

2022 COMMUNITY BENEFIT SNAPSHOT

We invest in Washington state's health.



Bringing our Mission to life

At Providence, we are dedicated to improving community health and reducing disparities in the Western U.S. and beyond. Called by our Mission, we are steadfast in serving all, especially those who are poor and vulnerable.

Taking action on health challenges

To achieve our vision of health for a better world, the Providence family of organizations identifies community health needs and invests in programs and meaningful solutions that meet the diverse needs of our neighbors. Alongside local partners, we build stronger, healthier communities by focusing on areas of lasting impact:

- Foundations of health
- Removing barriers to care
- Community resilience
- Innovating for the future

Our longstanding commitment to identify needs and provide community benefit is an essential way we live our Mission each day.



\$17.4 MILLION
Community health improvement and strategic partnerships



\$97.6 MILLION
Health professions education and research



\$32 MILLION
Subsidized health services



\$117 MILLION
Free and discounted care for the uninsured and underinsured



\$575 MILLION
Unpaid cost of Medicaid and other means-tested government programs

*Data are consolidated based on unaudited financial reporting. The numbers include home and community care investments and joint ventures by percentage ownership. Free and discounted care totals reflect at-cost amount.

Community investment in action

A safe space for young survivors

For kids who experience abuse, talking about what happened can be very difficult – especially when conversations occur in a stressful or unfamiliar place, such as a busy emergency room or at an unknown area in school.

To help create a welcoming environment for these conversations, Providence Inland Northwest Washington supports Partners with Families and Children by funding their Children's Advocacy



Stephanie Widhalm, program director, takes a moment with Tori, a trained courthouse facility dog who was placed at CAC by Assistance Dogs of Hawaii to help soothe kids dealing with the aftermath of trauma.

Center (CAC) in Spokane. The CAC team has created a safe and comfortable place for child and teen survivors or witnesses of child abuse, neglect and other crimes.

"We tailor everything to the children with consideration for each person's age and level of development," said Stephanie Widhalm, CAC director. "The space is designed to soothe with special attention to lighting, noise and décor."

Law enforcement officers, health care workers and others refer children to the center. Once they're in the door, two advanced registered nurse practitioners, funded by Providence Inland Northwest Washington Community Benefit, take the kids under their care.

Initial services may include a medical evaluation or forensic interview to help identify and treat the abuse, with follow-up connections to other needed services, such as mental health care, dental care or speech therapy.

The center has served an increasing number of children, with a 50.5% rise in interview rates over the last four years. In 2022 alone, the center served 636 kids.

"We're caring for children during some of the hardest times in their lives," Widhalm said. "Many kids tell us they feel better after seeing us, and that is one of the best things we can hear."

If you have concerns about abuse, these services are available to help:

- Advocacy support: [Lutheran Community Services Northwest](#); 509-624-7273 (Spokane area only)
- Reporting abuse and neglect: [Department of Children, Youth, and Families](#); 800-557-9671

“ The pandemic took a toll on our communities and our caregivers. But we never lost sight of our Mission. Alongside our partners, we continue to invest in our communities, in areas where support is needed most. ”

— JOEL GILBERTSON
Chief Executive
Providence Central Division

— KEVIN BROOKS
Chief Executive
Providence North Division

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