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**UnityPoint Health – Trinity hosts Heart Center/Emergency Department community open house**

*Community members are encouraged to tour the new facility*

UnityPoint Health – Trinity will host a community open house of the new Heart Center/Emergency Department from **noon to 5 p.m., Sunday, March 29**, at Trinity Rock Island. Community members are invited to tour the new space that day before it opens for patient care in mid-April.

Community members will be able to tour the all-new state-of-the-art emergency department (ED) including trauma, short-stay, exam and radiology rooms as well as the specially secured triage area. Visitors will be able to walk through the new Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) including three patient safe rooms, interview rooms, and a “living room” area that will provide a higher quality of care to behavioral health patients. The tour will also flow through the comprehensive Heart Center to allow visitors to view new cardiac treatment areas, non-invasive treatment areas (NIDT), cath lab and cardiac rehabilitation center.

Overflow parking is available across from Rock Island High School on 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue for those that plan to attend. A shuttle will be running to transport visitors to and from their vehicles. Community members will enter the tour through the new Emergency Department entrance on the west side of the building.

Originally announced on Jan. 24, 2013, Trinity officials formally broke ground on the 90,000 square-foot, three-story expansion in June 2013. Located at the front of the hospital, the \$61.3 million construction expansion – the largest in the facility’s history – is designed to improve patient safety and privacy, better coordinate care, reduce operational costs and accommodate increased demand. The facility will open to patients on Sunday, April 19.

The new ED facility will assist in the staff’s ability to quickly consult and treat a diverse set of patients. The ED will have a 12 bed short-stay observation unit, 22 general treatment stations, dedicated trauma room, radiology and cardiac treatment rooms as well as the new CSU.

The comprehensive heart center will provide all cardiac services on one campus. The space will have four catheterization laboratories with one dedicated to electrophysiology cases, 20 cardiac treatment beds, six NIDT rooms and 26 cardiac rehabilitation stations. The space also includes a floor dedicated to follow-up education, staffed by dietitians and exercise therapists.

The project was funded through a combination of internal reserves and borrowing through Trinity’s parent company, UnityPoint Health. Over the course of two years, the Trinity Health Foundation successfully raised \$6.75 million in cash gifts to support the new Emergency

Department and Heart Center. Support for the campaign was strong, coming from a wide cross-section of donors including physicians, staff, board members, corporations, foundations, and community leaders. Of the \$6.75 million raised, Trinity physicians alone donated \$2.2 million and Trinity staff donated \$1.2 million.

A lead gift of \$1 million to the Emergency Department and Heart Center was provided by local couple, Lawrence and Marilyn Matteson, who hoped to inspire many others to give. Also instrumental in the success of the campaign was a \$25,000 matching challenge issued by Trinity Chief Medical Officer Dr. Paul McLoone and his wife, Susan. Their gift helped to raise more than \$57,000 from the community in the final months of the campaign.

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