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DONOR IMPACT REPORT 2020
At Elizabeth Seton Children’s, we derive inspiration from the extraordinary children we care for and love each day.

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Dear Friends,

We are beyond grateful to all of you for standing with us during this pandemic. Your support helped us set a new standard of care and education that saved and enriched our children’s lives and is best practice.

The story of 2020 at Elizabeth Seton Children’s is one of extraordinary challenge and growth. Each member of our community endured the trauma of a global pandemic combined with the knowledge that the children and young adults we love and care for are especially susceptible to COVID-19.

2020 showed how sacrifice and devotion can bind a community through a year like no other. As difficult as it was for all those in our care, their families and our staff, it was a year of hope. And it showed just how strong we are – together.

This dedication kept our children free from COVID-19 at Elizabeth Seton Children’s Center for 300 consecutive days; our miracle of 2020.

We also owe our most sincere and heartfelt gratitude to every health hero across our family of organizations. Our staff remained laser-focused on our children’s safety and wellbeing and their commitment, hard work and resilience was truly Herculean. All of us draw inspiration from the children and young adults we care for who live each moment with joy and grace. That is what kept us pushing forward through 2020.

We are excited for the future as our plans to build the first of its kind young adult center on our White Plains campus move forward. We now know that Elizabeth Seton Children’s mission to create possibilities for the young people we are privileged to serve will always live on no matter what adversity comes our way.

Thank you for investing in Elizabeth Seton Children’s. Each gift made is transformative and truly enhances the lives of our precious children and young adults.

With deep appreciation,

Pat Tursi
CEO
2020: THE TRIUMPHS OF A YEAR LIKE NO OTHER

February 13, 2020

“BECAUSE OF YOU” RECEPTION OF GRATITUDE

February 29, 2020

VISIT FROM ARCHBISHOP CACCIA, PERMANENT OBSERVER OF THE HOLY SEE TO THE UNITED NATIONS

March 31, 2020

ELIZABETH SETON CHILDREN’S REHABILITATION CENTER LAUNCHES TELEHEALTH IN TANDEM WITH ON-SITE CARE

May 6, 2020

FIRST RESPONDERS’ TRIBUTE TO ELIZABETH SETON CHILDREN’S CENTER
ELIZABETH SETON CHILDREN'S CENTER
CELEBRATES 100 DAYS COVID-FREE

FAMILIES REUNITE WITH INDOOR VISITS AT
ELIZABETH SETON CHILDREN'S CENTER

IN-PERSON SPECIAL EDUCATION RESUMES AT
ELIZABETH SETON CHILDREN’S SCHOOL IN WHITE PLAINS

300 DAYS COVID-FREE:
THE ELIZABETH SETON CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS MIRACLE
In March 2020, when COVID-19 first gripped New York State and the US, the Elizabeth Seton Children’s family of organizations responded proactively and with urgency in order to keep our children, their families and our caregivers safe.

At Elizabeth Seton Children’s Center, we employed stringent infection prevention protocols and closed visitation to family members on March 7, 2020. We staffed only essential caregiving personnel and our other employees worked from home. Due to this planning and swift action, as well as the diligence and sacrifice of more than 700 devoted health heroes, we were remarkably successful at keeping our vulnerable children safe during the pandemic. In fact, all residents remained COVID-free for a consecutive 300 days until the end of December 2020 and continue to remain healthy and safe.

At Elizabeth Seton Children’s School, after our State-mandated March 18, 2020 closure, per Executive Order, we quickly and deftly adapted by developing distance learning curricula. In July 2020, our special education school in White Plains became one of the first schools in the region to safely welcome students back through a hybrid of in-person and remote instruction, which has served as a model to other schools in the Hudson Valley and New York State.
Elizabeth Seton Children’s Rehabilitation Center remained open throughout 2020 as an essential provider. In addition to in-person services, we launched a telemedicine program so rehabilitative and medical visits, as well as equipment/brace orders, could be fulfilled from the comfort of home. With your support, we also supplied technology to families. We provided more than 45,000 unique patient visits in 2020 and served 1,644 children.

As of November 2021, we are thrilled to share that 100 percent of eligible staff at each of our organizations are vaccinated against COVID-19, along with 83 percent of residents at our children’s center (ages 12 and older) with parent/guardian consent.

Our Elizabeth Seton Children’s community is moving forward to navigate through and beyond COVID-19 – tackling each obstacle and reimagining pathways with the expertise and loving care that defines us in order to keep our cherished children and young adults protected and happy.
As a pioneering provider of care and hope for children facing the most challenging medical conditions on earth, Elizabeth Seton Children’s is working with urgency to transform the health care delivery system forever.

With its groundbreaking new young adult center – the first of its kind in the world – Elizabeth Seton Children’s will change the futures of young adults living with multiple, chronic medical conditions who are living longer and healthier lives as a result of medical and technological advancements. Presently, these young people age out of pediatric care when they turn 21 years old. For most, this means transferring to a geriatric nursing facility that is not equipped to handle their specialty medical, social or emotional needs. These young people need and deserve to live in an age-appropriate environment filled with love where they can transition to adulthood.

The Elizabeth Seton Young Adult Center will be a lifetime home with highly specialized, 24/7 care and the most advanced medical technologies available. It will serve as a nationwide model for caring for the complex medical conditions of young adults and be located adjacent to our Elizabeth Seton Children’s Rehabilitation Center and Elizabeth Seton Children’s School in White Plains.

In April 2021, the New York State legislature, with the support of Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Senator Shelley Mayer and Assemblymember Nader Sayegh, passed budget language designating Elizabeth Seton Children’s Center as the only free-standing demonstration project in New York State to construct a specialty nursing home for aging out young adults with medical complexities within the next three years. With this new designation, we have taken a significant step forward.
The bill also allows more than 50 teenage and young adult residents of the children’s center (who will soon age out) to remain with us until our young adult center is built.

Thanks to two major cornerstone gifts from the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation, planning and design are well underway. The Elizabeth Seton Young Adult Center will be a haven for so many: a place where these extraordinary individuals can truly flourish and experience the fullness of life with dignity.

To support this pioneering project, simply scan the QR code on this page or contact Brian Harrington, Senior Vice President of Advancement, at bharrington@setonchildrens.org.
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Elizabeth Seton Children’s School information is for the 2019-2020 school year.

Total Revenue: $137,000,000

Organizational Efficiency:
- 89% Program Expenses
- 10% Management Expenses
- <1% Fundraising

In 2020, 1,206 staff members served 2,644 children and families

Philanthropic Support by Source:
- Foundations: 74%
- Civic Organizations: 8%
- Individuals: 12%
- Corporations: 4%
- Gifts in Kind: 2%

TOTAL PHILANTHROPIC SUPPORT: $4,200,000

In 2020, 1,864 gifts were generously made to our family of Elizabeth Seton Children’s organizations

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