



# HOPE LIVES HERE

*The Donor Newsletter of Chase Brexton Health Care*

## SAVE THE DATE!

### Estate Planning Workshop

Wednesday, October 23,  
Chase Brexton Health Care  
*Learn how your legacy can serve others while earning you valuable tax benefits. Details on page 2.*

### Whitman Walker's Walk to End HIV

Saturday, October 26,  
Washington, D.C.  
*Register to join the Chase Brexton team or make a gift to support our team's fundraising goal. Details at <http://tiny.cc/ChaseBrextoninDC>.*

### Thanksgiving Drive

Through November 15  
*Drop off food and gift card donations to help us fill Thanksgiving baskets for those in need. Details on back page.*

### #GivingTuesday

Tuesday, December 3  
*Celebrate the day of giving by making a gift to Chase Brexton at [ChaseBrexton.org/Give](http://ChaseBrexton.org/Give). Contact Clare at [cellriott@chasebrexton.org](mailto:cellriott@chasebrexton.org) to learn more.*

### Chase Brexton Gala

Saturday, May 2  
*Save the date for "A Night at the Moulin Rouge," the 2020 theme of our signature gala. Proceeds benefit patients in need and LGBT health equity training. Visit [www.ChaseBrextonEvents.org](http://www.ChaseBrextonEvents.org) for more details.*

## Help Us Secure a Major Grant Opportunity

In our ongoing efforts to forge community-building partnerships with Maryland's corporate and non-profit organizations, Chase Brexton was recently invited to submit a grant proposal with a prominent local organization. However, the first 50 percent of our \$2.01 million capital needs budget has to be independently funded.

### Why This Matters

Chase Brexton relies on the support of grant-making organizations to help us deliver close to \$5 million in uncompensated care to patients in need each year. But there are many more people who still need our help. This grant opportunity could exponentially increase our ability to care for patients in our most underserved communities. So let's do everything we can to earn it!

### How You Can Help

**Make a gift to Chase Brexton today using the enclosed envelope.** All proceeds raised from this edition and the spring 2020 edition of our newsletter will be directly applied to our capital needs budget to help us achieve our grant-invitation goal of just over \$1 million.

Because this is such a significant opportunity for our community, consider making a larger gift. For example, a \$500 donation would provide a new scale for our exam rooms. A \$15,000 gift would cover the cost of a life-saving EKG machine. Rally together as a family or an organization to make a bigger impact. Every gift puts us closer to our goal line and provides valuable equipment, technology, and facility upgrades for our patients.

**Interested in making a larger gift?** Call 410-837-2050 ext.1144 to speak with Alexa Milanytch, Director of Development for one-on-one assistance.

## Special Congrats!

Three Chase Brexton leaders—LGBT Health Resource Center Director Sam McClure, former Board Member Eugene Cornelius, and former Board Member Betsy Cerulo—were honored as national BEQ Pride Legacy Leaders by BEQ Pride Magazine.





## An Update from Our President and CEO

When I consider the vital work accomplished by Chase Brexton, I recognize that it is the patients, Board of Directors, employees, volunteers,

and you, our donors—who shape, guide, and sustain the organization and its mission. Because of this support, Chase Brexton has provided compassionate quality health care that honors diversity, inspires wellness, and improves our communities for more than 40 years.

I would like to recognize our Board of Directors, a special group of volunteers who meet monthly and donate countless hours to our organization. **Our Board reflects the communities we serve and helps create a healthy environment to sustain our mission.**

The Board and Senior Leadership Team have set a strategic, four-part vision to guide us this fiscal year and beyond; we have shared it with our employees, and are pleased to share it with you:

**1. Quality:** Maintain Chase Brexton Health Care’s clinical excellence for LGBT, transgender care, and HIV services, and establish Chase Brexton as a leader in clinical management for diabetes, coronary artery disease, OB/GYN care, and pediatrics.

**2. Patient Experience:** Provide an excellent patient experience increasing access, customer service, patient communication, and integrated care.

**3. Employee Engagement:** Improve engagement to increase recruitment and retention.

**4. Growth:** Identify growth opportunities for both current and new services that increase patient access, integration of services, provider productivity, pharmacy diversification, and partnerships with health systems and community organizations.

Each area is supported by IT advances and, when put into practice, will help us maintain our financial sustainability and fulfill our mission and vision.

**With the opportunity at hand to apply for a generous matching grant from a local foundation, now, more than ever, your contribution counts!**

Sincerely,

Patrick F. Mutch  
President and CEO



## Don't Miss Our Estate Planning Workshop

**Wednesday, October 23 | 4 P.M.**  
**Brexton's Community Room, 1111 N Charles Street, Baltimore**

Discover the rewards of being a Legacy Society member! Join panelists from Brown Advisory, Morgan Stanley, and the Baltimore Community Foundation, as well current Legacy Society members, to learn how including Chase Brexton in your estate plan can help you achieve your goal of serving others while earning you valuable tax benefits.

