



The Impact of Giving

THE ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

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THE FUTURE OF CHILDREN'S HEALTH IS IN OUR HANDS

The Royal Children's Hospital Foundation supports **The Royal Children's Hospital**, and also its campus partners, **Murdoch Childrens Research Institute** and **The University of Melbourne Department of Paediatrics**.

The collaboration of these partners creates a world-class children's hospital campus incorporating clinical care, research and teaching. Together, we share a commitment to improving the health outcomes of children now and in the future.

The Children's

Excellence in
clinical care,
research and
education





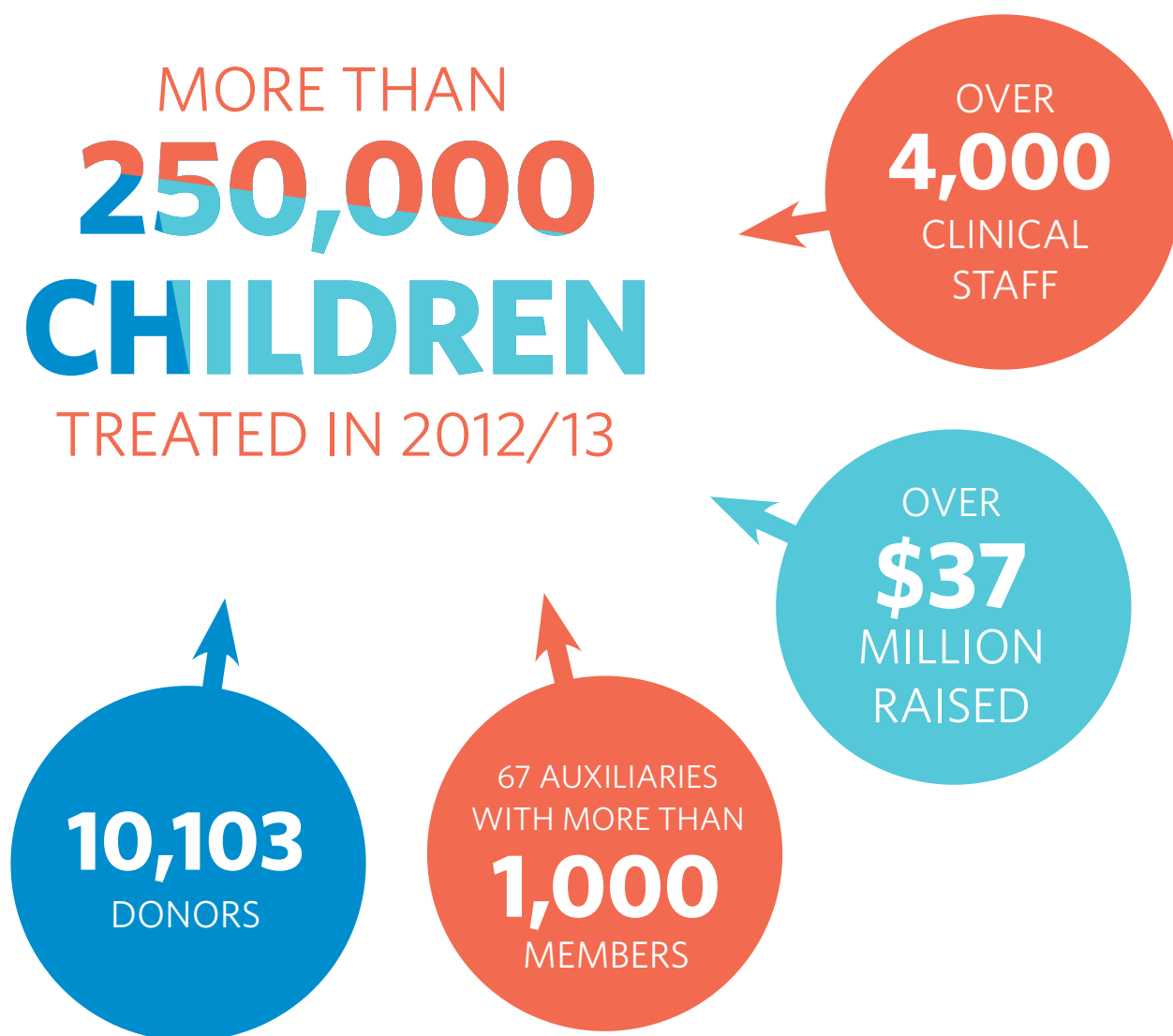
Our cover boy is Theo, 3, an adventurous and perceptive little boy who was born with a condition affecting the blood vessels in his brain. He spent five weeks in the RCH Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and is now cared for by the Children's Neuroscience Centre.

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IT TAKES A COMMUNITY

With your support the Foundation is able to help the hospital provide world class treatment for children now and into the future.

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Peter Yates, Chairman and Sue Hunt, Executive Director

The Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) has been part of this State and our lives for more than 143 years. Who would have thought then that one day it would touch the lives of hundreds of thousands of families each year?

Would those early leaders have known that one day they would be part of a tradition that attracted the attention of Dame Elisabeth Murdoch resulting in her near 70 years of involvement? Would they have suspected that the love and support of those that came after them would transform a small Carlton terrace house into the outstanding facility that is now a world-leading integrated clinical, research, education and learning campus?

