# OUR COMMUNITY IMPACT



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In 2024, we...



added **74 employed, affiliated and telehealth providers** 



made nearly \$2.2 million in capital improvements



distributed a payroll of more than \$39 million to 460 employees



donated more than **\$14.5 million** in services to those in need



paid more than \$6.6 million in taxes



This Community Benefit Report shares various measures of our hospital's positive impact on the surrounding communities – an impact that simply would not be possible without the support of our communities who make Southwestern Medical Center their healthcare provider of choice.

Please know that we truly value our partnership with you and hope you take pride in how that partnership has helped make Southwestern

the exceptional hospital it is today. In 2024, for instance, we earned the prestigious "A" Safety Grade from Leapfrog, were named to Newsweek's list of "America's Best-In-State Hospitals 2024," received Healthgrades' 2024 Outstanding Patient Experience Award, and were one of 100 hospitals included in the 2024 Becker's Hospital Review listing of "Great Community Hospitals."

This report speaks to many of our hospital's contributions that start with providing high-quality care when you need it, close to home. We continue to invest in our healthcare professionals and our facility to ensure your care is managed by skilled clinicians using the latest technology and equipment. We also remain one of the area's largest employers, taxpayers, and charitable donors in terms of the uncompensated care we provide each year as well as our support of local organizations.

Southwestern Medical Center is a great hospital serving a great community—that's how great partnerships are supposed to work. We look forward to continuing to serve you in 2025 and thank you for choosing our hospital and being our partners in better health and a better Lawton-Ft. Sill.

Sincerely, Libby Ferguson, Interim CEO Southwestern Medical Center

# 2024 Success Spotlight

Recruiting skilled clinicians to our hospital and community and supporting them in their new roles is critical to ensuring access to high-quality care across a broad spectrum of services. In 2024, we added 74 providers in areas that included Anesthesiology, Cardiovascular Disease, Dentistry, Emergency Medicine, General Surgery, In-Patient Care, Internal Medicine, Neurosurgery, Orthopedic Surgery, Pain Medicine, Psychiatry, Teleneurology, and Teleradiology.

Investments in our facilities – from infrastructure to the latest healthcare technology – ensure that our hospital can continue to meet the community's evolving healthcare needs. Last year, we spent nearly \$2.2 million on capital improvements that encompassed building renovations, computer upgrades, orthopedic surgery equipment, radiology equipment, and ultrasound equipment.

Our greatest asset is our people, so we aspire to create an environment where talent is recognized, job satisfaction is valued, and our employees can effectively use their skills to provide high-quality care and service.

In 2024, we provided more than 14.5 million in services to those in need of healthcare but without the means to pay.

We are proud to be a leader in the Lawton-Ft. Sill area and our partnership with the local community is manifest in many ways, from being a large taxpayer and employer to being a supporter of several local organizations.

### SPONSORSHIPS AND DONATIONS

It was our pleasure to be able to support several organizations and events during the past year, including the following:

- » Buffalo Soldiers
- » Cameron University
- » Duncan High School Athletics
- » Elgin High School Athletics
- » Great Plains & Lawton AMBUCS
- » Holiday in the Park
- » Lawton Family YMCA
- » Lawton Fort Sill Chamber of Commerce
- » Lawton Public Schools Foundation & High School Athletics Programs
- » Oklahoma Parkinson's Alliance

## 2024 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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## ACCREDITATIONS/CERTIFICATIONS

American College of Cardiology - Chest Pain Center

Commission for Accreditation of Rehabilitation
Facilities (CARF) – Southwestern Rehabilitation Center

**The Joint Commission** – Hospital Accreditation

**The Joint Commission** – Ambulatory Health Care Certification

The Joint Commission - Laboratory Services Accreditation

**The Joint Commission** – Advanced Stroke Center

**The Joint Commission** – Southwestern Behavioral Health

**The Joint Commission** – The Imaging Center

**The Joint Commission** – Surgery Center of Southwest Oklahoma

**The Joint Commission** – Center for Wound Healing & Hyperbarics



## **ECONOMIC IMPACT**

Charity and other uncompensated care	\$14,541,021
(Includes charity care, uninsured discounts and uncompensated care)	
Community benefit programs	\$399,080
Community health services	\$22,500
Financial contributions	\$26,250
Physician recruitment	\$321,109
Professional development	\$18,677
Tuition reimbursement	\$10,544

Taxes paid	\$6,600,408
Property and other taxes	\$551,948
Provider taxes	\$2,706,000
Payroll taxes	\$2,422,728
Local sales taxes	\$459,866
State sales taxes	\$459,866

2024 TOTAL: **\$21,540,509** 

Charity care and other uncompensated care include charity care, uninsured discounts, and uncompensated care. Physician recruitment costs include recruitment costs and support of new physicians' initial practice establishment in the community. Payroll includes consolidated salaries, wages, benefits, and contract labor costs. Capital investments include facility expansions/renovations, equipment purchases, technology replacement, information technology additions/updates, and routine facility upkeep and maintenance. All references to "ScionHealth" or the "Company" used in this release refer to subsidiaries of Knight Health Holdings, LLC.

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