



1921 *Society*

A Bold Idea

For more than a century, Cleveland Clinic has delivered exceptional care and breakthrough discoveries that have changed the course of healthcare. Founded in 1921 by four physicians returning to Cleveland after serving in World War I, we have grown into a global enterprise caring for more than seven million patients annually. We are consistently ranked as one of the top hospitals in the world.

Philanthropy has been instrumental in this growth over the last century.

Compassionate benefactors have provided crucial resources to seed discoveries, build leading-edge facilities and deliver care that has changed and saved lives. The impact of these leadership gifts has multiplied over time. To recognize the donors' dedication and thank them for their commitment to our patients and communities, the *1921 Society* was established.



Cleveland Clinic is such an exceptional organization and is a place where giving makes great things happen. Together, we are making today's advances in healthcare possible, and those needed tomorrow.”

— NORMA LERNER
Chair, *1921 Society*

THE 1921 Society

It all began with a single donor with a big idea. Among her and her husband Alfred's many transformational contributions and visionary efforts at Cleveland Clinic, Norma Lerner suggested creating a recognition society to emphasize the importance of philanthropy.

In 2005, the *1921 Society* was launched as a community of donors who have made lifetime gifts of \$1 million or more to Cleveland Clinic. Since then, induction ceremonies have welcomed new members, and today, there are more than 600 individuals, families, corporations and foundations in this remarkable group.



A Remarkable *Community*

The individuals, families, corporations and foundations that are part of the *1921 Society* share a passion for changing and saving lives. They aspire to do the most good in the world and view Cleveland Clinic as the place to make a meaningful investment. Our donors find that marrying their philanthropic interests with Cleveland Clinic's mission translates into a far-reaching impact.





The *1921 Society* members also value collaboration. They are part of an enterprise of people working collectively on innovative, bold ideas and led by the field's most accomplished and passionate caregivers. Members of the *1921 Society* receive regular communications from our leadership team and are invited to our main campus in Ohio for a celebration that includes important updates on the advances in healthcare made possible by their generosity.

In addition, members of the *1921 Society* can receive assistance with appointments on our main campus in Ohio and at Cleveland Clinic Florida. This service is one way to acknowledge donors for their extraordinary commitment to our organization.



Making an *Impact*

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Our family is truly pleased to be able to help with our gift and it is really inspirational to think that research projects right here in Cleveland will springboard to help patients around the world.”

— TERRI AND RONALD E. WEINBERG, SR.
Inducted, 2013

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Cleveland Clinic stands alone in patient care, always putting the patient first. Here, humanity is side by side with science. This is a place to come to get well. We have a mission, and we can fulfill that mission only with philanthropy.”

— MINDY AND BOB RICH
Inducted, 2005



It's only when you are a patient and you meet the doctors and nurses, that you see the care they take and how wonderfully well the Clinic is run, that you realize how terrific it is and that you really want to support Cleveland Clinic in every possible way that you can."

— SHEILA AND ERIC SAMSON
Inducted, 2006

For More Information

We look forward to discussing the *1921 Society* with you. For any questions regarding membership, contact us:

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