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## **Giving Back is in Our Jeans**

**Gulf Winds staff members donate \$10,626 to the Children’s Miracle Network in partnership with NAFCU**

**Pensacola, FL.** – Gulf Winds presented the Children's Miracle Network at Ascension Sacred Heart with a donation for \$10,626 on April 5, 2021. The annual donation was the culmination of weekly donations made by Gulf Winds staff members to participate in the casual day jeans program.

"As a not-for-profit hospital, we depend on our community for support, says Will Condon, President, Studer Family Children's Hospital at Ascension Sacred Heart. "We are grateful to Gulf Winds Credit Union and their employees for their continued support of our mission through their casual day jeans program. Every gift helps us provide the highest level of pediatric care close to home."

Since 2012, Gulf Winds staff members have donated over \$85,000 as part of the casual day program. The donations are provided to NAFCU/PAC who matches the donation to the local Children’s Miracle Network. "We have a very generous and caring team," said Jarrell Flanders, Gulf Winds’ Vice President of People & Development. "It’s easy to make exceptions to our dress code to help children and families receive top-level medical care."

After presenting the check, the Gulf Winds team had the opportunity to tour the Bear Family Foundation Oncology Center for Hope. "It’s truly amazing to have a state-of-the-art facility like the Studer Family Children’s Hospital right here in Pensacola," said Chris Rutledge, CEO/President of Gulf Winds. "The new Bear Family Oncology Center for Hope is an invaluable resource for families going through one of the most difficult situations anyone can experience. We are proud to play our part in supporting those kids and families."

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