



STRONG KIDS NEWS



Tom Golisano pledges \$20 million to jumpstart hospital dedicated to children

ROCHESTER ENTREPRENEUR, PHILANTHROPIST, AND CHAMPION OF CHILDREN'S HEALTH, B. THOMAS GOLISANO, RECENTLY SURPRISED AN AUDIENCE OF MORE THAN 400 ONLOOKERS BY ANNOUNCING A **\$20 MILLION GIFT** TO GOLISANO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL—**\$2 MILLION MORE** THAN UNIVERSITY AND MEDICAL CENTER LEADERS EXPECTED. WITH THE GIFT, THE MEDICAL CENTER ANNOUNCED PLANS TO BUILD A NEW, \$134 MILLION GOLISANO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL DEDICATED TO THE CARE OF SICK AND INJURED YOUNGSTERS.

"A new facility is necessary to keep pace with medical and technological advancements and meet the modern standards of a children's hospital," said Tom Golisano. "I am pleased to provide this gift to help construct a new, next-generation hospital to provide the highest quality care to children

throughout the region."

"Tom's gift will transform the way that children are cared for in upstate New York and it advances our ability to modernize Golisano Children's Hospital for the 21st century," said University of Rochester President Joel Seligman. "His generous decision follows a thoughtful review of construction alternatives and reflects Tom's uncompromising desire to ensure that every dollar given goes to help our region's children. In fact, Tom has helped us evolve the plan for

a new Golisano Children's Hospital into something more remarkable than we initially envisioned."

This latest pledge brings Golisano's total giving to the children's hospital to \$34 million, making him the University of Rochester's most generous living donor. In addition, the Golisano Foundation has given \$1.6 million to University of Rochester's Strong Center for Developmental Disabilities to establish the Institute for Innovative Transition.

Mark Siewert, chair of the Golisano Children's Hospital board, said having caring supporters like Golisano is essential to the future health of our region's children.

"Tom Golisano is a great philanthropist," Siewert said, "and a great businessman. He expects results and a good return on his investment. In this case however, it's the children in our community that will reap the dividends. We are eternally grateful."

A Better Plan

URMC's original expansion plan called for construction of a tower that would house a combination of adults and children, and would include space for imaging services. The plan was modified in November of 2009, in favor of adding adult beds above the James P. Wilmot Cancer Center and expanding imaging services into existing space vacated by relocated programs. That left URMC leaders to determine how to deal with the Golisano Children's Hospital's crowded, semi-private rooms, services that were spread throughout URMC, and facilities that did little to attract new pediatric physicians and specialized staff.

Golisano's original \$14 million gift to name the children's hospital in 2002 helped URMC recruit outstanding faculty and expand programs in cardiac care, general surgery, neuromedicine, and more. But, as



From left, UR President Joel Seligman, Special Olympics Chairman and CEO Timothy P. Shriver, URMCM CEO Bradford C. Berk and B. Thomas Golisano during Shriver's 2010 visit to Rochester as URMCM's Kirch Conference keynote speaker, sponsored by The Golisano Foundation.

a hospital-within-a-hospital, the children's hospital has lacked an identity and facilities to match the caliber of its programs.

Golisano's latest donation now enables URMC to create a modern, dedicated children's hospital. Pending state approval, URMC will construct a six-story, 200,000 square-foot hospital on Crittenden Boulevard adjacent to the current Strong Memorial Hospital lobby and facing the Wilmot Cancer Center. The new building will be financed through a combination of philanthropy, operating equity and external debt.

"The new Golisano Children's Hospital is the ideal setting in which to practice patient- and family-centered care for our

youngest patients," said URMCM CEO Bradford C. Berk, M.D., Ph.D. "This amazing facility will ensure that children will not have to leave our community for care and that families can always remain with their hospitalized children. Plus, it will help us recruit, train and retain the very best caregivers. We are grateful beyond words."

The new Golisano Children's Hospital will become a single building adjacent to Strong Memorial, consolidating all of the units that care for admitted children. It will include a new, 60-bed Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), pediatric imaging and 56 private pediatric rooms. Rooms in the new building will be one-third larger than cur-



2002



2003



2004



2005



2006

B. Thomas Golisano gives \$14M to children's hospital

B. Thomas Golisano, founder and former chief executive officer of Paychex, Inc., provides a \$14 million naming gift to the Children's Hospital, enabling the hospital to begin work on a new Pediatric Intensive Care Unit.

PICU/Ronald McDonald House within the Hospital construction begins

Surgical Suite construction begins

PICU/RMH opens

At 20,000 square feet, the new PICU/PCICU is more than double the size of the previous pediatric ICU, and expanded from 12 to 22 patient rooms.

