

Children's Miracle Network Hospitals helps St. Rose Dominican Hospitals provide southern Nevada's children quality, compassionate care.

**AUG 25 Buy a Miracle Balloon!**

Love's Travel Stop & Country Store off of I-15 North (at Exit 64) is selling \$1, \$5 and \$20 Miracle balloons between August 25th - September 30th.

**SEP 5 Bucket List Opportunity!**

Shop Ace Hardware "The Helpful Place" on Saturday, September 5th. Get a large 5 gallon bucket for a \$5.00 donation to St. Rose Dominican Hospitals. For everything you fit into the bucket while shopping, you will receive 20% off!

**SEP 9 Join Miracle Jeans Day!**

Make Wednesday, September 9th a denim type of day with family, friends, co-workers or classmates. Anyone can participate! Sign up at [www.miraclejeansday.com](http://www.miraclejeansday.com)

**OCT 10 Rose Regatta Dragon Boat Festival**

Dragon boat teams compete to raise funds for breast health services provided by St. Rose's R.E.D. Rose program and the Barbara Greenspun WomensCare Centers of Excellence.

**For information on the Siena Campus expansion and how you can play an important role in its completion, call 702.616.5750.**

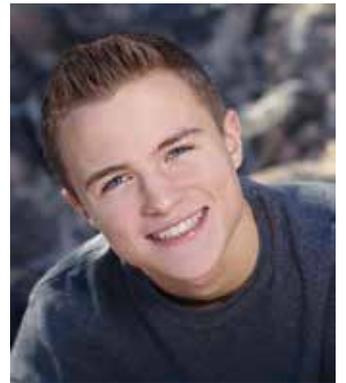
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## Kirk Kerkorian's Legacy of Caring for Kids with Endocrinology Disorders

Henry Guida never met Kirk Kerkorian, the billionaire who built a number of Las Vegas' mega resorts and, in doing so, the city's reputation as the entertainment capital of the world. If he had, he would have thanked him because as a teenager with type 1 diabetes, Henry appreciates that the icon's legacy extends beyond hotels to hospitals.

Kerkorian, who passed away in June, was a dedicated philanthropist whose \$2.1 million donation to the St. Rose Dominican Health Foundation has saved and improved the lives of kids with endocrinology issues, including type 1 and type 2 diabetes.



Henry Guida

Henry's father, Charlie Guida, is the president of the St. Rose Dominican Health Foundation. "When Bridget and I moved our five children here from Rhode Island, we were ecstatic about my new job opportunity - and the warm weather - but we were concerned about finding care for Henry," says Charlie. "At the time, there was just one board certified pediatric endocrinologist in southern Nevada. Children were waiting months to get appointments."

Although there is no cure for type 1 diabetes, its symptoms - and potentially life-threatening consequences - can be controlled with quality health care and education. Raising funds for a pediatric endocrinology clinic became a professional and personal endeavor for Charlie, who says, "One of the tenets of health care is to treat others the way you would want your loved ones to be treated."

With that in mind, Charlie and his team asked the Lincy Foundation (named after Kerkorian's daughters Linda and Tracy) for help in addressing the critical gap in care for children suffering from endocrinology and metabolic disorders. The Lincy Foundation, which had donated \$4.2 million to St. Rose Dominican Hospitals' Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) just a few years before, expressed interest. Yet, shortly after, Kerkorian transferred approximately \$200 million in assets from the Foundation to form the Dream Fund at UCLA to support medical research and academics at UCLA along with charitable projects throughout the country. Fortunately, funding the Dream Fund Pediatric Endocrinology Clinic at St. Rose Dominican became a priority project.

According to Dr. William Holm, the medical director of the Dream Fund Pediatric Clinic, St. Rose, has both the facilities and physicians necessary to diagnose, treat, and help families manage pediatric endocrine and metabolic disorders, including: type 1 and 2 diabetes, growth disorders, adrenal gland disorders, thyroid abnormalities, pituitary gland disorders, and issues related to sexual differentiation and puberty. And, as part of St. Rose Dominican's not-for-profit, faith-based ministry, the Dream Fund Pediatric Endocrinology Clinic provides care with uncompromising quality, humankindness, and a focus on meeting the needs of children whose families are uninsured or underinsured.

For more information on The Dream Fund Pediatric Endocrinology Clinic, St. Rose, call 702.616.5865.

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## St. Rose Links Women and Children in Need to Vital Health Services

Historically, Nevada has had among the highest rates of uninsured or underinsured children in the nation. Dignity Health - St. Rose Dominican responds to this unsettling statistic by continually striving to meet the most basic needs of infants, children, and their parents. Holly Lyman, the hospitals' director of community outreach, together with the St. Rose Dominican Health Foundation, have been instrumental in securing state grants to fund three St. Rose WIC Clinics (WIC stands for the Women, Infants & Children Supplemental Nutrition Program). The Clinics provide struggling mothers - along with their infants and children under the age of five - nutritious foods, nutrition education, and breastfeeding support at no charge. And by serving as the lead organizer for the State's WIC Linkage project, St. Rose WIC Clinics also help connect the more than 59,000 WIC clients in southern Nevada to other vital health resources that promote health and wellbeing for the entire family.

"Access to good food and basic health services such as immunizations are instrumental in helping families become

healthier and more capable of finding work that affords them the benefit of health insurance," says Holly.

This October, St. Rose WIC Clinics will collaborate with all 19 southern region WIC Clinics on a "Teenie Halloweenie" event to provide WIC clients a day of fun and games - including a costume contest - plus free health offerings such as infant and toddler immunizations, family flu shots, and nutrition counseling. A spring event drew more than 1,300 WIC clients to the Children's Discovery Museum.

For more information about WIC eligibility, St. Rose WIC Clinics or the WIC Linkage program, contact 702.616.4905.