Today, the future of children's health is in our hands...what a challenge we set ourselves! As we reflect on another year of supporting the hospital, it is humbling to know how much the people of Victoria believe in that challenge. Right now, in places all around Victoria, generous people are helping to create the future for our precious children. They are a part of a movement that is making a life-changing impact on the care and treatment that The Royal Children's Hospital is able to deliver.

As you read this report, you are part of that movement. The stories that we are sharing with you show how donations make a significant and long-lasting difference. Your donation leads to life-saving treatment. Your support means that children will have access to the best equipment.

Your commitment provides for research that will change the way we think about childhood disease.

At the RCH Foundation we are committed to making the best use of the funds that donors entrust us with. We hope to inspire the community to continue to support the hospital and to invest in its future. With the help of donations we will create the future today. We will help the hospital to become a global centre of excellence in care and treatment of the sickest and most vulnerable children. Through philanthropy, each one of us changes the future for the better. Your efforts – when combined – are helping create our greatest legacies for children.

The stories in this report are just some examples from one year of support. Imagine what we can all do when we show this support every year. On our watch, through the strong connection that every person in Victoria has to this great children's hospital we will ensure that today's children have the future they deserve and that generations to come will feel our legacy.

Thank you to each and every supporter – this year and every year. Thank you to the hospital for giving us all the reason to give and thank you to the children, in whom we place our trust for the future.

Peter Yates AM - Chairman
Sue Hunt - Executive Director



Professor Christine Kilpatrick, CEO, The Royal Children's Hospital

The past year has been another challenging and exciting time for The Royal Children's Hospital (RCH).

Demand for our services has grown to unprecedented levels, and in the past financial year, more than 77,695 children attended our Emergency Department, 241,822 specialist clinic appointments were held, 11,833 surgeries were performed and more than 36,242 children were admitted to the hospital.

In looking at the ever increasing demand for our services, healthcare must evolve to keep meeting the needs of our community.

What makes working at the RCH so exciting is that we, along with our campus partners, are driving innovations that shape the future of children's healthcare and set the standard across Victoria and influence outcomes nationally and even, internationally.

Working together delivers an eloquent formula for excellence: through science we discover new ways to make sick children well. Through direct bedside care we translate that knowledge into better health outcomes and happier lives, and through education and training we embed our knowledge and the importance of discovery in the next generation of paediatric specialists.

At every step of this equation, support from our donor community enables our clinicians, researchers and educators to push boundaries, try new things, innovate and, with each breakthrough and step forward, contribute to the overall future directions of paediatric care nationally and internationally.

None of this would be possible without the incredible support of a strong and innovative fundraising foundation. Behind every great children's hospital is a great fundraising foundation.

On behalf of the hospital, I thank all those who donate to the RCH for your contribution and support of our work. This year, through your generosity, we have purchased more than \$1.2 million worth of specialist equipment, contributed \$5.2 million to new research projects and invested \$4.6 million in developing our staff.

Ongoing donor support for the innovative and leading work undertaken across the Children's campus ensures a bright future for children's healthcare.

Professor Christine Kilpatrick

Chief Executive Officer - The Royal Children's Hospital



**THIS YEAR OVER
77,000**
children attended the
Emergency Department



11,833
surgeries performed to
help Victoria's sick kids



36,242
children stayed overnight
at the RCH in 2012/13



Isla Hallam, face of the 2013 RCH Good Friday Appeal

Meet three year old Isla Hallam who has spent much of her young life isolated from the outside world to protect her vulnerable immune system. Now in remission Isla and her amazing story encouraged our loyal donors, corporate sponsors and volunteers to get behind the RCH Good Friday Appeal in 2013.



20,000
phone pledges made



\$3.2
million donated online



900,000
dollars cash collected
by dedicated volunteers

Someone told me when I started at the RCH Good Friday Appeal as Executive Director, that most people underestimate how big the RCH Good Friday Appeal really is. Having survived my first Appeal and achieved an amazing outcome; I can say, "They were absolutely 100% right!"

Run for the Kids kicked off "Week for the Kids" with 35,000 participants resulting in a \$2m donation towards the Appeal.

The hard work of our devoted volunteer army witnessed the incredible giving from Victorians for this much loved charity. The Channel 7 Telethon at Etihad Stadium was a great success with over 20,000 phone pledges, \$3.2million donated on line and over \$900,000 in cash collected by our volunteer groups such as the CFA, Uncle Bobs Club and Pied Pipers. These donations were then counted and receipted by our NAB and ESTA volunteers.

The Kids Day Out event attracted a big crowd of 30,000; all of whom enjoyed the activities on offer - the popular Teddy Bear Hospital and the creative drawing wall. At the hospital George Calombaris cooked up a storm for patients and visitors.

