



At Athens Regional Medical Center our goal is to deliver the best healthcare available in Athens, McMinn and Meigs Counties and surrounding areas as we seek to make our community healthier. With the help of dedicated physicians, employees, volunteers and Board members, along with your continued support and encouragement, we continue to move forward to provide the services you need close to home. Delivering quality healthcare is a big part of the contribution we make.

Helping to make Athens healthier

Athens Regional has been recognized three times for achieving our goal of providing quality healthcare. In 2004, our hospital was the recipient of LifePoint Hospital's "High Five" Award for outstanding performance in all five of the company's core values, one of which is providing community value. Then in 2006, and again in 2008, Athens Regional was the "High Five" winner in the American Division of LifePoint Hospitals. But there are many other ways a hospital can make a positive impact on the community it serves. Here are a few of the other ways we are making a difference.

Millions spent in capital improvements

In 2006, Athens Regional completed construction on a \$6 million Emergency Department that nearly doubled the size of the old ER. Also completed in 2006 was Athens Medical Arts Plaza, a 26,000 square foot professional office building to house physician practices. The old ER was completely renovated in 2008 into a totally self-contained day surgery unit. Patient care is provided from start to finish in this beautiful 14-room facility. In February of 2009, most of the second floor of Athens Medical Arts Plaza became the Athens Regional Breast Center. This beautiful addition offers all of the hospital's breast imaging services for women under one roof. An important highlight

of the new Breast Center is the Senographe Essential Full-field digital mammography system, the first digital mammography ever available in the community.

Contributing to our local tax base

Last year, Athens Regional Medical Center paid \$1,041,538 in taxes that have helped to support our city, county and state. This included sales taxes as well as property taxes. These dollars help to support local schools, development of roads, recruitment of business and industry, and other needed services. We are all aware how important this is to our community, especially during challenging economic times.

Helping those in need

Athens Regional Medical Center provided over \$58.3 million in uncompensated care last year, which included the amounts not covered by government-sponsored programs such as Medicare and Medicaid. This amount includes \$5.4 million for charity care and bad debts, incurred as we cared for many people without sufficient resources. We are committed to meet our community needs regardless of ability to pay.



