

SNAPSHOT OF OUR TOTAL COMMUNITY BENEFIT

Memorial Health cares for every person who comes through our doors, regardless of his or her ability to pay. We also contribute to numerous programs that improve the overall health of the community. Our community benefit for 2013 (the most recent data available) breaks down as follows:

Financial Assistance: Charity and Indigent Care Cost	\$29,792,622
Free or discounted health services provided to patients unable to pay for all or a portion of their care.	
Unreimbursed Care Cost (Government Shortfalls)	\$4,939,512
Financial loss resulting from treating patients with Medicaid and Medicare, because we are reimbursed less than it costs to provide the care.	
Health Professionals Education	\$15,813,456
Memorial Health invests heavily in programs to educate healthcare professionals and to alleviate the physician shortage in rural Georgia.	
Cash and In-Kind Contributions	\$1,471,379
Includes contributions to J.C. Lewis Primary Health Care Center, Community Health Mission, the MedBank Foundation, the March of Dimes, the American Cancer Society, the Violence Intervention Program, and others. Cash donations are highlighted on page 8 in the safety net information.	
Community Health Improvement Services	\$1,276,975
Community health fairs, disease prevention education, safety services, Hispanic/Latino outreach, and patient assistance programs.	
Community-Building Activities	\$88,577
Economic development, coalition building, workforce development, and environmental improvements.	
Clinical Research	\$531,876

Community Benefit Total **\$53,914,397**

Bad Debt Write-Off **\$41,274,528**

In addition to treating patients who do not have the means to pay for their care, hospitals write off the bad debt of services for people who were expected to pay, but who did not because of an unwillingness or inability to do so.

Total Assistance Provided to the Community **\$95,188,925**

Community Benefit Summary: \$53,914,397

Note: Bad Debt \$41.3 Million