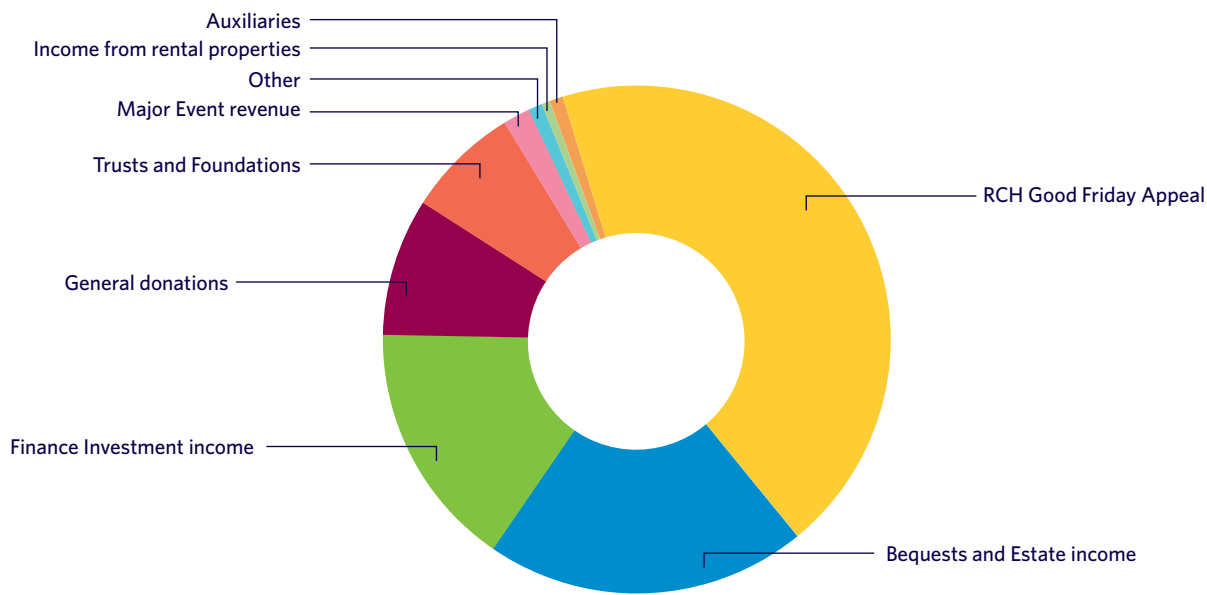
Thank you to little patient, Isla Hallam and her family, our many dedicated volunteers and fundraisers throughout the State, our media partners; The Herald & Weekly Times, Channel 7 and 3AW - we could not do it without you!

Deb Hallmark

Executive Director - RCH Good Friday Appeal



FOUNDATION INCOME 2012/13	2013 (\$)	2013 (%)
RCH Good Friday Appeal	16,405,535	44
Bequests and Estate income	7,691,985	20
Finance Investment income	5,850,562	16
General Donations	3,277,349	9
Trusts and Foundations	2,680,076	7
Major Event revenue	666,327	2
Other	328,613	1
Income from rental properties	175,366	0
Auxiliaries	316,708	1
Totals	37,392,521	100



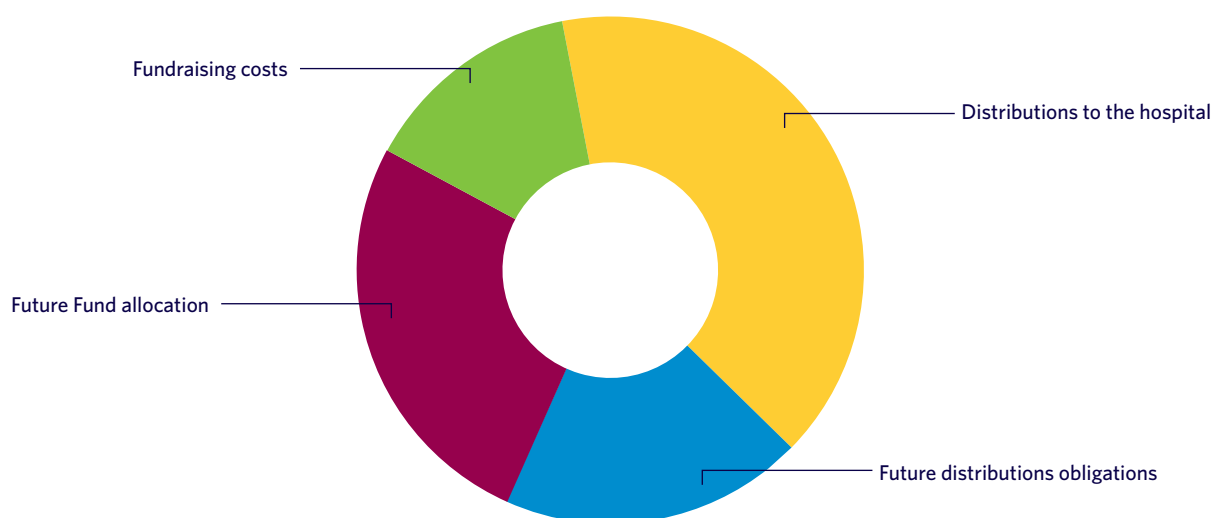
MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS THIS YEAR

IN CELEBRATION
donations throughout the year for
Miracle Baby Connor reach over
\$10,000