John Workman, CEO
Athens Regional Medical Center

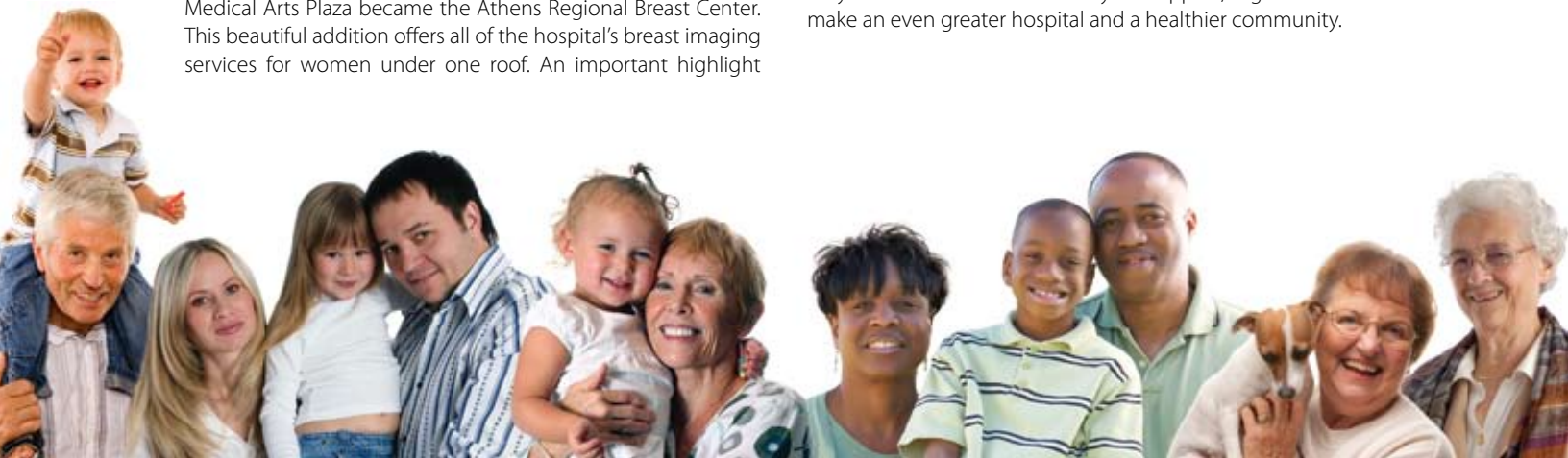
Adding new physicians

During the past year, Athens Regional has added orthopedic surgeon David Robins, M.D. to our highly respected medical staff.

One of our community's major employers

With a payroll of over \$18.2 million and more than 400 employees, Athens Regional Medical Center is one of the largest employers in the region.

We thank you for choosing Athens Regional Medical Center for your healthcare needs. With your support, together we can make an even greater hospital and a healthier community.



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COMMUNITY BENEFIT REPORT

Charity care and bad debt\$5,455,000

Government-sponsored health care\$52,908,000
Includes unpaid cost of Medicare and Medicaid

Community benefit programs\$254,329

Financial contributions.....	\$21,507
LifePoint Community Foundation grant to Tennessee Wesleyan College.....	\$3,000
Health professionals education.....	\$38,783
Community health services.....	\$46,935
Physician recruitment.....	\$144,104

Taxes paid.....\$1,041,538

Property and other taxes.....	\$300,000
Local sales taxes.....	\$164,786
State sales taxes.....	\$576,752

2008 TOTAL **\$59,658,867**

In addition, the hospital's payroll of \$18.2 million and capital investments of more than \$2 million last year contributed significantly to the community's economic success.

SPONSORSHIPS AND DONATIONS

Athens Regional Medical Center and our employees are pleased to have been able to support the following activities and organizations during the past year.

- American Business Woman's Association
- American Cancer Society
- American Heart Association
- Athens Area Council for the Arts
- Athens, McMinn, Meigs, Polk County School Systems
- Athletic physicals for area High School and Jr. High School students (400+ annually)
- Autism, Alzheimers, Ostomy, Diabetes Support Groups
- Chambers of Commerce for Athens/McMinn, Etowah, Meigs County, Monroe County
- City Park Elementary School
- Cleveland State Community College
- CPR classes
- Cystic Fibrosis
- East Tennessee Children's Hospital
- First Aid classes (16)
- Flu shots (approximately 3000 annually)
- Girl Scouts
- Good Faith Clinic
- Health Fairs (17)
- Hepatitis B Vaccines (92)
- Junior Achievement
- Kiwanis Club
- Lions Club
- March of Dimes
- McMinn Area Cancer Relief Fund
- McMinn County Education Foundation
- McMinn County Living Heritage Museum
- McMinn County Rescue Squad
- McMinn County Senior Citizens Center
- Meigs County Fairest of the Fair
- Meigs County Ministerial Association
- Mid-East Tennessee Regional Fair
- Optimist Club (Friendly Fellow Flu Shot Program)
- Perinatal classes
- Rotary Club
- Screenings (7)
- Senior Friends/Seniority Breakfasts
- Smoky Mountain Boy Scout Council
- Tennessee Medical Foundation
- Tennessee Technology Center
- Tennessee Wesleyan College
- United Way of McMinn & Meigs Counties
- YMCA

"Government-sponsored health care" includes governmental and private payor contractual adjustments or reductions. "Physician recruitment costs" include recruitment costs and support of new physicians' initial practice establishment in the community. Payroll includes consolidated salaries, wages, benefits and contract labor costs. "Capital investments" include facility expansions/renovations, equipment purchases, technology replacement, information technology additions/updates, and routine facility upkeep and maintenance.