



HELPING TO MAKE NORTHWESTERN LOUISIANA HEALTHIER

At Minden Medical Center, our goal is to deliver the best health care available in the Webster, Claiborne, Bienville Parishes region as we seek to make the communities we serve healthier. With the help of dedicated physicians, employees, volunteers and board members, along with your continued support and encouragement, we continue to move forward.

Delivering quality healthcare is a big part of the contribution we make. But there are many other ways a hospital can make a positive impact on the community it serves. Here are a few of the other ways we are making a difference.

Over \$1.3 million in capital improvements

During 2008, we invested over \$1.3 million in our facility which included technology replacement, information technology additions/updates, and routine facility upkeep and maintenance. We have also upgraded our surgery elevator and made a number of quality improvements to our state-of-the-art facility including ultrasound, HUGS security system for infants, ABG machine for respiratory therapy, audiometric trailer for the Occupational Medicine program, surgery fluid warming system, and OR surgical light.

In 2009, we will complete a \$5 million 9,480 square foot Intensive Care Unit (ICU) addition that will provide 12 new ICU beds with step-down support.

Contributing to our local tax base

Last year, Minden Medical Center paid over \$858,000 in taxes that have helped to support our city, county and state. This

included sales taxes as well as property taxes. These dollars help to support local schools, development of roads, recruitment of business and industry, and other needed services.

Helping those in need

Minden Medical Center provided over \$69.7 million in uncompensated care last year, which included the amounts not covered by government-sponsored programs such as Medicare and Medicaid. This amount includes \$7.4 million for charity care and bad debts, incurred as we cared for many people without sufficient resources.

Adding to the medical staff

During the past year, Minden Medical Center added Stephen Coleman, D.O., a highly qualified obstetrician/gynecologist, to our respected medical staff.

One of our community's major employers

With an annual payroll of \$21.6 million and more than 500 employees, Minden Medical Center is one of the largest employers in the region.

We thank you for choosing Minden Medical Center for your healthcare needs. With your support, together we can make an even greater hospital and a healthier community.



George E. French III, CEO
Minden Medical Center





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COMMUNITY BENEFIT REPORT

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| Charity care and bad debt | \$7,496,000 |
| Government-sponsored health care | \$62,230,000 |
| Includes unpaid cost of Medicare and Medicaid | |
| Community benefit programs | \$289,309 |
| Financial contributions..... | \$19,164 |
| Health professionals education..... | \$27,028 |
| Community Health Services | \$3,675 |
| Physician recruitment..... | \$229,442 |
| LifePoint Community Foundation grants to Grambling State University, Louisiana State University at Eunice, Louisiana Technical College/NW Campus and Louisiana Tech University..... | \$10,000 |
| Taxes paid | \$858,847 |
| Property and other taxes..... | \$315,000 |
| Local sales taxes..... | \$314,859 |
| State sales taxes..... | \$228,988 |
| 2008 TOTAL | \$70,874,156 |

In addition, the hospital's payroll of \$21.6 million and capital investments of over \$1.3 million last year contributed significantly to the community's economic success.

SPONSORSHIPS AND DONATIONS

Minden Medical Center and our employees are pleased to have been able to support the following activities and organizations during the past year.

- American Legion
- Community education – heart health, weight loss, Alzheimer's Disease, Just for Boys, colon screenings, Sharing and Caring Support Groups, Diabetes Support Group, and Alzheimer's Support Group
- Cultural Crossroads
- Dorcheat Historical Association and Museum
- Health screenings in Ringgold and Minden for the Webster Parish Council on Aging
- March of Dimes
- Minden Charity Classic
- St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

"Government-sponsored health care" includes governmental and private payor contractual adjustments or reductions. "Physician recruitment costs" include recruitment costs and support of new physicians' initial practice establishment in the community. Payroll includes consolidated salaries, wages, benefits and contract labor costs. "Capital investments" include facility expansions/renovations, equipment purchases, technology replacement, information technology additions/updates, and routine facility upkeep and maintenance.