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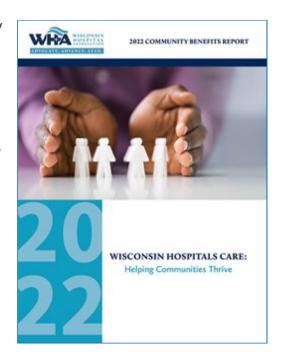
## Wisconsin Hospitals Delivered Nearly \$2B in Community Benefits in 2021

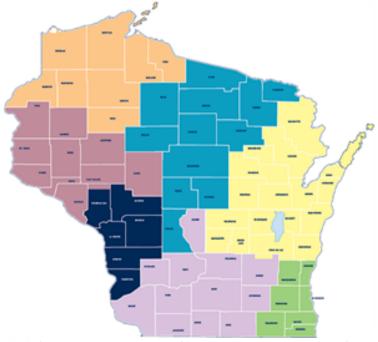
Despite the ongoing strain of the pandemic in 2021, Wisconsin's hospitals and health systems maintained strong community involvement

The <u>Wisconsin Hospital Association (WHA) 2022 Community Benefits Report</u> details the many ways Wisconsin's nonprofit hospitals and health systems care for their communities beyond patient care, often at a financial loss.

The annual report released today (Nov. 17) quantifies a number of services and community contributions provided by Wisconsin hospital and health systems, spanning from charity care, subsidized health services, community health improvement services and other expenditures. These investments by Wisconsin hospitals in their communities totaled **nearly \$2 billion** in 2021.

"As vital members of the communities we serve, the release of this important report underscores that the services provided by Wisconsin hospitals don't stop at simply patient care," said WHA President and CEO Eric Borgerding.





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offers an important reminder that hospitals continue to be there for people when no one else is—even when a service loses money or generates no revenue at all, or when hospitals lose hundreds of millions of dollars taking care of Medicaid patients, the uninsured and those no one else will help. Wisconsin hospitals and health systems consistently step up to the plate and

offer crucial services in their communities every minute of every hour of every day," Borgerding said.

"The 2022 Community Benefit Report

Included in the WHA 2022 Community Benefits Report are individual hospital stories related to charity care, workforce, and other hospital-supported initiatives. The entire report as well as an interactive map featuring community benefit stories organized by region and hospital name is available online at <a href="https://www.wha.org/communitybenefits">www.wha.org/communitybenefits</a>.

Follow WHA's social media pages as we will be sharing examples of the stories featured in the report over the next several weeks.

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