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Hindsight (and Donor Recognition) is 20/20

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Recognition in Lurie Children's

- Opened June 9, 2012
- 23-story state-of-the-art children's hospital
- Top children's hospital in Illinois
- Provided care for more than 208,000 patients in 2017
- Since 2012, expanded to include:
 - 5 new locations (12 total)
 - 3 new partners (15 total)
 - 2 new affiliations



Let's Start By Looking Back...

- 2006 Planning: values, design and signage standards
- 2012 Implementation: special requests, donor walls and installations
- 2018 Maintenance: annual updates and ever expanding data and policies



Design and Signage Standards

Jane Doe Family Foundation Jane Doe Family Foundation

Tier 3 Dimensional Letters 3" Cap Height

















Community Partner Plaque (Double)

- Integrate recognition signage with way finding signage
- Consider annual updates and maintenance costs
- Create standards with flexibility, to serve as a framework



Lead Donor Recognition

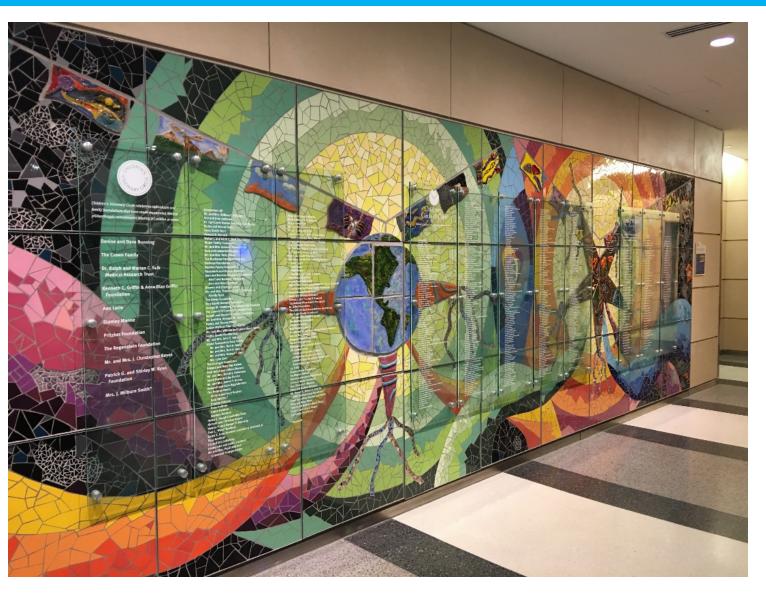


- Use art as recognition
- Consider a lead donor's values and preferences
 - Create recognition that is inspired by them but not overtly ABOUT them
- Consider a lead donor's and project's ideal timeline

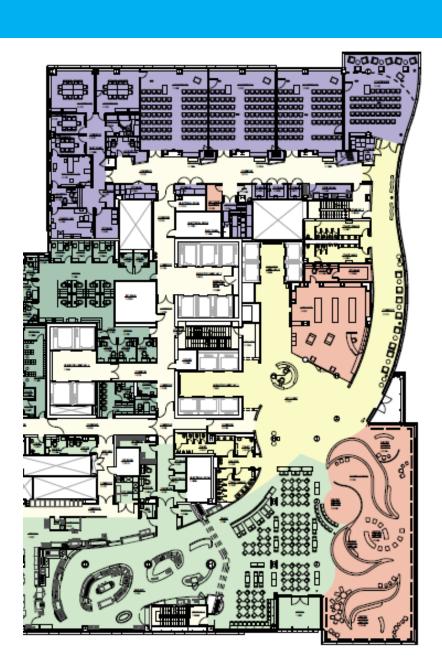


Placement and Capacity for Recognition

- Current displays and new needs
- Considering placement in a building under construction and capacity needed 30 years in the future
- Integrating donor recognition program with hospital art program



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- Remember the mission of your institution: space for recognition should and will take a back seat!
- Design displays for new programs to be as flexible as possible
- Consider capital campaigns as "moments in time" for most installations
- Keep branding on elements that lend themselves to updates



Honoring the Hospital's Philanthropic History

- Audit of all existing recognition in old hospital
- White Paper and Inventory generated to guide process
- Pathways created to help guide colleagues in using decommissioning to recognize donors in the ways most meaningful to them







- Tell an inspiring story
- Demonstrate how you value donors
- Steward generational philanthropy





In Summary

