



The need for our heart expertise is accelerating.

The Seton Heart Institute is a success by any measure. Our region's first heart transplant was performed at Seton in 1986. Today, Ascension Seton continues to be the regional leader in advanced heart and vascular care, and remains the only place in the region to get a heart transplant. We can't rest on our laurels, however. Heart disease is the number one killer of men and women in the U.S., and the population in Austin and the surrounding Central Texas region is increasing and aging. Over the next ten years, we expect to see an increase of more than 800,000 cardiac patient visits in the 11-county area we serve. In addition, exceptional cardiovascular care is tied closely to investments in leading-edge technological advancements. Expanding our services and increasing the quantity and quality of our technology will help us maintain our leading care position in the region.

Our goal is to not just meet our high demand, but to raise the level of care through shortened wait times, increased presence in neighborhood clinics, advanced diagnostic imaging technologies and reduced hospital stays.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

Improve patient access to timely, expert-level care by screening and treating patients quickly, offering telemedicine capacity and by increasing access in neighborhood clinics in Westlake, Georgetown and Bastrop.

Establish a new cardiovascular fellowship program—the first in Central Texas—to train the next generation of exceptional specialists and keep a qualified talent pipeline close to home.

Invest in leading-edge diagnostic and imaging equipment and technology.

21

CARDIO CENTERS

throughout Austin are not enough. Even more patient access is critical.

15%

INCREASE

in the number of potential patients over the age of 45 by the year 2023.

1 in 4

DEATHS

occur among patients with heart disease.