**To register, or for more information, contact Director of Development Alexa Milanytch at 410-837-2050 x1144 or [amilanytch@chasebrexton.org](mailto:amilanytch@chasebrexton.org).**

## How and Where Your Donation Was Used

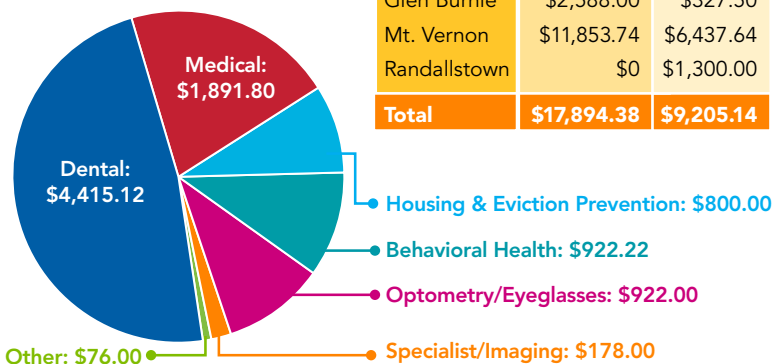
The Hope Lives Here program goal is to expand assistance to all our Chase Brexton Centers. Between January and June of 2019, you helped 105 patients receive needed care. Thank you! There are hundreds more in need of your generosity. Please continue to support your community today at [HopeLivesHereMaryland.org](http://HopeLivesHereMaryland.org).

### Hope Lives Here Report\*

*\*Does not include uncompensated care.*

*CY2019 is from Jan-June*

	CY2018	CY2019
Columbia	\$3,452.64	\$1,140.00
Easton	\$0	\$0
Glen Burnie	\$2,588.00	\$327.50
Mt. Vernon	\$11,853.74	\$6,437.64
Randallstown	\$0	\$1,300.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,894.38</b>	<b>\$9,205.14</b>



# Spring/Summer 2019 Highlights



**April 3**

Chase Brexton welcomes CDC Director Dr. Robert Redfield to host a community roundtable discussion about ending HIV across America.



**May 10**

U.S. Senator Chris Van Hollen of Maryland speaks with Chase Brexton's leadership and tours the Mt. Vernon facility, providing us an opportunity to advocate for our patients.



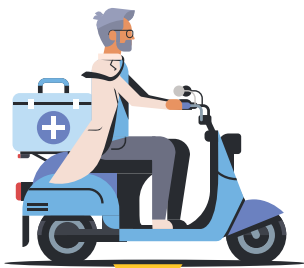
**May 16**

More than 100 community members gathered at Baltimore Center Stage to celebrate National Honor Our LGBT Elders Day.



**June 14 – 29**

Chase Brexton was out in full force for this year's Baltimore Pride, as well as Howard County's and Upper Chesapeake's first-ever Pride celebrations.



**July 23**

Our HIV medicine delivery service expanded to Randallstown, making it our fourth Center to provide medication more conveniently to patients living with HIV.



**September 13**

Our 4th annual Back-to-School Drive ended. This year's hugely successful initiative provided annual physicals, plus free backpacks and school supplies, to more than 1,300 kids—25% of whom were new patients.



## Patient Spotlight: Dayna's Story

When Dayna Waheedah was diagnosed with AIDS in 1981, the disease was a virtual death sentence. She began to abuse alcohol and drugs, certain that she would not see her 25th birthday. Things changed when a doctor referred her to Chase Brexton Health Care in 1987.

"I found people here who were kind and compassionate," she says. "They made me feel like it was worth me living."

*"They've allowed me to be who I am, I have a lot more hope today."*

For more than three decades, Dayna has continued to visit Chase Brexton for primary care, social work services, transgender health care, and mental health care. With the support of her care team, Dayna has coped with the traumas of her past, and transitioned last year.

"They've allowed me to be who I am," she says. "I have a lot more hope today."

**Help more patients like Dayna get the care and support they need by making a gift at [ChaseBrexton.org/Donate](https://ChaseBrexton.org/Donate).**

# Help Us Fill Thanksgiving Baskets for those in Need in Our Community

## Requested Items:

Canned vegetables • Boxed/bagged potatoes  
Rice or rice mixes • Boxed pasta mixes  
Boxed stuffing • Cans of fruit • Cans of gravy  
Cranberry sauce/jelly • Pumpkin pie or fruit pie filling  
Cookie/cake mix • Grocery store gift cards (to help with perishables & turkeys!) • Square laundry baskets (or other creative food baskets)



**Drop off:** Social Work Department at Chase Brexton's Mt. Vernon Center; 6th Floor

**Due by:** November 15, 2019



**Need items picked up? Have a question?**  
Call Andy Zipay, case manager, 410-837-2050 x1430



## Chase Brexton Board of Directors

We are grateful to our Board of Directors for their commitment to Chase Brexton:

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# 2019 Baltimore AIDS Walk & Music Festival Raises Record-Setting Funds

With more than 500 registrants, 52 teams, and 10 community partners, the 2019 AIDS Walk & Music Festival Baltimore raised more than \$150,000—a new event record. All proceeds support HIV services at Chase Brexton and its community partners.

**This summer alone, funds raised from the Walk have enabled Chase Brexton to deliver nearly 5,000 prescriptions to those living with HIV.** These medications are essential to helping patients keep their viral loads low or undetectable and protecting their overall health. Here are three more ways you can support the Walk's mission to end HIV.

## Stay Involved Year-Round

Keep the fundraising momentum going by hosting your own team or individual fundraiser. Contact Clare Elliott at [celliott@chasebrexton.org](mailto:celliott@chasebrexton.org) for more information.

## Save the Date

Join us in June 2021 for the next Walk. In the meantime, you can look forward to a new and improved Walk website, as well as regular updates on how AIDS Walk & Music Festival dollars are impacting your community.

## Protect Your Sexual Health

There are many online resources to help you. Get the facts at [UEqualsUMaryland.org](http://UEqualsUMaryland.org) or visit [ChaseBrexton.org/POWER-Project](http://ChaseBrexton.org/POWER-Project) for HIV testing hours and locations.

Thank You to the 2019 AIDS Walk & Music Festival Top Corporate Partners!



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Sunday, June 6, 2021**

