In 2023, Mayo Clinic made historic investments to strengthen the vibrancy and health of the greater Rochester and Olmsted County communities. Mayo Clinic recognizes that its mission — to inspire hope and promote health through integrated clinical practice, education, and research — is intrinsically linked to the well-being of its communities.

COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS
In 2023, Mayo Clinic in Rochester contributed more than $20 million to numerous nonprofit organizations addressing social determinants of health, community health priorities, health disparities and community vibrancy and belonging for residents in Olmsted County and Southeast Minnesota.
Mayo Clinic recognizes that community health is comprised of many fundamentals, including access to quality education, housing, nourishing food, safe neighborhoods, job opportunities, inclusion and a sense of belonging and connection with others. In 2023, Mayo Clinic contributed more than $20 million to enhance the health and vitality of our community in many ways.

HIGHLIGHTS

- $10 million to help the Rochester Public Schools (RPS) sustain academic excellence. This one-time gift was made to bolster the finances of RPS and preserve access to high-quality educational services for all children.
- $4 million to the Coalition for Rochester Area Housing, a collaboration of public and private sector organizations investing in creating and preserving affordable housing. Since the coalition’s inception, Mayo Clinic has contributed $13 million to its efforts. Additionally, Mayo Clinic participates on the Leadership Council.
- $2.4 million to the Southeast Regional Crisis Center (SERCC), a 24/7 resource for community members across Southeast Minnesota in need of mental health crisis support.
- More than $270,000 in financial and pharmaceutical support, along with volunteer and medical direction support, to operate the Salvation Army Good Samaritan Health and Dental Clinics that serve the needs of more than 1,200 underinsured and uninsured residents annually.
- Primary care services for people experiencing homelessness at The Landing MN, as well as $225,000 in financial support to help sustain services and that help people navigate toward greater stability and well-being.
- $90,000 in operational support to Channel One Regional Food Bank and Food Shelf.

COMMUNITY VIBRANCY

Through its financial support of the Rochester Downtown Alliance, Rochester Area Economic Development Inc. (RAEDI), Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF), Collider Foundation and many other civic organizations, Mayo Clinic helped to strengthen economic vibrancy as well as equity and inclusion for Black, Indigenous and other people of color (BIPOC) entrepreneurs and small-business owners.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Mayo Clinic participates in and co-leads many community partnerships, including the Olmsted County Health Assessment and Planning Partnership (OCHAP). The OCHAP conducts regular assessments of community health needs and works with others to improve community health for all residents, especially those with the highest health disparities and challenges. In 2023, this collaboration developed the 2024-2026 Community Health Improvement Plan for Olmsted County, which focuses efforts on three top priorities: mental health, substance use and access to care.

EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS

In 2023, Mayo Clinic employees contributed more than $1 million to support local nonprofits through the employee community giving program. In addition, Mayo Clinic matched its employees’ contributions with $425,000 to the United Way of Olmsted County Community Fund. Mayo Clinic employees also contributed thousands of hours in volunteer community service.

DIVERSITY AND EQUITY ADVANCEMENTS

As part of its 2020 Commitment Against Racism pledge, Mayo Clinic contributed more than $477,000 to community efforts to combat racism and reduce health inequities in Rochester and Olmsted County. The grants supported efforts to empower BIPOC community members through mentoring, basic needs, child development, healthcare access and housing/shelter.