

THE CITY OF HOPE STORY

City of Hope is committed to transforming the future. As a world-renowned biomedical research, treatment and education center, we shorten the time from new research idea to new medical treatment in order to quickly bring cures to patients. Our drive to revolutionize the treatment of cancer, diabetes and other life-threatening diseases is based, in part, on our success. City of Hope's compassionate care model has been adopted by hospitals across the globe, even as our research has led to synthetic human insulin, used by millions worldwide with diabetes, and to the lifesaving cancer drugs Rituxan, Avastin and Herceptin. That success is a testament to the transformative power of philanthropy.

Empowered by City of Hope supporters, our scientists and physicians quickly translate laboratory breakthroughs into groundbreaking treatments.

And our work is just beginning.



Lions Clubs International
Family Center at City of Hope

The Family Center at Hope and Parsons Village



Patient Needs

Lions Clubs International and City of Hope share a history of humanitarian service and both organizations have made tremendous contributions for the good of mankind. The Lions' support for City of Hope over the last five decades has been an invaluable resource in furthering City of Hope's mission of advancing science while providing compassionate care.

Guided by our philosophy of treating the whole patient, not just their disease, City of Hope provides resources to address all our patients' needs. For this reason, we built Hope and Parsons Village, affordable on-campus housing situated in a beautiful landscaped setting. These accommodations enable patients to remain close to medical treatment and supportive care services while continuing their outpatient care. Because we recognize that having the support of loved ones is central to a person's ability to heal, relatives and caregivers also may reside with patients. In addition, we provide financial assistance to patients who cannot afford their stay. Approximately half of all patients stay for free due to significant financial constraints.

Many patients who no longer require in-hospital care still need frequent medical treatments that may last for months. Among those with the longest stays are patients who undergo bone marrow transplants. These patients typically require 100 days of care after their transplant and in some cases may be monitored for as long as a year. As a result, they must reside close enough to the City of Hope campus to make daily or weekly visits for medical appointments. However, many patients travel long distances to receive care at City of Hope — from around the world, in fact — and there is an urgent need for low-cost housing to accommodate these patients.

Hope and Parsons Village provides patients with housing on the City of Hope campus in a tranquil and verdant setting. The Village comprises 40 bungalows that give patients a private space to call their own while also giving them easy access to the medical care they need. Located immediately adjacent to the bungalows is the Village Center. This facility offers a wide array of amenities for families residing in the bungalows, and also serves families whose loved ones are hospitalized at City of Hope Helford Clinical Research Hospital.

Features of the Village Center include:

- A full kitchen and lounge
- Full bathrooms with showers
- A computer room that is open seven days a week, providing patients and caregivers with free computer use and Internet access
- The Cuervo Comedy Theater, which serves as a space for performances by musicians, comedians and other entertainers, a meeting place for patient support groups and a venue for other events
- A laundry room with four washing machines and dryers, available free of charge
- And much more



The Need for the Family Center

While the Village Center offers a haven for patients and their families during distressing times, City of Hope recognized that it needed some key upgrades. The Village Center had not been renovated in more than 15 years, and wear and tear during this period had significantly affected the physical state of the facility. Relying on the pledged support of Lions Clubs International, beginning in the summer of 2010, the center underwent an extensive renovation and upgrade, including the following improvements:



- Renovation of the lounge, including the conversion of a patio into indoor space and the addition of new living and dining room furniture; the space also features an expanded computer area and patient library
- Upgrade of the kitchen with new appliances, cabinets and countertops
- Installation of a new air conditioning system and new windows and doors
- Expansion and renovation of the reception area and office space to accommodate additional seating; a new office area allows patients to meet privately with staff to discuss financial matters and other concerns
- Upgrade of the Cuervo Comedy Theater, including new lighting, furniture and audio/visual equipment, as well as new entrance doors



- Expansion of the center's front veranda, including a larger porch, garden landscaping, seating and a water feature

The Village Center fundraising program, with a goal of \$1 million by November 2014, provides for the restoration of the Family Center in Hope and Parsons Village. In recognition, the center will be renamed as the Lions Clubs International Family Center at City of Hope. By championing this project, you help make this vital facility even more comfortable, beautiful and welcoming for our patients and their families, providing a place where they can rest and recuperate in tranquil surroundings.

◀ Conference center and kitchen before and after renovations

Donations

Donations of any amount from individuals or Clubs are graciously accepted and deeply appreciated.

Please make checks payable to City of Hope, include 'Lions Family Center' in the memo line and mail to:

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You may download a donation form from our website at: www.cityofhope.org/lions

You may also donate to the Family Center Campaign via our secure online website at www.cityofhope.org/familycenter

We are immensely proud of our partnership with the Lions. We look forward to the future and the opportunity to place the Lions Clubs International name permanently on the Family Center when we reach our \$1 million goal.

Thank You For Your Support!