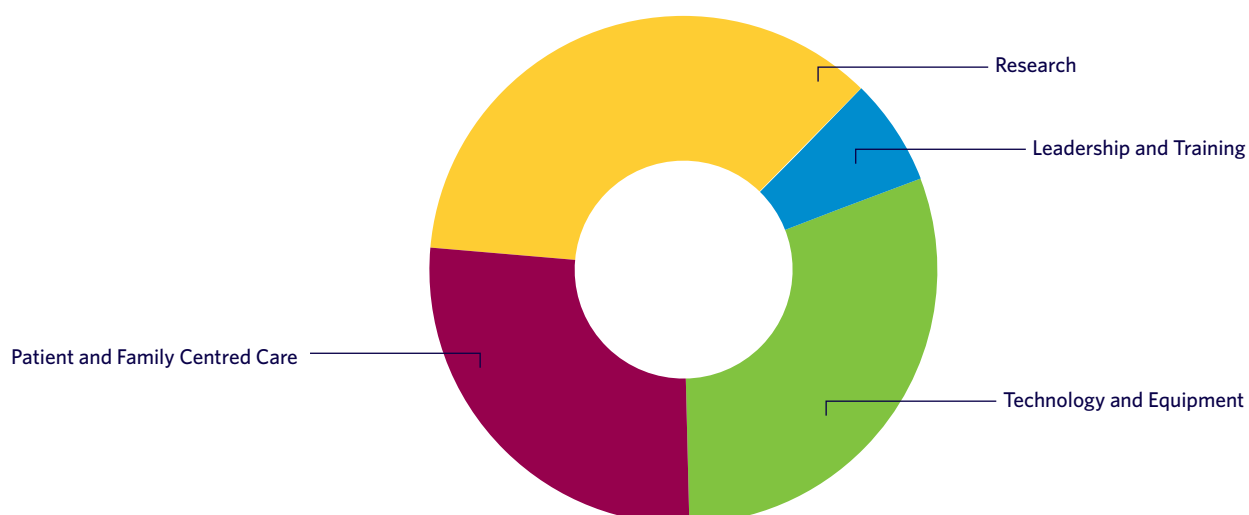
\$250,000
donation to the RCH launches
an exciting new partnership with
Bendigo Bank

\$55,000
raised through **CIKA's** coach
drive - communities from
Port Fairy to Melbourne were
rallied to support research into
childhood cancer as the coach
travelled the Great Ocean Road

DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME	2013 (\$)	2013 (%)
Distributions to the hospital	15,098,871	40
Future distribution obligations	7,299,763	20
Future Fund allocation	9,755,733	26
Fundraising costs	5,238,154	14
Totals	37,392,521	100



HOW FUNDS WERE SPENT	2013 (\$)	2013 (%)
Research	5,250,977	36
Leadership and Training	4,648,666	30
Technology and Equipment	1,026,696	7
Patient and Family Centred Care	4,092,531	27
Totals	15,018,870	100



Thanks to the support of donors and fundraisers, our sick children benefit from the expertise of the best and brightest medical minds, ground-breaking research that pushes the boundaries of paediatric health care, the most modern and advanced equipment that changes lives, and nurturing care that puts children and families first.

But the work doesn't stop there. There will be many more children and their families who will require support from the hospital for years to come. So we must continue to invest for the future to ensure we are positioned strongly to provide world-class care.

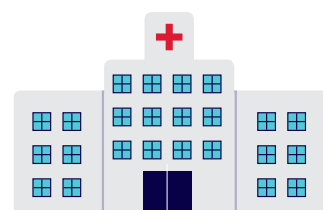
The following initiatives demonstrated leadership, vision and compassion in fundraising for The Royal Children's Hospital now and into the future. It goes to show that all efforts – no matter how big or small – can create profound and lasting change.



42 executives on bikes conquered Victoria's 7 highest peaks



500 people honoured Dame Elisabeth Murdoch's philanthropic spirit



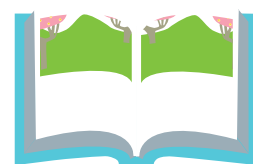
2012 Wyatt is one of the first patients to use the 'intra operative MRI'



\$250,000 raised for the hospital



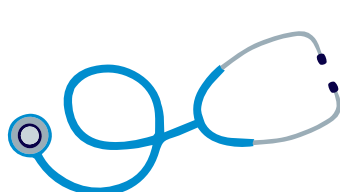
\$76,000+ raised on the day



THE MAGIC MONEY FAN is written by Wyatt and his family.



PIPER Ambulance purchased to service children and their families statewide



INSPIRING RCH NURSE awarded scholarship, making a difference to the care we give our young patients



