THE HOSPITAL: Holy Cross Health comprises of two hospitals – Holy Cross Hospital and Holy Cross Germantown Hospital, under the Trinity Health System. Holy Cross Health along with Trinity Health serves in the spirit of the Gospel as a compassionate and transforming healing presence within our communities. The hospital carries out this mission in the community through the commitment to be the most trusted provider of health care services. The core values of the health system are as follows:

- Reverence: We honor the sacredness and dignity of every person;
- Commitment to those who are poor: We stand with and serve those who are poor, especially those most vulnerable;
- Justice: We foster right relationships to promote the common good, including sustainability of Earth;
- Stewardship: We honor our heritage and hold ourselves accountable for the human, financial and natural resources entrusted to our care;
- Integrity: We are faithful to who we say we are.

THE BENEFITS OF THE 340B PROGRAM: The intent of the 340B program is to allow covered entities to “stretch scarce federal resources as far as possible, reaching more eligible patients and providing more comprehensive services.” Some examples of how Holy Cross Health accomplishes this intent are through its Charity Care, Health Centers, translation services, and OBGYN clinic services, among others. The 340B program allows Holy Cross Health the ability to provide many non-reimbursable services. Services such as transportation to patients in financial need, allowing them to access essential health care services, provide clinical pharmacy services, such as disease self-management programs, medication therapy management along with a collaborative practice agreement. This program has allowed our hospitals to establish additional outpatient clinics to improve access, serving approximately 49,000 patients and it has allowed our hospital to create new community outreach programs such as our senior health services, our fitness and wellness programs, our affordable health centers, diabetes prevention and education, dialysis services and much more. The 340B program allows the hospitals to provide financial assistance to patients unable to afford their prescriptions. For example, the 340B program has allowed patients in our Outpatient Infusion Center to receive access to chemotherapy treatment closer to home. The 340B program has helped to fund medical services such as obstetrics, diabetes education, and oncology services. The program has afforded us the ability to offer free vaccinations for vulnerable populations and the ability to provide discharge prescriptions as part of program efforts to reduce avoidable readmissions. Services offered at Holy Cross Health have offered a community benefit of $51 million, including $32 million of financial assistance.

IMPACT IF THE PROGRAM WAS SCALED BACK: If the 340B program were to be scaled back some of the services we provide to our patients at Holy Cross Health may be limited or would not exist. The savings received from the 340B program help to fund many services at Holy Cross and assists in providing comprehensive and specialized services at our facility. As mentioned above the Charity Care, Health Centers, translation services, transportation services and many other services are made possible in part due to the savings from the 340B program. Reducing or eliminating the 340 Program could decrease access to care and services for the medically and financially vulnerable patients and community that Holy Cross Health serves.