URMC Pediatrics ranks 27th in NIH funding by NACHRI

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Surgical Suite o
The new surgical dramatically imp pre- and post-op care for children

rent private rooms, ensuring greater comfort for patients, families, and caregivers.

In the spirit of keeping the pediatric inpatient units together in one building, the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit/Pediatric Cardiac Intensive Care Unit (PICU/PCICU) and the Ronald McDonald House-within-the-Hospital will also move to the new building. The House will be rebuilt alongside the PICU/PCICU so parents staying there will be only steps from their seriously ill children.

"When I came to Rochester in 2006, we had top-notch faculty and staff with expertise unparalleled in communities our size," said the hospital's Pediatrician-in-Chief Nina F. Schor, M.D., Ph.D. "What we were missing was the facility to match, and now, thanks to Tom, we're going to have a hospital built expressly around the needs of our patients and families."

Timeline

Because the new construction plan differs from what the New York State Department of Health originally approved in early 2008, URMH will submit the new plans for review. Construction is hoped to begin as early as August 2012, pending state approval, with an estimated completion of February 2015. [For more information about the gift and the new building, visit www.rochester.edu/childrens-hospital/golisano-tower/index.cfm](http://www.rochester.edu/childrens-hospital/golisano-tower/index.cfm)

B. Thomas Golisano

B. Thomas Golisano, is the chairman and founder of Paychex, Inc., a top national provider of payroll and business solutions. Golisano served as the company's president and chief executive officer until 2004. As much as he is known as a savvy businessman Golisano is also known as a generous philanthropist.

Since 1985, Golisano has donated more than \$145 million to charities, including a combined total \$34 million to Golisano Children's Hospital at the University of Rochester Medical Center. Golisano's 2002 gift of \$14 million transformed the hospital, especially its critical care services for kids. In addition, the Golisano Foundation, which he founded in 1985, has given \$1.6 million to UR's Strong Center for Developmental Disabilities to establish the Institute for Innovative Transition, which serves young adults with developmental disabilities. Golisano's new gift of \$20 million will jumpstart the construction of a whole new facility designed to meet the medical needs of the region's children and families.



Golisano demonstrates ongoing generosity and commitment to the greater Rochester community, home of Paychex corporate headquarters, and other organizations in western New York. He has focused much of his giving on health-care, education and services for those with intellectual disabilities. A 2010 gift to Special Olympics International expanded training and increased

the number of health care professionals to provide screenings at Special Olympics events to help meet the unmet healthcare needs of people with intellectual disabilities.

Golisano has made transformative donations to every health system in the Rochester area, to Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital in Syracuse, and many higher education institutions in western New York including Rochester Institute of Technology and Niagara University.

A native of Irondequoit, NY, a suburb of Rochester, Golisano is a graduate of the State University of New York at Alfred.

2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
<p>Schor, M.D., takes over as eighth chair of the Department of Pediatrics</p> <p>U.S. News & World Report ranks Pediatric Orthopaedics and Pediatric Neurology & Neurosurgery at Golisano Children's Hospital among the best in the nation</p> <p>U.S. News & World Report ranks Neonatology, Pediatric Orthopaedics and Pediatric Neurology & Neurosurgery at Golisano Children's Hospital among the best.</p>	<p>Donors endow professorships: William H. Eilinger Chair of Pediatrics, Lindsey Distinguished Professorship for Pediatric Research</p> <p>Golisano Children's Hospital adds pediatric hospitalist services</p> <p>Dedicated Pediatric Sleep Lab opens</p>	<p>Eric Dreyfuss, M.D., endows Founders Chair for Pediatric Allergy</p> <p>Treatment Center re-opens</p> <p>The Pediatric Treatment Center at Golisano Children's Hospital adds seven more private rooms to the center, bringing the total to 10 private spaces.</p> <p>Treatment Center construction begins</p>	<p>Golisano Children's Hospital launches Project SEARCH, Coordinated by the Institute for Innovative Transition at Strong Center for Developmental Disabilities, which is funded by a grant from the Golisano Foundation</p> <p>U.S. News & World Report ranks Pediatric Orthopaedics at Golisano Children's Hospital among the best in the nation</p> <p>URMC Pediatrics ranks 16th in NIH funding by NACHRI</p>	<p>B. Thomas Golisano gives \$20M to kickstart new children's hospital</p> <p>Golisano, pledged \$20 million to the children's hospital that bears his name. With this gift, the Medical Center announced plans to build a new \$134 million children's hospital dedicated to the care of sick and injured youngsters.</p>



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