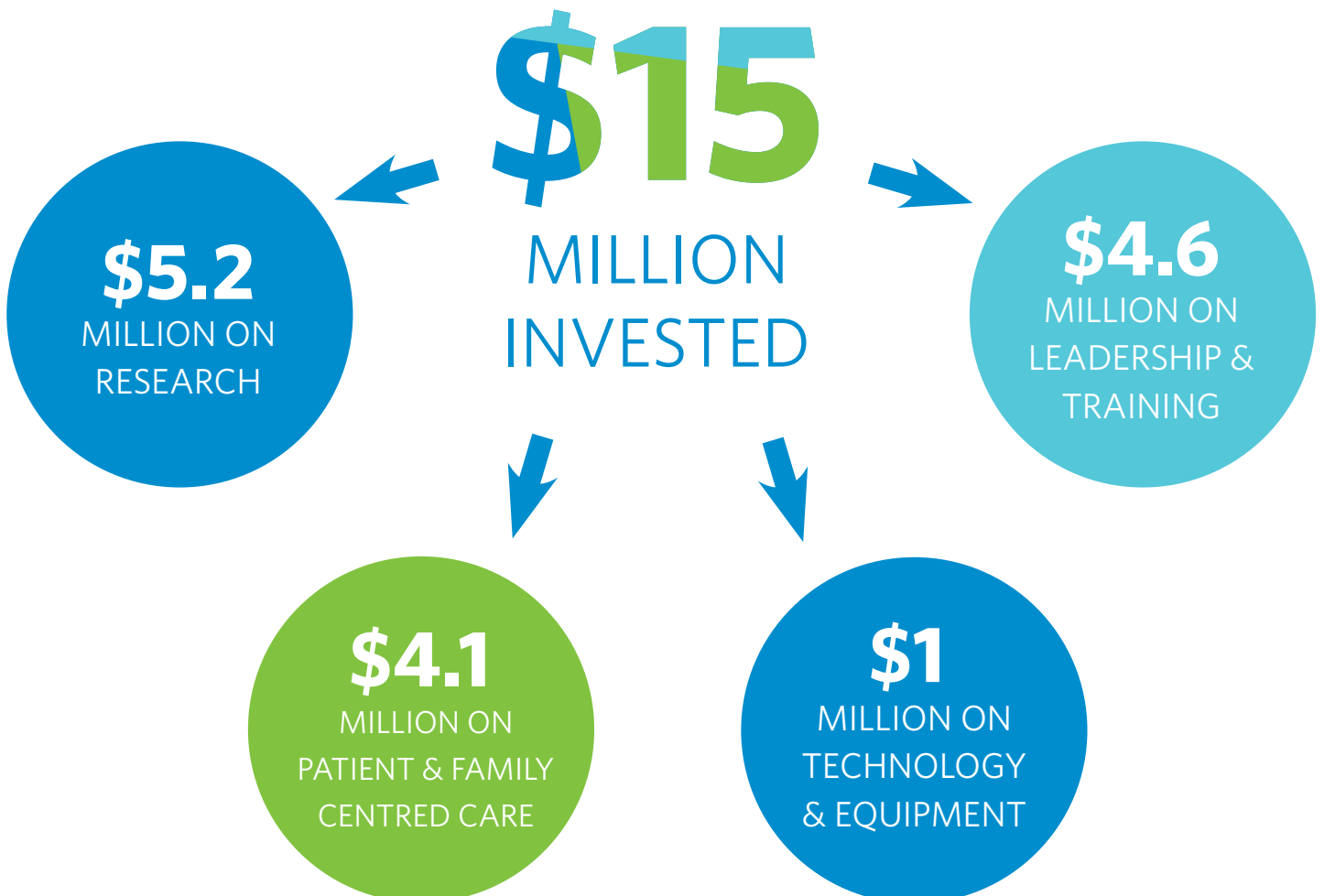
OVER 500 copies are sold raising more than \$5,000

WHERE DONOR DOLLARS GO

Philanthropy has enormous impact at The Royal Children's Hospital.

All funds donated to the Foundation are preserved for the purpose of medical excellence. Every contribution is channelled into world class training, research, and equipment for the hospital - all the areas that make a good hospital a great hospital.

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Professor Tony Penington, Jigsaw Foundation Chair, with patient Trishna Mollik and her guardian, Atom Rahman

Imagine being a perfectly normal child in every way, except one. You have a chronically deformed face. Every time you are in public, adults and other children stare at you. You are intelligent, aware and deeply affected by how your condition impacts your life. Thanks to a new, collaboratively funded position at The Royal Children's Hospital (RCH), these children have a chance of a brighter future.

University of Melbourne Professor and RCH plastic surgeon Tony Penington has been appointed the inaugural Chair of Paediatric Plastic and Maxillofacial Surgery, where he will lead a clinical research program that will influence plastic surgery practice. This will help ensure patients across Australia and internationally receive the highest level of care.

This esteemed role has been possible thanks to the vision and drive of the Jigsaw Foundation, who advocate and fund research, education and surgical training to help children with major facial deformities.

Through ongoing community support, the Foundation has been able to pledge \$5 million of funding to support this important work, with the Federal and State Governments each matching this \$5 million pledge. Jigsaw Foundation is contributing an additional \$300,000.

The most famous faces assisted by the RCH maxillofacial team are those of formerly conjoined twins, Trishna and Krishna, who captured the nation's hearts in 2009 in their fight for survival. The pair defied all odds to survive extraordinarily complex surgery.

Trishna's joint guardian Atom Rahman said he is thrilled that many more children and their families from around the world will benefit from this initiative. "That will mean that people like Trishna and Krishna may have hope, which they have never had in the past," he said.

"We were so close to losing them from the time that they were born. It is a miracle that they are both here."

The Jigsaw Foundation Chair, Professor Tony Penington, said he is looking forward to his new challenge.

"The Jigsaw and The Royal Children's Hospital Foundations, and the State and Federal governments are investing in the idea that medical research has the capacity to transform the lives of children who suffer from deformity and disease," Professor Penington said.

"The children who come under our care deserve not only the best care we can give them today, but the hope for a better future that only medical research can provide.

"At the RCH Campus partners, exciting research is going on today, especially in the area of genomics, that in the next few years will lead to changes in the way we understand disease, and that will lead to new and better treatments. I am very excited about what can be achieved," he said.

