



HOPE HIGHLIGHTS

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Welcome to **Hope Highlights**, Partners Hope Foundation's first quarterly update. In each edition, we will provide information about end-of-life care and planning, along with updates as we create Western Montana's center for end-of-life care.

MEET OUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Melody Cunningham spent 24 years caring for pediatric patients with serious illness before relocating to Missoula. She most recently served as Medical Director of Threads of Care, Pediatric Palliative Care at Le Bonheur Children's Hospital in Tennessee and Medical Director in the Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at Boston Children's Hospital.



Bob Heffner is a managing director at AdvantEdge Advisors LLC. His expertise as a merger & acquisition advisor builds on his varied experience as a business owner, economic development chief at the Montana Department of Commerce, and commercial banker. He holds a deep appreciation for hospice care having witnessed the transformation it provides individuals.



PARTNERS HOPE FOUNDATION 2021 MILESTONES

It has been a year of major growth for our organization as we laid the foundation to create Western Montanan's center for end-of-life care.

- Secured five acres of land for the building site on Union Pacific Street near North Reserve, generously donated by the Terry and Patt Payne family.
- Retained Loci Architecture + Design.
- Engaged Dick Anderson Construction as general contractor.

"We hope that having this property enables the Foundation to quickly raise the funds necessary to build the center, so it can be used for the benefit of the entire Western Montana region." - Terry Payne

STAY TUNED! Our capital campaign is underway to fund a state-of-the-art regional center for end-of-life care. For more information, please contact Executive Director Betsy Bach at bbach@partnershopefoundation.org.



Partners In Home Care and Partners Hope Foundation's shared values have led to our first collaborative agreement. PHC is the largest nonprofit home health and hospice care provider in Western Montana. Established in 1987, PHC serves individuals and families in a 100-mile radius of Missoula, including residents in Missoula, Lake, Ravalli, Granite, Mineral and Sanders counties.

We look forward to collaborating with many other organizations.



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OUR MISSION

Our mission is to build and sustain a state-of-the-art hospice center that provides end-of-life care, education and support for our community.

GUIDING PRINCIPALS & VALUES

We believe dying is a fundamental part of life.

We are rooted in respect and compassion.

We consider the person, family and community in every decision we make.

We honor every person's right to dignity and self-determination.

We believe the dying person deserves state-of-the-art whole-person care: medical, physical, psychological, spiritual, educational and cultural.

We recognize that ongoing and dependable funding is essential for long-term sustainability.

NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL HOSPICE & PALLIATIVE CARE MONTH

November is an opportunity to proactively learn about hospice and palliative caregiving. During this month, we invite you to explore caringinfo.org, a program of the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization. Here you will find resources and approaches to consider when making decisions about care and services. The site includes information about advanced care directives and understanding the differences between hospice and palliative care.

"Hospice and palliative care works to meet everyone where they are in life's continuum, celebrating life and making the most of every day. It is a unique service that reflects personal choices and goals,"

— Michael, hospice clinical manager