

Generous Grant from the Helmsley Charitable Trust Will Equip the Simulation Center

The Leona M. And Harry B. Helmsley Charitable Trust recently awarded \$462,090 in grant funding to the St. Rose Dominican Health Foundation to purchase the equipment needed to complete the Medical Simulation Center at the Rose de Lima Campus. Part of the new Professional Education Center, the Simulation Center will feature three high-tech, state-of-the-art simulation suites.

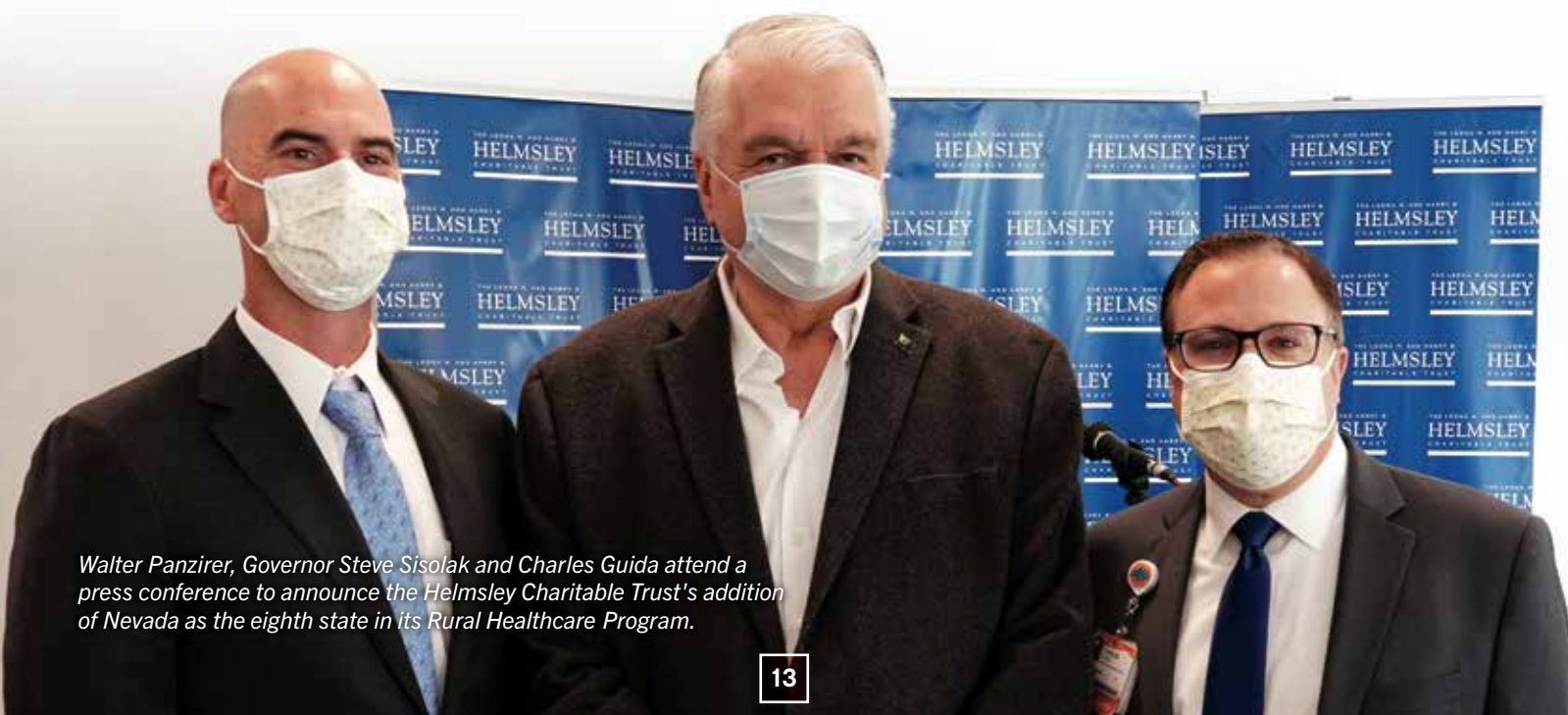
The gift was made public on November 2, 2021, at a press conference hosted by St. Rose at the Rose de Lima Campus, where the Helmsley Charitable Trust announced that it had added Nevada as the eighth state in its Rural Healthcare Program, with more than \$11.3 million in grants to help 10 Nevada hospitals. “We are excited the Trust has chosen to invest in Nevada,” said Nevada Governor Steve Sisolak, who attended the event. Also in attendance was Walter Panzirer, a trustee for the Helmsley Charitable Trust, who said, “Your zip code shouldn’t determine whether you live or die. We hope to make life more equitable in Nevada, and we want to do more here.”

Thanks to this generous gift, we are able to purchase high-fidelity patient mannequins, including advanced neonatal, birthing, adult, pediatric, premie, and newborn neonatal simulators. We will also purchase a labor and delivery bed, emergency department stretcher, respiratory ventilator, and other medical equipment.

Using the computerized mannequins, instructors can run scenarios to help doctors and nurses identify early signs of

conditions such as sepsis or heart attack, leading to higher patient survival rates and increasing staff’s confidence in their clinical skills. With this training, they will be able to provide a higher quality of childbearing experience, no matter the complexity of the delivery. Staff will also have more realistic training in how to control serious bleeding in case of accidents or mass casualty events, such as the October 1, 2017, shooting in Las Vegas.

The Simulation Center will complement St. Rose’s new Graduate Medical Education Residency Program to help train physicians. Each year, at least 1,000 St. Rose employees and medical residents will use the Simulation Center to receive realistic training and preparation for handling complex situations with patients of all ages. St. Rose will be one of just a few hospitals in southern Nevada with a high-fidelity Simulation Center for staff training. By providing a much higher level of training for our 4,500 employees, we will enhance patient care and safety for our community.



Walter Panzirer, Governor Steve Sisolak and Charles Guida attend a press conference to announce the Helmsley Charitable Trust’s addition of Nevada as the eighth state in its Rural Healthcare Program.