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## Wisconsin Hospitals State PAC & Conduit Meets 2025 Fundraising Goal



# 101% OF GOAL RAISED

The Wisconsin Hospitals State PAC & Conduit successfully met—and exceeded—its 2025 fundraising goal on Dec. 31, closing the campaign with \$353,931 raised from 240 individual contributors. Of the contributors, 40 were first-time participants and 44% supported at one of the club levels of \$1,500 or more.

"Meeting our 2025 fundraising goal is a powerful demonstration of leadership and engagement from hospital advocates across Wisconsin," said Vernon Health CEO David Hartberg, chair of the Wisconsin Hospital Association's (WHA) Advocacy Committee. "Every contribution—whether from a first-time donor or a long-time supporter—helps ensure we can continue supporting candidates for state office who value Wisconsin hospitals and health systems."

Fundraising efforts for 2026 will officially kick off with a special breakfast immediately prior to WHA's Advocacy Day on February 25. Hospital advocates are encouraged to attend, connect with peers and continue building momentum for political advocacy in the year ahead. Individuals can submit contributions ahead of Advocacy Day online at [www.whconduit.com](http://www.whconduit.com).

All contributors to the Wisconsin Hospitals State PAC & Conduit 2025 campaign are listed below. For more information and to get involved, contact WHA Senior Vice President of External Affairs & Member Engagement Kari Hofer.

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