

CENTURIAN PARTNERS NEWSLETTER

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THANK YOU

Thanks to your generosity, **\$7,138** was allocated to support projects aimed at improving care, comfort, and operational efficiency at BCH.

2026 MINI-GRANT AWARDS

The following departmental projects were chosen for full or partial funding:

Wymore Medical Clinic: Approved \$1,125

Project: Nebulizer Machines

Machines for home use, helping patients have access to needed respiratory treatments when cost or transportation barriers exist.

Case Management: Approved \$600

Project: Finger SpO2 Machines

Pulse oximeters for patient use at home, assisting in the monitoring and treatment of respiratory conditions.

Behavioral Health: Approved \$1,750

Project: Mind-Body Wellness & Weight Management Initiative

Mind-Body Wellness & Weight Management Initiative, a holistic program designed to support both mental and physical well-being.

Acute Care: Approved \$250

Project: End-of-Life Comfort Program

Ensuring patients and their loved ones receive compassionate support, comfort measures, and guidance during end-of-life care.

Labor & Delivery: Approved \$600

Project: Infant Bereavement Program

Providing compassionate resources and support to families experiencing the loss of an infant.

Labor & Delivery and Acute Care: Approved \$1,000

Project: Patient Transfer Bag

Providing families with essential personal care items when a loved one must be transferred unexpectedly to another healthcare facility.

Women's and Children's Clinic: Approved \$1,813

Project: Pediatric / Infant Scale

Enhances the accuracy of infant and pediatric patient assessments.



Centurian Partners award the 2026 Mini-Healthcare Grants to BCH departments. Pictured (from L-R) Bri Prall, Margaret Haith, Colleen Deines, Marilee Brinkmeyer, Angie Oblinger, Nicole Allen, Lindsey Zimmerman, Nikki Oltman, Dorothy Zimmerman, Dr. Robert McLellan, Kathy Epp, and Nichole Allen.

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END-OF-LIFE COMFORT PROGRAM

Beatrice Community Hospital is committed to providing compassionate, dignified care for patients and families during end-of-life transitions. Building on the success of the Comfort Quilt Program, Acute Care staff identified additional ways to create a more peaceful and comforting environment for patients and their loved ones.

Through funding from the BCH Foundation's Centurian Partners Mini-Healthcare Grant Program, the new End-of-Life Comfort Program will provide items such as bedside lamps, calming music, battery-operated candles, and colorful pillowcases to help create a warm, home-like atmosphere.

These simple comforts can make a meaningful difference during difficult moments, reflecting BCH's commitment to compassionate, patient-centered care and support for families when they need it most.



TRANSFER BAG PROGRAM

When an infant or child requires an unexpected transfer to a higher level of care, families often leave with little time to prepare. To help ease the stress of these situations, Labor and Delivery and Acute Care staff are implementing a Transfer Bag Program.

Each transfer bag will include basic hygiene items, directions to the receiving hospital, snacks and water, gift cards to help with travel expenses, and a stuffed bear for the child.

This simple but meaningful program provides practical support and comfort to families during a difficult time, allowing them to focus on what matters most—the care of their child. Through your generosity, the Transfer Bag Program reflects our commitment to compassionate, family-centered care.



MIND-BODY WELLNESS PROGRAM SUPPORTS HEALTHY LIFESTYLE CHANGES

The Behavioral Health Department has been awarded funding to continue and expand its Mind-Body Wellness & Weight Management Initiative, a program designed to support patients on their weight-loss and wellness journeys.

The program complements existing BCH weight management services by addressing the emotional and behavioral challenges that often impact long-term success, including stress, anxiety, emotional eating, motivation, and body image concerns. Through bi-weekly support groups, educational resources, and guidance from healthcare professionals, participants gain practical tools and encouragement in a supportive, judgment-free environment.

Grant funding will help provide educational materials, wellness tools, and guest speakers who can offer additional expertise in nutrition, movement, and healthy lifestyle habits. Patient feedback has highlighted the program's positive impact, with many participants citing the value of peer support, motivation, and shared experiences.

By supporting both mental and physical well-being, the Mind-Body Wellness & Weight Management Initiative is helping patients build healthier, more sustainable lifestyles.

