

Rotary Club of Star Valley  
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Summary of Existing Star Valley Rotary Mammography Project

Wyoming ranks 43<sup>rd</sup> in the United States of per capita women who seek routine mammograms. The Star Valley, located in Lincoln County, is the lowest county per capita in the State for women receiving these services.

In 2013, the Rotary Club of Star Valley developed a fund and program to provide free mammograms for women in need in our Valley. Funds were provided by local businesses, banks and Star Valley Rotary from our various fund raising projects. The initial account was \$1500. Our fund raising is ongoing.

The funding and logistics are managed through the Star Valley Medical Center Foundation and Business Office. Under the umbrella of the Hospital foundation, the fund has grown, and to date has a balance of \$5400. This is due to the generosity of the community and former, grateful patients.

In the initial process, our club negotiated with the Business Office and the Radiology Department to get a discounted price of \$225 per patient for a mammogram and radiological reading. This is far below the regular cost.

Since introducing this program the number of women using this program are as follows:

2013	3
2014	3
2015	5
Year to date 2016	3

In 2013 and 2014 the State had a program, "Caring for Women" which was also available and some women took advantage of that program. Since then, that

program is no longer available and we are seeing a slight increase in use. How many lives have been saved, we can only speculate. All communication regarding patients is strictly confidential.

To promote this program, Star Valley Rotary created a Women's Breast Care Luncheon and Fashion Show (The Mother/Daughter Luncheon) at the Hospital Conference Center. The guest speaker was a local physician and breast cancer survivor. The fashion show included several members of Star Valley Rotary.

The cooperation of many Hospital Departments was required to make this program possible. They include the following: Administration, Business Office, Food Service, Radiology, Reception, and countless support staff. Relationships with staff and our Rotary Club remain strong and communication is frequent.

Our Centennial Humanitarian Project is to share this model with other clubs and provide support and participation in their beginning efforts. Our goal is to work with a minimum of 2 clubs but we plan on helping at least 4.