

Hope lives here.



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What does hope look like to you?

At St. Anthony Summit Hospital, we see hope every day. A new life being born. A care team meeting early to coordinate plans for a complex procedure. A chaplain sitting with a family who is struggling with a difficult diagnosis.

And because of our donors, hope goes even further.

Through scholarships funded by donations, local students are chasing their dreams of careers in health care. Philanthropy allows the foundation to purchase state-of-the-art surgery equipment that will allow countless patients to get back to the life and activities they love — pain-free.

Hope is action. And throughout our fall newsletter, you'll see that hope lives here in Summit County. As a foundation and hospital, and with the support of our donors, we're building a healthier, hopeful community for all our neighbors.

With hope for you and yours,



Candy Elkind
Chief Philanthropy Officer
St. Anthony Summit Health Foundation

Community praise for our hospital team

St. Anthony Summit Hospital is honored to have received the 2025 Summit Chamber Business Excellence Award in the Large Business of the Year category. The award recognizes our commitment to excellence and our contributions across Summit County.

Thank you to the Summit Chamber for this recognition and celebrating our impact on the community.



Hospital leaders Patty Price and Trixie VanderSchaaf accepting St. Anthony Summit Hospital's Large Business award at the Summit Chamber's Business Excellence Awards ceremony.

CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE IN SAFETY AND CARE

We're proud to share that CommonSpirit Health National has received the prestigious John M. Eisenberg Patient Safety and Quality Award. Presented by The Joint Commission and the National Quality Forum, this is one of the highest national honors in health care.

Through expanding access to treatment, implementing new technologies and continued training for team members, more

than 400,000 additional patients have been served across the country, including many patients right here in our community. And it's only through donor support that we are able to stay at the forefront of health care innovations.

Our generous community helps ensure patients receive the highest quality care — when and where they need it most.



The incredible life and legacy of Warren Johnson, MD

On July 24, 2025, St. Anthony Summit Cardiology held a dedication ceremony to honor the memory of cardiologist Dr. Warren Johnson.

Dr. Johnson established the first cardiology practice in Summit County. He was **the** Medical Director of Cardiology for **the St. Anthony** Summit Medical Center formerly under Centura Health and was **the** founding director of the High Altitude Research Center before his retirement.

Throughout his career, Dr. Warren Johnson made significant contributions to interventional cardiology and received numerous accolades for his work, helping to shape the future of the field. Some of his many contributions included teaching angioplasty techniques to physicians around the world, authoring influential academic studies, participating in clinical trials and touching the lives of countless patients.

An avid outdoorsman, Warren was known for his boundless optimism, infinite patience, sense of



Dr. Warren Johnson, founding director of the High Altitude Research Center.



Dr. Johnson's family at his dedication ceremony.

humor, wisdom and compassion. Whether in the hospital, on a mountain trail, or surrounded by his family — his kindness, humility and gentle spirit left a lasting impression on all who knew him.

He passed away on March 4, 2025, at the age of 81. His legacy endures through the countless lives he touched as a physician, mentor, husband, father, grandfather and friend.

St. Anthony Summit Hospital honored for excellence in mental health care

We're proud to share that the Systemwide Mental Assessment Response Team (SMART) program — created in partnership with St. Anthony Summit Hospital and the Summit County Sheriff's Office — has been recognized with a CommonSpirit Health Humankindness and Health Justice award.

This innovative collaboration brings together law enforcement, behavioral health specialists and case managers to respond to individuals in a mental health crisis with compassion and expertise. In 2024, the program diverted 87% of patients from the emergency department, ensuring they received the right care in the right setting.

"The SMART team's dedication to meeting patients in crisis, right where they are, is not just convenient,"



said Andrew Gaasch, CommonSpirit's mountain region president. "It's a vital health equity service that improves care when it matters most."

Your generosity makes innovative programs like SMART possible — helping ensure patients receive compassionate care through every step of their journey.

Save the date!



**FREEWILL -
PLANNED GIVING
EDUCATION SESSION**
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2026
8 AM - 4:30 PM
Lunch provided
Colorado Mountain College
107 Denison Placer Road
Breckenridge, CO 80424



**HEARTS AND SOLES
CANCER CARE
5K AND 1 MILE WALK**
SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026
8 AM - 1 PM
St. Anthony Summit Hospital
340 Peak One Drive
Frisco, CO 80443

For more details on both of these events, email Candy.Emerson@CommonSpirit.org



Introducing FreeWill — a planned giving resource

Did you know 71% of Americans don't have a will or trust? Without one, families can face long, costly probate. That's why we've partnered with FreeWill to offer a secure, no-cost online tool to create or update your will in about 20 minutes.

A will ensures your wishes are honored and your loved ones are cared for. We're honored to share this resource as part of our commitment to serving you — body, mind and spirit.

We invite you to learn more about FreeWill and planned giving by visiting:

StAnthonySummit.MyGiftLegacy.org

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StAnthonySummitHealthFoundation/Donate](https://Give.CommonSpirit.org/StAnthonySummitHealthFoundation/Donate)
or scan the QR code.



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stay local to St. Anthony
Summit Hospital and
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