



It's On Its Last Wheel Time to Act!

Our Medi-Bus has served thousands of patients well and now needs to be replaced. We need your help!

Each November we ask employees to make a gift – in any amount – to our Caring Campaign. This allows us to support excellent patient care and the projects and programs at Jennie, including transporting patients to and from medical appointments. If every Jennie employee donated just \$5.30 per paycheck, the entire \$100,000 for the new Medi-Van would be raised!

You can show your support through:

- One time gifts
- Pledges
- Payroll deduction
- PTO hours

Please consider how you can contribute to our 2020 Caring Campaign.

Your donation assists our patients and your colleagues. Your investment shows that you want to drive the important work done by our Jennie Family forward.

Foundation's Mission

The mission of the Jennie Edmundson Hospital Foundation is to build a bridge between the community and the hospital to enhance the resources that support Methodist Jennie Edmundson Hospital in meeting the health care needs of our community.

We believe in the power of philanthropy to save lives.



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2020 Caring Campaign

New Medi-Van



Keep Patients on Road to Recovery



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Greatest Need for 2020: New Medi-Van

Jennie Edmundson Hospital Foundation's aging Medi-Bus, has been in use for over nine years, logging hundreds of thousands of miles and transporting more than 27,000 patients. This service vehicle helps ensure access to healthcare for thousands of people each year.

For nearly forty years, the Medi-Bus Patient Transportation Program has provided free transportation for people dealing with chronic disease or undergoing therapy. Each year, the program gives rides to approximately 3,000 patients and travels more than 28,000 miles.

The Medi-Bus provides rides to individuals who are unable to drive or take public transportation due to physical or financial limitations. For many, it is their only way to access physical therapy, chemotherapy, radiation treatments, wound center therapy, cardiac rehabilitation and other essential healthcare.

Our goal is to replace the current multi-passenger vehicle with a handicap-accessible Medi-Van. A van would pick up one patient at a time, reduce the cost of fuel and could be parked in the garage at Methodist Jennie Edmundson Hospital for greater security. The cost of the van, along with many of the operating costs, is expected to be \$100,000.

"This free service is fully funded by donors including our staff and volunteers as well as generous individuals and organizations in our community," Tara Slevin, vice president of Volunteer Services and Foundation for Methodist Jennie Edmundson Hospital said. "Through this campaign, we hope to continue to serve thousands of seniors and low-income individuals for years to come."

Your support is appreciated!



Kathy Halverson-Rigatuso, 75, began volunteering at Methodist Jennie Edmundson Hospital in 2012. Not long after, she was diagnosed with chronic myeloid leukemia, which she continues to battle.

When Kathy had surgery on her knees, she could not drive herself to the hospital for cancer treatments or physical therapy. Instead, she relied on the Medi-Bus for transportation three days every week.

"Many older adults cannot afford to routinely take a taxi, and can't physically board a city bus," she said. "This service is a blessing for them."

Kathy Halverson-Rigatuso
Methodist Jennie Edmundson Hospital Volunteer



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100%
of your gift benefits
the Jennie program or
project you choose.

Other Areas You Can Support:

- Behavioral Health
- Breast Health Center
 - Cancer Center
- Caring for Our Communities
- Employee Crisis Connection
 - Scholarship Fund
 - Other

Please Complete & Return Your Pledge Form Today

If you have questions or comments about our Caring Campaign or Jennie Edmundson Foundation, please call (712) 396-6040.