

Foundation Announces Grants 2015



In its fourth year of funding proposals submitted by staff members for their departments, **Passavant Hospital Foundation** announced that 34 projects are being funded, thanks to a partnership between the Foundation, the **Auxiliary** and the **Hospital** itself.

The **34 projects** funded range in cost from \$1,000 to \$49,534 for a total of **\$405,016**.

Fay Morgan, Foundation President/CEO noted that "Every proposal funded was compelling in its intent and ability to improve patient care, comfort and/or safety as identified by staff."

Patti Massa, senior systems analyst in information technology, and **Jessica Spragg, BSN**, professional staff nurse in Cranberry, both ACES recipients, represented staff on the selection panel. **Beverly Aufman**, president, and **Kathy Buck**, treasurer, served for the Auxiliary.

Physician representatives included **Karen Barkey, MD**, **Kenneth Huber, MD**, **Thomas Schauble, MD** and **Daniel Sullivan, MD**, who is chair of the Foundation board.

Rounding out the committee were **Richard Hamilton** and **Patricia Kutcher**, both of whom serve on the boards of both the Foundation and the Hospital. Mr. Hamilton is chair of the hospital board.

Funded by Passavant Hospital Auxiliary - \$44,501

APS/PACU at Cranberry: Bladder scanner for noninvasive procedures

Critical Care at McCandless: Hand-held ultrasound for quick diagnosis at bedside and advanced airway management equipment

6 Main Nursing Unit: Transformation of two rooms for home-like hospice care

Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation Center: Recumbent exercise cycle

Emergency Department at Cranberry: Gynecology stretcher

Anesthesia and Nursing: Enhanced lactation room for use by nursing mothers

Funded by the Hospital - \$155,295

Respiratory Care: EBUS bronchoscope for ultrasound guided biopsies

Emergency Department at McCandless: Enhanced lighting systems in eight new treatment rooms

Patient Education: Room communication system for patient education at discharge

Sleep Center: Technology/computer upgrade

Information Technology at McCandless and Cranberry: PBX communication upgrade

4PCU: Communication boards in 10 patient rooms

Funded by Passavant Hospital Foundation - \$192,320

South Pavilion - 4, 5 and 6: Bariatric equipment including three specialized lifts

Imaging Department - CAT Scan: Snap Shot Pulse for Discovery VCT to improve imaging and reduce the radiation dose

Surgical Services: New furniture for the surgical waiting area including recliners

Respiratory Care: Trilogy 100 ventilator for patient transport and earlier mobility

Nursing Education, Practice and Research: Professional nursing development

Wound Healing Services: Specialized furniture and educational materials

Engineering and Maintenance: Pillow call bell upgrade to control room lighting

Therapy Services, 5 North Nursing and Transport Systems: 31 wheelchairs to increase therapy time

Information Services: Wireless and cable analysis equipment and outdoor wireless coverage at the Cranberry campus

Cardiovascular Imaging Services at Cranberry and McCandless: Furniture for procedure rooms including recliners

Diagnostic Interventional Recovery: Over-the-bed stands for patient use

2 Main at Cranberry: Eight new isolation stations

Nursing/Disabilities Team: Assistive Toolkit for patients in need of special accommodations for communication

Quality Department: Stroke education dinner for post-discharge education and support

Infection Prevention and Control: Hand hygiene initiatives

Funded jointly by the Auxiliary and the Foundation - \$12,900

Respiratory Care: Two Cough Assist devices for non-invasive therapy

Central Supply Receiving: Pallet jack upgrade