At St. Francis Hospital, our goal is to deliver the highest quality healthcare available in the Chattahoochee Valley region. The growth of our cardiac services program through the Emory Clinic’s Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery, the national recognition for our stroke care program and emergency services department, and our labor and delivery team earning Georgia’s first Perinatal Care Certification from The Joint Commission are just part of how we are advancing our mission of making our community healthier, thanks to the outstanding associates who choose to serve others.

—David Koontz, CEO

At St. Francis Hospital, we spent 2016 exploring ways to advance our mission of making the communities of the Chattahoochee Valley healthier. And by focusing our efforts on creating a place where people choose to come for healthcare, physicians want to practice and employees want to work, our more than 65-year legacy of caring for our communities in west Georgia and east Alabama is stronger than ever.

Inviting the best physicians into our communities and supporting them is one of the most important drivers of our ability to offer the best possible healthcare to our community. During the past year, St. Francis added a number of physicians – including seven full-time physicians – to provide services in numerous key specialties, including interventional cardiology, cardiothoracic surgery, critical care, emergency services, family practice, neurology, orthopedics, behavioral health and tele-radiology.

And while delivering high quality patient care close to home is the single most important contribution we make, there are many other ways we’re making a positive impact in our communities.

In creating excellent workplaces for our 2,554 employees, we made $5,496,114 in capital improvements in 2016, including infrastructure maintenance and improvements such as roof replacements, cooling towers, HVAC compressors, chillers, generators and storage tanks; and major equipment investments for surgery, radiology/imaging and our endoscopy lab. And we managed and distributed an annual payroll of $173,573,993.

We are proud to take a leadership role in our communities and are committed to delivering needed healthcare to everyone, regardless of their ability to pay. In fact, in 2016 we donated more than $11.2 million in healthcare services to those in need.

We are also committed to ensuring fiscal responsibility – both at the hospital and in the community. In 2016, we paid a total of $5,647,951 in taxes, as well as provided numerous sponsorships and donations to local organizations.
SPONSORSHIPS AND DONATIONS

It was our pleasure to be able to support the following activities and organizations during the past year:

- Alzheimer’s Association
- American Heart Association
- Bob Wright Symposium
- Boy Scouts Award Dinner
- Chamber of Commerce
- Columbus High Baseball
- Fountain City Classic
- Historic Columbus
- Jim Blanchard Leadership Forum
- Mercer University Sponsorship
- Run for Recovery
- Soldier Marathon
- Sports Visions
- Steeplechase
- Three Rivers SGNA Exhibitor
- Thunder in the Valley

Charity and other uncompensated care ...................... $11,217,054
Includes unpaid cost of Medicaid, as well as charity care and other uncompensated care

Community benefit programs................................. $514,422
  Professional development .................................. $21,499
  Tuition reimbursement ..................................... $183,236
  Physician recruitment ....................................... $309,687

Taxes paid.................................................................. $5,647,951
  Property and other taxes .............................. $3,435,951
  Local sales tax ................................................. $1,106,000
  State sale tax ..................................................... $1,106,000

2016 TOTAL ....................................................... $17,379,427

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