The position is a joint appointment with The University of Melbourne Department of Paediatrics, The Royal Children's Hospital and Murdoch Childrens Research Institute.



Ilario, showing off his creation using the new Create Explore Learn app

The Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) is home to some wonderful features and special creatures that help make the hospital an exciting and uplifting place for children and their families.

With mischievous meerkats, a kaleidoscopic tropical aquarium and a friendly 'Creature' that stands four storeys tall, the RCH is known as a place where healing and learning can happen side-by-side.

An innovative new iPhone and iPad app does just that, thanks to generous support from Amalgamated Holdings Limited, the RCH Education Institute and games and digital production studio, Media Saints. Children are encouraged to use their imaginations to create artworks, explore vibrant RCH spaces and places, and learn about the artists, designers, zoo keepers, divers and of course, health professionals that make the RCH a truly great hospital. The beauty is that it helps the RCH connect with children not just in hospital, but in their homes and schools.

Receiving critical acclaim, the Create Explore Learn app features stunning videos, artist interviews and interactive activities to inspire children and adults alike.

"It is well researched that the arts are fundamental to children's learning," said Glenda Strong, Executive Director of the RCH Education Institute. "For us as educators, the arts are a vehicle for drawing on kids' creativity, and immediately engaging kids in learning.

"Art is also a useful distraction for patients. This app inspires children to explore the vibrant spaces of the RCH and learn about the artists, designers, zoo keepers and divers who all contribute to making the RCH an uplifting place for children and families," she said.

Glenda said the app appeals to families as well as educators around the world. "I can see enormous potential for this app to be used by teachers in schools all around the country, even beyond.

"The app has universal appeal and the resources that we have developed alongside it to support teachers make it a rich learning experience for children in schools and other learning settings."

Australian artists Alexander Knox, who created the hospital's 14-metre tall sculpture Creature, and Jade Oakley, who designed the whimsical mobiles Sky Garden, recently explored the new Create Explore Learn app with RCH patients.

"This app combines the art of play and artful distraction to enrich children's experience and enhance their understanding of their environment," Jade said.

Projects like this are only made possible through donors' vision and support. Their commitment to make the hospital a world-class institution where children are engaged and empowered go above and beyond our expectation of what a hospital can deliver.



Families can experience great hardship and strain due to their child's serious illness. It's important to have the support of donors and fundraisers. The RCH community are willing to help any way they can.



2 KIDS

out of every 1000 births in Australia will be diagnosed as having cerebral palsy before the age of five



\$40,000 SCHOLARSHIP

funded by Pelican Auxiliary, awarded to RCH nurse Sacha Peterson, to research sleep disturbance in children with chronic illness or disability

YOUR IMPACT

Because of your support, kids like William access the very best care. With the goal to find answers to child health problems, the RCH and its campus partners strive for medical excellence. Your donations ensure families like William's benefit from their discoveries. Your impact? Improving the wellbeing of our kids.

William, 9, is an easy going boy who always enjoys a laugh – even during this photoshoot, where his giggle was contagious! With cerebral palsy quadriplegia he receives ongoing care from the RCH. His Mum, Natalie, shares their family's story.

Tell us your family's story: William has been receiving compassionate care from the RCH for the past 6 years. His condition means that all the muscles in his body are very tight. He has been cared for by the Department of Developmental Medicine, Orthopaedics, Gastroenterology, and Neurosurgery. He has undergone various surgeries and RCH staff have always been supportive, dedicated, understanding.

What impact have donors had on your family's life?

We visit the hospital frequently due to the complexity of William's condition. He will require ongoing treatment for the rest of his life. But we are positive he will overcome various challenges thanks to the support he gets from the RCH.

What would you say to people to encourage them to support the hospital? You may never know when you will require the services of the RCH, they do great work and need your support.

How is William now? He enjoys the outdoors, loves to ride his trike, go in his walker and watch AFL football on TV with his Dad.

What does the future hold? He requires ongoing monitoring, primarily through the Department of Developmental Medicine and we look forward to the RCH's continued ongoing support and care.



Thank you to the RCH for saving our beautiful daughter Chloe. The care she received was incredible. We realise other families lost their babies and we are very grateful to have Chloe with us.

Chloe, 9, was born with a hole in her diaphragm. She was rushed to the RCH Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, and is now a thriving grade four student. We spoke with her Mum, Carolyn, about the impact donors have had on their family.

Tell us your family's story: Chloe's organs were in her chest when she was born, which put pressure on her lungs. She was transferred from another hospital by the Neonatal Emergency Transfer Service to the RCH. It was a stressful time but the RCH team stepped in and saved her. Our family has had to make many adjustments since that time around Chloe's condition but it has all been worth it.

What impact have donors had on your family's life?

What would we do without that support? More people need to appreciate the wonderful resource that is on our doorstep. We've been inspired to host yearly fundraising stalls at the Aspendale Garden Shopping Centre where we sell Auxiliaries merchandise. It has been a very healing experience for our whole family and we are getting better at raising money!

It sounds like this has had a huge impact on your family.

It has. Chloe also has two older half-sisters and one of them was so affected by Chloe's experience she's now a paediatric nurse at the RCH.

