

Good Samaritan Foundation

2011 Eatonville Clinic Community Campaign Frequently Asked Questions

Why is there a need for a new clinic?

MultiCare Good Samaritan Hospital currently owns and operates Eatonville's only medical practice, and while the clinic is doing its best to provide services, it still must refer away an average of 11 patients per week. In addition, the nearest x-ray is in South Hill-Puyallup over 18 miles away, and lab results can take several days.

Where will the new clinic be located?

The new MultiCare Eatonville Clinic will be centrally located on Washington Avenue in downtown Eatonville.

What is the size of the new clinic?

When finished, it will be over 5,000 square feet and offer nine exam rooms, one procedure room, and accommodate additional doctors. The new clinic will be three times the size of the existing clinic.

What is the goal of the campaign?

The goal of the Eatonville Clinic Community Campaign is to raise a minimum of \$200,000 to purchase much-needed imaging equipment. Additional funds will allow us to upgrade lab equipment, increasing the speed and range of results.

Why ask the community for gifts?

Most not-for-profit hospitals are turning to their communities for philanthropic support of critically needed facilities and medical equipment. These community partnerships are essential to the continued provision of quality health care in America. Good Samaritan is no exception. The citizens of Eatonville have a strong and generous history of supporting the community. This Eatonville expansion is an important investment in the lives of everyone in South Pierce County and North Lewis County.

How will Good Samaritan pay for the project?

MultiCare Good Samaritan has an annual budget for capital enhancements funded through positive surpluses, bond financing, and philanthropy. With a tremendous demand for new facilities, the rising cost of construction, diminishing returns on investments, and through evaluation of the maximum debt capacity with MultiCare, we are at our maximum borrowing threshold and must look to philanthropy to enhance this project.

When did Good Samaritan affiliate with MultiCare Health System?

In 2006 Good Samaritan Hospital, including Good Samaritan Clinics in Eatonville and South Hill, the Dr. Richard C. Ostenson Cancer Center, the Children's Therapy Unit, Good Samaritan Surgery Center, Good Samaritan Home Health Hospice and Good Samaritan Community Services affiliated with the not-for-profit MultiCare Health System.

Large health systems provide their affiliated hospitals and clinics with the managerial expertise, the financial benefits of economies of scale and access to capital, and clinical expertise of the most advanced technology. This affiliation has made the new patient care tower at Good Samaritan in Puyallup and the new Eatonville Clinic a reality.

When is the new Eatonville Clinic expected to open?

A groundbreaking ceremony was held on September 8, 2010, with the clinic scheduled to open in April 2011.

How do I give?

Please fill out an Eatonville Clinic Community Campaign pledge form available at www.goodsamfoundation.org. There are many convenient giving options. Since this is a historic event, pledges can be made over several years.

What if I want my gift to be anonymous?

The amount of your gift will only be shared with the necessary foundation staff. Good Samaritan Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting the programs of MultiCare Good Samaritan Hospital and its affiliated clinics, will keep all donations in the strictest of confidence.

What is next for healthcare in Eatonville?

The new Eatonville Clinic is an important milestone in Eatonville's history. This impressive facility has the flexibility to add additional health care providers and become a true Urgent Care facility. This could pave the way for a skilled nursing facility and other health care related businesses.

What if I have more questions?

Contact Scott Claeys at Good Samaritan Foundation, 253.697.2839 or goodsamfoundation.org.

Are gifts to the campaign tax-deductable?

Your gift to the Eatonville Clinic Community Campaign is tax-deductable as allowable by law. Good Samaritan Foundation is a registered charitable organization under IRS Section 501(c)(3), TIN 91-2004312.