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**HURLEY MEDICAL CENTER – FLINT**

Hurley Medical Center was founded in 1908. In 1956 some of the Doctor's wives saw a need of additional assistance in the hospital, and started an Auxiliary. No one has ever looked back with 300 members of a combination of auxiliarians and volunteers today. The auxiliary was the main force in the beginning with the addition of a volunteer group added later. The Auxiliary had its own membership with a full board of officers representing that membership at large. The Volunteers have many work area choices. There is now a Student Volunteer Program (grades 10-12), and a Health Career Volunteer Program (for college students interested in health careers). Other Volunteers work in one of these areas: NICU, Compassionate Care, On-Call Chaplain, and, Rehabilitation, Physical Medicine & Radiology. The Patient & Family Partnership Council is another source of being a volunteer for Hurley Medical Center.

James J. Hurley had a vision for a hospital and in 1905 donated land and \$55,000 to the City of Flint dedicated to serving the poor. Recently Hurley finished the Paul F. Reinhart Emergency Trauma 1 Center and new lobby.

A transition period is taking place now at Hurley. The Volunteers and Auxiliarians will be combined as one group under the umbrella of the Hurley Foundation Board. A new Volunteer Board will be created and called The Steering Committee. The President or Chair of this new committee will be a representative on the Hurley Foundation Board. Many decisions will be made in these next months as we head into 2018 about this newly created and important group at Hurley Medical Center.

The volunteers may work on any and all hospital events and Hurley Medical Center plays a huge part in the Children's Miracle Network Program. From the beginning children were a Hurley Priority and everyone at Hurley Medical Center has taken steps to make the community healthier, especially the children. This commitment includes Car Seat Checks, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Children's Emergency Department, & Hurley's Children Center at the Farmer's Market.

Along with Courtesy, Caring, & Compassion, Volunteers are the "Heart of Hurley Medical Center". Congratulations on your continued commitment for a healthy community.