**Program Area**: Health

Location: Morristown, NJ

Total Funding: \$8,054,900

Most Recent Grant: \$125,000

Grant History: Sixty payments beginning in 1971.

The Morristown Medical Center is a leader within the health and wellness community. Rated the number one hospital in New Jersey by U.S. News & World Report for four years in a row, Morristown Medical Center is a nationally recognized leader in cardiology and heart surgery, orthopedics, gynecology, geriatrics, gastroenterology and GI surgery, pulmonology and lung surgery, and urology. The American College of Surgeons designated this nonprofit hospital a Level I Regional Trauma Center and the State of NJ designated the Center a Level II. The success of the center is rooted in the innovative ideas and high-quality patient care administered by physicians and staff. Additionally, philanthropy has played an important role in the lives of its clients.

Today, the F.M. Kirby Foundation works in partnership with the hospital's philanthropic fundraising arm, the Foundation for Morristown Medical Center. In 2020, a community of donors contributed more than \$18.7 million to a broad range of programs, positions, capital projects and state-of the-art technology. These funds ensured the delivery of extraordinary care to patients and their families throughout the region and beyond. In its most recent philanthropic endeavor, the Growing Forward Campaign, donors, including the F.M. Kirby Foundation, contributed to support Morristown Medical Center's expansion and renovation of three of its Centers of Excellence: Carol G. Simon Cancer Center, Gagnon Cardiovascular Institute, and Goryeb Children's Hospital. In total, the donors gave more than \$40.3 million, far exceeding the campaign's initial goal.

The Carol G. Simon Cancer Center has been ranked as "high performing" for Lung Cancer and Colon Cancer Surgery and received the Outstanding Achievement award from the American College of Surgeons' Commission on Cancer. Providing some of the best quality care for cancer patients, this department is not only offering medical support, but physician compassion through a delicate touch unique to their doctors and team members. The long-standing Radiation Oncology is a cornerstone of this center, and the Center hopes to reconfigure the unit to have more exam rooms and offices.

The Gagnon Cardiovascular Institute is ranked #1 for Cardiology and Heart Surgery, and in the top 50 hospitals in the country for cardiac surgery. Focused on patient-centered care, this program is constantly working to expand their quality of care and adding to their specialty cardiac services and advanced technology. The Center focuses on projects that benefit the direst needs of their patients. Established in 2021, the Atlantic Health System Cardiovascular Rescue and Recovery Program (CVRR) at Morristown Medical Center offers critically ill heart patients access to world-renowned specialists and life-saving treatments. This program is the first and only of its kind in New Jersey, setting the stage for heart transplant surgery. It also delivers advanced treatment options to patients with significant cardiovascular conditions and access to the center's full roster of intervention team.

The Goryeb Children's Hospital takes a family-oriented approach to their patient care practices, which, in addition to their clinical expertise, explains why the data shows over 135,000 outpatient visits within 2021. On top of that, the center adopted new equipment such as echocardiography training simulator and stealth auto guide robot. However, their newest project is the development of a Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Fellowship program to train the next generation of pediatric sub-specialties to care for their youngest and most vulnerable patients.

Always seeking opportunities to help more individuals in need, Morristown Medical Center is opening a Behavioral Health Assessment Center to provide patients with vital and timely access to mental health support. This will serve as an essential entry point for folks coping with the emotional impact of life's difficult and often unavoidable hardships, including the toll brought by the pandemic. In the second half of this year, construction for the Pediatric Day Hospital/Sleep Center and the Pediatric Radiology Consolidation will begin. There was a recent purchase of patient clinical monitors expected to arrive at the end of the year for the emergency department. They are looking to expand the pediatric and general adult emergency departments by 2023. Goal oriented and impact driven, Morristown Medical Center is an example of entrepreneurship and stewardship, which are at the core of the F.M. Kirby Foundation's history and values.