MARKING A MILESTONE THE HUBBARD CENTER FOR CHILDREN



We extend our deep gratitude to all of the individual and corporate donors who have helped us reach and surpass our \$50 million capital campaign goal for the Hubbard Center for Children. Your support is critical for us to carry out our mission: to improve the life of every child.

You make it possible.

Children's Hospital & Medical Center celebrated a historic event on August 15, 2019, as a final beam was raised to top off the nine-floor, state-of-the-art Hubbard Center for Children.

"The Hubbard Center for Children is going to improve pediatric care for the children and families in our city, our region and beyond. It is going to help improve the lives of countless children—today and for generations to come," said Mike Robino, chair of the Children's Hospital & Medical Center Foundation Board and a member of Children's Board of Directors. "I cannot think of any better purpose or mission to rally around—with our time, our talent and our treasure. On behalf of Children's, we are incredibly grateful to each and every one of you for catching this vision and putting children first."



Now more than ever, the demand for high-quality pediatric specialty care is on the rise. The children treated are sicker, more fragile and more medically complex than ever before. The health care needs of children are growing and more specialized. These needs have often caused Children's to be at capacity and limited by physical space.

As the region's only full-service pediatric hospital, Children's reached an inflection point years ago. Would we continue to push our capacity and turn away children for certain kinds of care? Or would we grow to ensure more area children have access to the most advanced care?

Children's chose the latter—a path of continuous improvement, a pursuit of excellence, a road of growth on all fronts of our mission: clinical care, research, education and advocacy.



Patients, families, doctors, nurses, staff members and community supporters signed the beam prior to its permanent placement atop the Hubbard Center for Children.

"We're here to support an organization rising up to the challenge—and responsibility—of meeting the health needs of the region's smallest and sickest children. We are an organization making strategic investments and decisions to grow and evolve—not just for growth's sake-but because it's the right thing to do for children. Because children in our community need us even more than they have in the past."

- Diane Duren Chair, Children's Board of Directors



The Hubbard Center for Children—a beautiful, state-of-the-art clinical facility— will help Children's to deliver the very best pediatric care to children across this region and around the world.

The Hubbard Center for Children is named in memory of the late Dr. Theodore F. Hubbard, and his wife, Claire M. Hubbard. Both were longtime Omaha residents and philanthropists. Dr. Hubbard was a pioneer in the field of cardiology, and he dedicated his life to helping heart patients in Nebraska and western lowa.



Ted Hubbard, Jr., and his wife, Colleen, attended the Topping Off celebration.

The vision of our donors helps Children's to realize its vision—and help children like Krew Anderson live up to their greatest health and potential. Krew was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia when he was five months old. He would have four separate stays at Children's, all consisting of around 30 days with only about a week break at home in between treatments. But in July of 2018, Krew and his parents, Stephanie and Richard, were able to leave the hospital with Krew in remission.

"We know firsthand how children and families rely on Children's and the unique care their team provides. We really can't even put into words what all the staff here at children's means to our family. Our doctors were there for us no matter what time of day it was and always made sure we knew exactly what was going on. We will always remember the compassion and love they had for our little boy," Stephanie Anderson said.

Once the Hubbard Center for Children is complete, families going through the same fight will all be together on the same floor.



Krew, Richard and Stephanie Anderson with Diane Duren

"Our son could go from playing and laughing one minute to having an extremely high fever and a serious infection the next. So, knowing all of the staff on this floor will be specialized in this field will give families peace of mind," Stephanie added. "Gratitude is the only word that comes to mind for thinking of our cancer families when you were planning this build."

Opening in 2021, the Hubbard Center for Children will be home to:

- More than 100 new patient beds
- An expanded Newborn Intensive Care Unit and Fetal Care Center
- A new, dedicated Cardiac Care Unit
- A new Cancer & Blood Disorders Unit
- Expanded surgical space
- An expanded Radiology Department and Emergency Department
- A new rooftop helipad & much more

