed to Capital Health Medical Center – Hopewell, where I spent a week recovering in the ICU. I felt supported every step of the way, and it brought my family peace of mind.

Nearly a year later, I feel grateful to be here celebrating life. One of the most meaningful moments came during a return visit to the Emergency Department for an unrelated issue, when the physician who had helped resuscitate me recognized me and reminded me that she was part of the team that brought me back. It was a powerful reminder of the incredible people at Capital Health and the difference they make every day."

– DR. ABRAHAM GEORGE MEMORIAL –

Golf Tournament



240

Golfers



25

Lawn Game Players



350

Reception Attendees



42

Event Sponsors

The proceeds from this year's Dr. Abraham George Memorial Golf Tournament will benefit the continued expansion of maternal and child health services and programs at Capital Health, strengthening care for mothers and newborns while supporting the clinical teams who serve them every day.

"Events like this reflect the strength of the connection between Capital Health and the community we serve. This impact is not only immediate, but long-term and life-changing for families across our region." Randi A. Axelrod, MD, FAAP, Director of Capital Health Neonatal Intensive Care.

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CHAIRMAN'S RECEPTION

A TOAST TO EXCELLENCE

THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 3, 2026 • 5:00 P.M.

THE STONE TERRACE
2275 KUSER ROAD • HAMILTON, NJ

The Chairman's Reception celebrates medical excellence, transformational philanthropy, and significant milestone achievements. This year's event honors the successful completion of Phase I of the Trenton Neighborhood Initiative (TNI).



TO LEARN MORE about the celebration or for ticket information, visit capitalhealth.org/donate/events/chairmans-reception.



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Trenton Neighborhood Initiative: LIVE in Action

Here in Trenton, prospective homebuyers are gaining knowledge, resources, and financial assistance needed to buy a home and build long-term financial stability.

To date, through Trenton Neighborhood Initiative's (TNI) LIVE pillar:

- ... 202 prospective home buyers received financial counseling.
- ... 57 residents purchased homes
- ... \$12.7 million created in home equity

Each new homeowner is creating greater housing stability, stronger neighborhoods, and lasting investment in Trenton's future. Thank you to all TNI partners and supporters for helping residents build lasting stability through homeownership.

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The counseling gave me a great introduction to the homebuying process, as I knew virtually nothing beforehand. The down payment assistance was crucial in helping me purchase a home with a monthly mortgage payment similar to what I'd been paying for my apartment. Buying a home has given me more peace, security, and rootedness in Trenton.”



TERRY,
2026 Homebuyer

Trenton Neighborhood Initiative BY THE NUMBERS

**Based on estimated \$223,446 per home bought as part of Homebuyers Assistance Program*

Updated June 2026

LIVE



57 Homes Bought

202 Prospective Buyers Received Financial Counseling

13 Homes Repaired

\$12.7 Million in Potential Home Equity*

WORK



212 Mercer County Community College Scholarships

16 "I am the Change" Scholarships with the Smith Family Foundation

GROW



23,030 Bags of Food Served with Arm in Arm Food Pantry

25,460 Meals Served by Trenton Area Soup Kitchen

249 Families Receiving Support Services

CONNECT



446 Computers Given to Trentonians

446 Personal Computer Education Sessions

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