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Mass. hospitals pass \$1B in community benefits for third consecutive year



The new patient care pavilion at Cape Cod Hospital, which was among the Massachusetts hospitals that, in total, last year contributed \$1.1 billion in community investments, the largest total amount on record.

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Massachusetts hospitals last year contributed \$1.1 billion in community investments, the largest total amount on record.

It's the third straight year that hospitals in the state have [crested the \\$1 billion mark](#) in community benefits expenditures. Community benefits are programs at hospitals that address health disparities and health concerns through partnerships and capital transfer to local organizations.

The community benefits investments tracked were contributed by 51 hospitals, 49 of which are nonprofit, according to a [report from the Office of the Attorney General](#).

Five health maintenance organizations (HMOs) contributed an additional roughly \$500 million. The community investments included in the report occurred in fiscal 2025.

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“Far too many communities continue to experience inequities in access to healthcare, and the community benefits program is an important way that hospitals and HMOs can invest in improving public health,” Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell said in a statement.

The AG’s office highlighted programs funded by contributions from Health New England, New England Baptist Hospital, Emerson Hospital and North Adams Regional Hospital to programs including Women of Color Health Equity Collective, Project Search High School Transition, Home Care Visit Program and Operation Better Start.

The programs fall into priority areas in the community-benefits guidelines, which are chronic disease, housing stability and homelessness, mental health and substance use disorder.

This year, \$120 million of the funds from the hospitals went toward free and discounted care for patients, according to the Massachusetts Health & Hospital Association.

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The Largest Hospitals in Massachusetts

Total net patient revenue for 2024

Rank	Prior Rank	Hospital/Prior rank (*unranked in 2024)/
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2	2	Brigham and Women's Hospital
3	3	UMass Memorial Medical Center
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