How is Chloe now? She's currently in grade four and is a friendly, loving little girl who enjoys swimming, reading, being with her family and friends, and doing puzzles. While she still has one smaller lung, seeing her grow and sharing her life is wonderful.

What are you looking forward to? Seeing Chloe get stronger, healthier and enjoying her life. We hope by the time she is at secondary school she will have fewer restrictions around her diet and medications.



OVER 650

babies are treated in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit each year



26 NICU

cots are currently sponsored by donors at a cost of \$5,000 each

YOUR IMPACT

Because of your support, vulnerable kids and their families receive support at every step of their hospital journey. Your donations ensure the RCH can offer programs that help children and their families during uncertain and stressful times. Your impact? Improving hospital experiences for families.



I encourage everyone to open your hearts and give what you can. I never thought this would happen to my family, but the RCH not only saved Jaylee's life, they helped our whole family.



14 iPads

purchased with donated funds enabling Play Therapists to deliver 4,635 individualised procedural preparation sessions.



8,464

patients were supported by Educational Play Therapy in 2012-13.

YOUR IMPACT

Because of your support, sick children like Jaylee access the very best technology and equipment when they need it most. Your donations ensure families like Jaylee's are supported using the most advanced tools. Your impact? Life-saving and life-changing care.

Jaylee, 8, became extremely sick suddenly. A streptococcal infection struck taking everyone by surprise. We spoke with her mum, Tracey, about Jaylee's love of life and how the exceptional RCH staff gave this little girl her life back.

Tell us your family's story. Jaylee complained of a sore throat, but when I took her to a doctor I was told she was fine. That weekend she had trouble breathing and went into respiratory arrest. All of a sudden she was on life support at the RCH. She had heart surgery because her heart couldn't pump on its own. We were worried she wasn't going to survive.

What impact have donors had on your family's life?

I think the RCH is amazing. If the hospital didn't have the funding they need for the most advanced equipment, maybe they couldn't have saved Jaylee's life? They used every single machine on her and without that care being there, she might not be alive now.

What gave you hope? When the RCH Play Therapists began working with Jaylee, I could see the little girl I love come back to me. Without them we would have been in big trouble because I couldn't figure out what she was trying to say. It was a huge sign that she was recovering.

How's Jaylee now? We're home. She's exactly the same little girl she was before she collapsed – just loving life. The RCH did such a good job and she's slowly getting back into life at home and school.

What are you looking forward to? Jaylee still has ongoing check-ups at the RCH but there's nothing that we can't handle. I promised Jaylee when she was in a coma that we'll take a family holiday with her brothers and sisters to Queensland together one day. We're looking forward to that.



At one stage we were told, 'Your son only has 12 hours to live.' No parent should have to go through that. But thankfully the next morning Jack showed slight improvement – and from there he got better and better.



ELEVEN

scholarships awarded annually to outstanding RCH staff.



4.6 MILLION DOLLARS

distributed this year to training leaders and educating staff

YOUR IMPACT

Because of you, children like Jack are treated by the best and brightest medical minds. Innovation and excellence ensure the RCH remains at the forefront of paediatric care. Your donations ensure families like Jack's benefit from this world-class care. Your impact? Vulnerable kids have the best care on offer.

Jack, 4, was born without an oesophagus. Battling complications and numerous surgeries he's overcome incredible odds to be an energetic little boy. We spoke with his mum, Heidi, about the difference philanthropy has made to their lives.

Tell us your family's story. Jack was born at 36 weeks without an oesophagus and we spent the next six months in the RCH Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

But that wasn't the end, was it? No, he's only four years old but has been in and out of hospital his whole life. He's had surgeries to make an oesophagus, and regular visits to stretch it as he grows. We went through a huge set-back two years ago when an infection affected his lung. We almost lost him.

What impact have donors had your family's life? I have no doubt that if we lived anywhere else in the world, Jack would not be here today. Being able to access world-class treatment – the best of the best – has changed our lives. I feel indebted to the RCH for Jack's life. That's why donations and fundraising are so important now and for the future. What the RCH has learned from Jack's case will help the next child born with this condition.

What gave you hope? The difference now is that there's been a long period of time where he's been well. In fact, the winter just passed was the first we didn't spend at the RCH!

How's Jack now? He makes me proud. You would think that with all he's been through, he would be a difficult kid, but he never complains. He's resilient, strong and awesome. We're looking forward to welcoming our second child soon, so Jack will become a big brother. He'll be great.



Dame Elisabeth Murdoch AC DBE at MCRI's Discovery Day

A wonderful and long-time friend of The Royal Children's Hospital, Dame Elisabeth Murdoch AC DBE, passed away peacefully at Cruden Farm in Langwarrin, aged 103, in December 2012.

As part of Andrew Denton's 'Elders' series on ABC TV, Dame Elisabeth was asked, 'Is Philanthropy about more than simply giving money?' She answered:

"Oh you must be involved. I think if you've got money it's perfectly easy to give it away and nothing to be particularly proud of, but it's being involved and knowing what you're helping.

"And you know, really being committed to whatever things you're helping and I find I'm involved in so many things. It's just amazing but it's very rewarding when you feel that you are making a difference to the lives of other people."

Dame Elisabeth certainly lived her values, devoting much of her life to helping others. She believed that giving was the most important and rewarding thing in life.

