Our Mission
The Nascentia Health Charitable Foundation’s mission is to increase awareness of our most vulnerable populations, to raise funds to address their unmet needs and to better serve their well-being across the regions that we serve. It also supports the education and development of in-home care providers, to enhance the availability of highly qualified caregivers that attend to our most vulnerable, well into the future.

You Make It Happen
In 2021, the foundation funded items for 250+ patients and education for more than 30 Nascentia Health staff—all with the goal of ensuring a better quality of life for our patients. How are recipients identified? Through our staff requests! As a Nascentia Health employee you are able to submit a request to your manager to help a patient with an item that is not covered by insurance, or for an educational session for a clinical staff member to enable them do their job more efficiently. Once the request is approved by your manager, they submit the application for the item for approval by the foundation staff. We purchase the item and arrange for delivery to the patient. For staff educational opportunities, the manager works with their staff to arrange the training.

Donations
We donate a wide range of life-changing gifts to our patients. Items we’ve provided include a specialty baby monitor for deaf parents, mattresses and beds for patients sleeping on the floor, an exercise bike, G-tube covers, car seat for pediatric patient who needed special neck and back support, specialized cushion for a patient that was unable to sit in a wheelchair due to wounds, home entry ramps for wheelchair patients, and so much more.

You can contribute to the foundation by supporting our annual fundraising event, Raise a Glass; donating to our annual appeal; or even by putting your bottles and cans in the recycling bins throughout the building.

Stay tuned for more information in each quarterly newsletter!

Foundation Champion
Maria Giannino, Associate Director of Patient Services

Maria Giannino is this quarter’s foundation champion! She is always seeking out patients we can help to have a better quality of life. Maria is responsible for 80% of the requests to the foundation! She is also on our event committee and volunteers in many aspects for the foundation. She is the first to donate, volunteer, and speak about the foundation.

Maria was actually one of the staff members who came up with the idea to start the VNA Foundation of CNY, which has since merged with the Eldercare Foundation to become the Nascentia Health Charitable Foundation. She is a great advocate for the foundation and is always happy able to answer any and all questions related to donating and requesting items.

Thank you, Maria, for all you do for the foundation!
**Fundraising Goal**

Help us meet our annual fundraising goal of $100,000!

- $100K
- $50K
- $2,775

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**Upcoming Events**

**Raise a Glass**

Sunday, September 18, 1–4  
Lakeshore Yacht and Country Club, Cicero  
Employee tickets available soon for $35!

Please join us for our annual Raise a Glass fundraiser! Take in the views from the beautiful Lakeshore Yacht and Country Club, bid on amazing silent auction items, enter to win one of dozens of employee-created raffle baskets, check out our wine tasting, enjoy delicious food, and more! This event also honors local individuals who have made a positive impact on our community through their good works with our Community Champion Award and our Civic Engagement Excellence Award.

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There are many ways you can contribute to the Nascentia Health Charitable Foundation.

» Donate online at nascentiahealth.org/foundation  
» Check by mail  
» AmazonSmile—Support us with every purchase on Amazon when you use the “VNA Foundation of CNY” Amazon Smile link.  
» Honor & memorial gifts—Make a difference in the name of someone important to you!  
» Planned giving—Make a lasting impact on the services that Nascentia Health provides to the community by including a charitable bequest in your will.

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**Did you know?**

Every time you put your empty bottles and cans in the recycling bins around the office, those returns go right back to the foundation! It’s the easiest way to help bring us to our fundraising goal.