Marshall Medical Cancer Center Campaign Gets Boost from County Funding

Marshall Medical Center’s ongoing campaign to expand and consolidate cancer services in Cameron Park got a boost in June thanks to the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors approving $800,000 to further the cause. Marshall Foundation for Community Health will continue to seek an additional $600,000 in community support toward additional phases of the Center.

The green light for the Marshall Cancer Center specifies that the funds be limited to the building, renovation, construction and/or purchase of new equipment. The Center will be located in Cameron Park and will bring advanced cancer treatment to the county as well as new jobs.

The Cancer Center project will:

- reconfigure the existing 8,440-square-foot building in Cameron Park;
- relocate off-site cancer services to this convenient, consolidated location;
- expand key services and treatment areas;
- purchase a PET/CT scanner and state-of-the-art mammography equipment for diagnostic purposes; and
- install a linear accelerator for patient treatment.
Key aspects of the Center were explained by Karen Good, campaign director and Executive Director of Marshall Foundation for Community Health. “Placing the Cancer Resource Center more central to patient care is a big piece of this,” Good explains. “Additionally, a corridor to Radiation Oncology will simplify the traffic flow of staff as they treat patients. A healing garden is also planned to provide a place of rest, solace and comfort for those who visit the Center. The garden would be comprised of foliage known for its healing qualities with ambling paths, outdoor seating and soothing water features to provide a natural retreat for patients and families.”

All of this will enhance Marshall Medical Center’s ability to provide the latest, state of the art cancer care locally so our patients aren't traveling far distances, which is so important, especially when undergoing radiation or chemotherapy treatment.

Resources for cancer patients on the Western Slope of El Dorado County are numerous. Those needing transportation to cancer services are offered, free of charge, the assistance of a volunteer driver through the Hope. Healing. Here. vehicle donated by Thompson’s Auto and Truck Center in Placerville. No charge mammograms are offered through the Janet Nachtman Fund at Marshall Foundation to any person who cannot afford the screening. To access these and other resources available, contact the Cancer Resource Center at 530-672-7050.

Chaired by Jim and Maureen Carter as well as Barbara Ashwill, the Cancer Campaign Cabinet is excited to include everyone in the community in this vital project that seeks
philanthropic support to ease the journey for our cancer patients. To learn more about the campaign, contact Marshall Foundation at 530-642-9984.

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Marshall Medical Center is an independent, nonprofit community healthcare provider located in the heart of the Sierra Foothills. Marshall Medical Center includes Marshall Hospital, a fully accredited acute care facility with 113 beds in Placerville; several outpatient facilities in Cameron Park, El Dorado Hills and Georgetown; and many community health and education programs. Marshall has more than 200 board certified physicians and 1,500 employees providing quality healthcare services to more than 175,000 residents of El Dorado County.

Marshall Foundation for Community Health was established in 1974 to assist Marshall Medical Center and the community in providing needed resources to keep its community healthier. For further information, please contact Executive Director Karen Good at 530-642-9984 or email kgood@marshallmedical.org to discuss how you can help with this vital improvement.