Associated with The Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) since 1933, the Herald and Weekly Times described The Royal Children's Hospital and Murdoch Childrens Research

Institute as 'her greatest monument,' inspiring countless others with her insurmountable passion for giving.

After her husband Sir Keith's passing in 1952, Lady Elisabeth, as she was then, threw herself into the work of the RCH whilst bringing up four children of her own. She travelled to Melbourne almost daily from Cruden Farm on Victoria's Mornington Peninsula.

After joining the management committee of The Royal Children's Hospital in 1933, she then served as its president from 1954 to 1965. She was also head of the planning committee to relocate the hospital from its site in Carlton and to build a new children's hospital in Parkville.

She was appointed a Dame for her efforts, an honour bestowed on her the day the original Parkville hospital was opened by Her Majesty the Queen in 1963.

She was Patron of RCH Auxiliaries from 1965 to 1983, and her commitment to the care, health and well-being of the children and their families never waned. Many RCH supporters fondly remember Dame Elisabeth visiting the hospital every year for the RCH Good Friday Appeal, to greet volunteers and thank them for their efforts.

Her philanthropic spirit continues to be an inspiration to us all.



Mrs Loti Smorgon AO, in front of donated artwork on Main Street

One of The Royal Children's Hospital's most long-standing supporters, Mrs Loti Smorgon AO passed away in her home city of Melbourne, aged 94, in August 2013.

Loti and her late husband Victor Smorgon AC's community spirit is an inspiration to us all. After 73 years of marriage, her husband predeceased her in 2009. He was 96.

Married at the East Melbourne synagogue in 1937, they originally made their fortune in paper, packaging and steel and went on to become one of Australia's wealthiest families and generous philanthropists.

Their generosity towards children and families was evident through their significant support of the hospital, which has had an immeasurable impact on the future of children's health.

The Smorgon Family's contribution to the construction of the Front Entry Building on the first Parkville site and their ongoing support of the Loti and Victor Smorgon Chair in Paediatrics symbolises the family's profound understanding of the importance of the hospital to Victorian families.

A portrait of Loti and Victor Smorgon by artist Jenny Sages was kindly donated by the family and hangs in Main Street of the RCH to permanently acknowledge their generosity and philanthropic leadership.

In August 2012 members of the Smorgon family visited Main Street at the RCH to view the portrait of Loti and Victor that honours their great contribution to our hospital.

Loti herself was in attendance. She was very happy to see the picture hanging as a tribute, and also toured the Specialist Clinics and saw the meerkats in situ. Speaking about the new hospital, she said:

"It's fantastic, it really is – I love all the sculptures." When asked about the picture of herself and her late husband, Victor, her face lit up and she said, "I'm very happy with it."

Their philanthropic contribution to The Royal Children's Hospital leaves a legacy in perpetuity.

[WAYS TO GET INVOLVED]

**JOIN OUR ONLINE COMMUNITY
DONORS, PATIENTS AND FAMILIES**

HOLD A FUNDRAISING EVENT SET UP WORKSHOPS

**MAKE A DONATION
RCHFOUNDATION.ORG**

LEAVE A BEQUEST

**DONATE GOODS AND SERVICES
FOR STALLS AND RAFFLES**

CORPORATE GIVING

IN CELEBRATION

**JOIN AN AUXILIARY
ESTABLISH FELLOWSHIPS**

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PURCHASE EQUIPMENT

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[LOOKING FORWARD]

"THANK YOU"

Donna, 42. At eight years of age Donna survived a stroke - there were significant complications including meningitis and an inability to move one side of her body.

This year she fought the odds and ran her first marathon. She fundraises as 'Run Donna Run.'

It's because of your support that people like Donna grow up to become part of the hospital's ongoing success.



Auxiliaries

The Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne is supported by a vibrant and dedicated network of Auxiliary groups. This year they contributed \$1.37 million to supporting The Royal Children's Hospital through the RCH Good Friday Appeal

ABC Auxiliary	Waverley Auxiliary
Absent Friends Auxiliary	Werribee Ladies for Kids Auxiliary
American Women's Auxiliary	Willy Seagulls Auxiliary
Archers Auxiliary	Yellow Ribbon Kids Auxiliary
BEADS Auxiliary	Young Set Auxiliary
Beyond Sight Auxiliary	
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He donated \$10 to Good Friday Appeal in 2013.

Jonathan is looking forward to donating to the hospital again and studying computer engineering.

It's because of your support that people like Jonathan grow up to become part of the hospital's ongoing success.



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Adele, 20, was born with a facial tumour and as a child received countless procedures at the RCH to become the woman she is today.

In high school she raised more than \$4,000 by shaving her head.

Her experience inspired her to train as a nurse. She hopes to make a difference to children's health as a paediatric nurse.

It's because of your support that people like Adele grow up to become part of the hospital's ongoing success.



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Nathaniel, 20 (left) and his brother Jayden, 22 (right).

Nathaniel had cancer in his lymph glands, he is now in remission and looking forward to finishing his electrical apprenticeship.

Jayden is a filmmaker and university student. His brother's experience inspires him to raise awareness of the condition.

The two brothers competed in The Great Amazing Race 2013 around Melbourne to raise funds for The Royal Children's Hospital.

It's because of your support that people like Nathaniel grow up to become part of the hospital's ongoing success.



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