A Remarkable Gift from Richard S. Morrison

Richard S. Morrison, Chairman of the Board of Molded Fiber Glass, has once again partnered with ACMC Foundation to ensure access to high-quality medical care, close to home.

Through his generous donation of $2 million, Mr. Morrison has funded the purchase of a da Vinci XI robotic surgical system, a minimally invasive surgical tool.

In robotic-assisted surgery, physicians realize additional benefits—precision, range of motion, tremor filtration and extension of the surgeon’s physical abilities. The surgeon sits at a console just a few feet away from the patient. The surgical instruments are inserted through small incisions at the surgical site. The system translates the surgeon’s hand movements at the console in real time, bending and rotating the instruments while performing the procedure. The instruments move like a human hand, but with a greater range of motion.

The da Vinci system also delivers highly magnified, 3D high-definition views of the surgical area. The near-infrared technology creates an enhanced visual highlighting vital arteries, so that surgeons can identify critical anatomical structures. This can help inform decisions they need to make during surgery.

The da Vinci system will be installed in the new Richard S. Morrison Surgery Center as part of ACMC’s patient care tower when it opens in June 2024.

“My family has a long history and connection with Ashtabula, and we have always made supporting our community a priority,” said Mr. Morrison. “I had the opportunity to ask an ACMC surgeon what would ‘move the needle’ for surgery in Ashtabula. His response was a da Vinci Surgical System.”

“This system will not only improve care for our patients through less invasive, robot assisted procedures, it will also assist ACMC in recruiting and retaining top surgeons to our community,” said Leonard Stepp, Jr., president and CEO of ACMC Healthcare System. “Early- and mid-career surgeons have been trained in robotic assisted surgery. They want to use that technology in their practice. Having the da Vinci system at ACMC will make coming to Ashtabula County even more appealing for surgeons.”

“This donation is the largest individual gift in ACMC Foundation’s history. We are extremely grateful to Mr. Morrison for making this possible for our community,” said Tina Stasiewski, vice president of business development and interim executive director of the ACMC Foundation.

ACMC Foundation
Gift of Health Happy Hour

Please join us for our Gift of Health Happy Hour for food, cocktails, live music, and raffles from 4-7pm on Friday, November 10 at the Geneva Lodge!

When you help the ACMC Foundation advance and enhance healthcare for residents of Ashtabula County, you touch the lives of thousands in our community who rely on Ashtabula County Medical Center every year for quality care. All proceeds from this event will aid in funding the new Patient Care Tower set to open in June of 2024!

Ticket information: www.acmchealth.org/foundation/save-the-date/
Please RSVP by 11/8. We hope to see you there!

We welcome any opportunity to answer questions about the ACMC Foundation or this event. Please contact us anytime at 440.997.6942 or omattingly.spence@acmchealth.org.

Gift Shop Hours

The ACMC Foundation Gift Shop is currently open Monday through Friday, 10am - 2pm.
We look forward to seeing you!

All proceeds from Gift Shop sales are administered by the ACMC Foundation for the benefit of ACMC.