

A CASE TO SUPPORT

Maryland's Eastern Shore Rural Health Initiative

# Strengthening Health Care and Creating Educational Opportunities



# The University of Maryland, Baltimore invites you to invest in the health and well-being of the Eastern Shore.

The University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) is committed to educating the best and brightest scholars and, in partnership with the University of Maryland Medical System (UMMS), addressing health care needs on the Eastern Shore.

Our ambitious plan to improve the quality of health care on the Eastern Shore addresses critical junctures throughout all educational levels.

## UMB's Approach

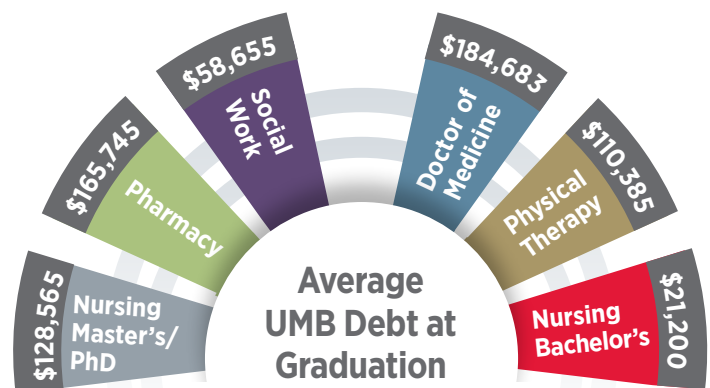
- 1** **Provide** scholarships for public school students on the Eastern Shore to attend UMB and return to the Eastern Shore to practice.
- 2** **Create** clinical rotations and professional training opportunities, allowing UMB students to spend significant time on the Shore.
- 3** **Support** science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) enrichment programs at public elementary, middle, and high schools on the Eastern Shore.
- 4** **Engage** health providers on the Eastern Shore in educational opportunities and mentorship for students interested in pursuing a career in health care.

## You can make a student's dream reality.

We want to enable more students from the Eastern Shore to pursue degrees in health care. In a rural region where many live below the poverty line, the cost of professional education can be a significant barrier. And the cost of education is rising.

UMB has created current-use and endowed scholarship funds, ensuring that students from the Eastern Shore — now and for generations to come — will be able to attend UMB without worrying about the financial burden.

Your philanthropic gift can create a legacy and foster the promising futures of deserving and exceptional Eastern Shore students.



## Committed to the Eastern Shore

“As a lifelong resident of the mid-Shore, I was determined to do something that would make a real difference and improve the lives of folks here. When you have a good health care system, I think you’re on the way to achieving that. Creating an endowment with UMB will help Shore students and help make health care on this mid-Shore area the highest quality it can be.”

— Lawrence Hayman



A transformational \$18 million gift from Lawrence Hayman (right), in honor of his lifelong friendship with Bruce Jarrell, MD, FACS, president of UMB (left), will support UMB’s work on the Eastern Shore. The friends grew up together in the Dorchester and Caroline County areas and are committed to improving the health and well-being of Shore communities.



“Receiving a scholarship to attend the University of Maryland School of Nursing has not only helped alleviate some financial burden, but it has also affirmed my dedication to making a meaningful impact in the field of anesthesia, particularly in historically underserved communities.

The scholarship will contribute to my dream of practicing anesthesia in a local Maryland community hospital. I have always lived in Maryland and plan to continue working here after graduation as I love this state and feel that I can make an impact. Expanding access to care and helping to create a positive relationship with health care in the community have always been close to my heart.”

**Taylor DeRosa**

University of Maryland School of Nursing, Student, Doctor of Nursing Practice-Anesthesia Specialty, Class of 2025  
Hometown: North East, Md.

“We are pleased to partner with the University of Maryland, Baltimore Eastern Shore Rural Health Initiative. UMB provides top-tier medical training and is committed to the health and well-being of the Eastern Shore. We are excited that our gift to support a University of Maryland School of Medicine rural health scholarship will help create a pipeline of talented medical professionals who will provide exceptional health care to Eastern Shore families and communities.”

— Mac MacLure, JD '81, and Anne MacLure



## Train here. Stay here.

Clinical experiences introduce our students to the benefits of practicing – and living – on the Eastern Shore. Our research shows that these opportunities are critical to ensuring that the Shore has a pipeline of highly educated, experienced providers who also understand the complex challenges of rural health care.

**60 percent of physician assistants** who performed clinical rotations in Easton stayed to work in the area after graduation.

**One-third of residents** who train in rural locations stay to practice in that location.

With the University of Maryland Shore Regional Health's new, state-of-the-art Regional Medical Center project underway, it's more pressing than ever to attract health care professionals to the Eastern Shore. UMB is further investing in the community by providing incentives for graduates who choose to work on the Shore, creating a robust workforce pipeline.



"I grew up on the Eastern Shore of Maryland where, like many other rural areas in the country, communities face many challenges in terms of access to medicine. At the School of Medicine, I have worked to promote the importance of rural medicine to my peers and gained clinical experience through rotations in rural practices – one of which was my grandparents'

doctor! These experiences have solidified my desire to ultimately return to my rural roots and practice rural medicine, helping to address barriers and bring access to health care in these areas."

**Madison Parks, MD '23,**  
University of Maryland  
School of Medicine  
Hometown: Denton, Md.



"My experience as a physician assistant student at University of Maryland Shore Regional Health was amazing. The providers are very knowledgeable and passionate about their careers as well as the unique patient population they serve. The atmosphere within the hospital and outpatient centers is one of kindness, compassion, and commitment to providing effective medical care to all. Perhaps most importantly, the community resource teams and the patients have embraced the opportunity to teach future medical providers, which was instrumental in helping me to obtain a well-rounded medical education."

**McKayla Kelly, MS '23**

University of Maryland  
School of Graduate Studies,  
Physician Assistant Program  
Family Medicine Physician  
Assistant, Choptank  
Community Health System

## PARTNER WITH US

Join us in our commitment to strengthen health care access and health science education on the Eastern Shore.

To learn more about opportunities to help advance these critical initiatives for decades to come, please contact:

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