Mayo Clinic Health System is a not-for-profit organization committed to the health of our patients and communities. We address community and individual health needs through our care teams and by collaborating with external partners who address community members’ unique needs. We partner to address the barriers to health and deploy resources to impact the health and well-being of our communities.

Mayo Clinic Health System’s Southwest Minnesota region serves Fairmont, Mankato, New Prague, St. James and Waseca, and surrounding communities.

**Community Investments**

Our community contributions totaled over $665,000 in 2023. Our funding priorities are mental health and addressing social determinants of health, which align with our community health priorities. Our organization contributed to over 90 organizations, including:

- Lakeview Methodist Health Center and Building Blocks Daycare project: to expand child care options to Fairmont area families.
- Mankato Youth Place capital campaign: to allow the organization to expand services in a new facility and serve more at-risk youth in the community.
- Duck Cup Memorial Fund: to provide resources for mental health awareness and suicide prevention.
- Watonwan County Food Shelf: to purchase more ethnically appropriate food choices and add food storage equipment.
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southern Minnesota: to expand mentorship opportunities for youth facing adversity in the Waseca area.
- JZ Cancer Fund: to support distributing Caring Boxes to cancer patients throughout the region.

**100+**

Staff volunteered at more than 100 community organizations and events.

**2000+**

Devoted more than 2,000 staff hours through community presentations, expos and activities.

**20**

Held 20 item drives where staff donated to benefit various local nonprofits, including local schools and holiday giving trees.
Community Partnerships
Mayo Clinic Health System collaborates with hundreds of organizations throughout the region, including chambers of commerce, local government officials, local public health, schools, United Way, universities and various community-based organizations focused on health and well-being. Examples include:

- Developed a new, strategic collaboration with Minnesota State University, Mankato, prioritizing three strategic focus areas: educational experiences, health and well-being, and research. Mayo Clinic Health System also became Minnesota State University, Mankato’s official Orthopedic and Sports Medicine provider for their athletic teams.

- Donated land for the Fairmont Area Community Center and pledged $500,000 towards the YMCA portion of the community center.

- Collaborated with fourteen regional elementary school systems that participated in Mayo Clinic Health System’s Wellness Week in May.

- Participated as a member of the Mankato Suicide Prevention Coalition. Mayo Clinic Health System representatives have helped develop an online mental health hub, participated as expert panelists at community events and shared their knowledge as experts in local videos.

- Launched Journey to Wellness, a free virtual program that bundles monthly information about key topics to keep you, your family, and your colleagues healthy.

Commitment to Community
Mayo Clinic Health System is committed to providing the right kind of care close to home to help improve community health and well-being. Examples include:

- Served rural patients in Southern Minnesota with the Mobile Health Clinic, providing immunizations, chronic disease checks, lab collections and more. The mobile health clinic provided over 1,045 visits in 2023.

- Connected patients to community resources through our health equity coordinator and our community health workers.

- Opened a comprehensive breast clinic, allowing breast cancer patients to get all their breast care in one location at Madison East Health Center.

- Constructed a new inpatient pharmacy on the Mankato campus to meet the needs of our patients as technology changes and the hospital expands.

- Renovated and expanded the Waseca emergency department to include a new wing of exam and treatment rooms, a multi-function ambulance garage, and improved vehicle entry points.

- Continued construction on the Mankato hospital expansion and modernization project, which will add three floors and 121 beds to the Mankato hospital when completed in April 2024.