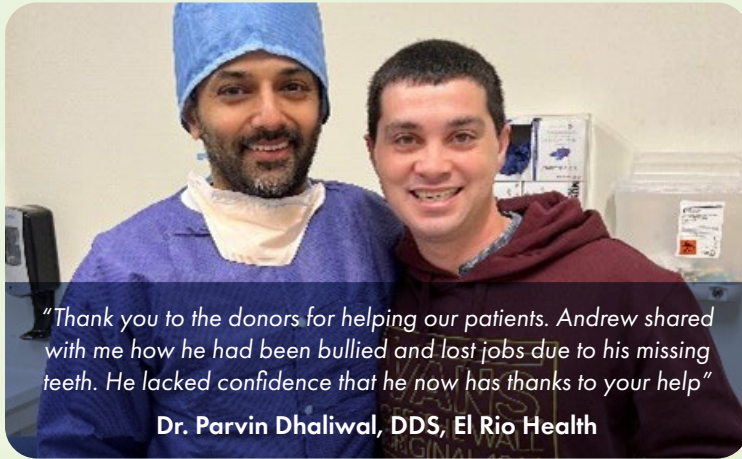


# You Create HEALTHIER Communities

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NEWSLETTER | Spring 2023

## YOUR DONATIONS CHANGE LIVES!



*"Thank you to the donors for helping our patients. Andrew shared with me how he had been bullied and lost jobs due to his missing teeth. He lacked confidence that he now has thanks to your help"*

**Dr. Parvin Dhaliwal, DDS, El Rio Health**

*"Without your kind & thoughtful help my life would be a whole lot different. Tooth pain isn't an easy thing to live with and I can't thank you enough for your help. God is watching over me and so are you."*

**God Bless, Karen!**

### Give the Gift of Health & Receive a Charitable Tax Credit!

El Rio Foundation is an approved Arizona Qualifying Charitable Organization (QCO). This individual income tax credit is available for contributions to QCO that provide immediate basic needs to residents of Arizona who receive temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) benefits, are low-income residents of Arizona, or are individuals who have a chronic illness or physical disability. **The maximum QCO credit donation amount for 2023 is \$421 for a single, married filing separate or head of household; \$841 for married filing jointly.** This tax credit is claimed on Arizona Form 321. El Rio Foundation QCO code is 20212.

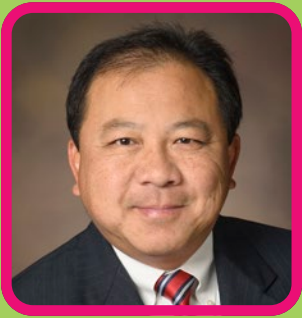


### Welcome DL Poole PA, NHA, MPA, MBA, El Rio Health's new Chief Operations Officer



We are excited that Damone "DL" Poole, has joined El Rio Health as our new Chief Operations Officer (COO). Mr. Poole comes to El Rio from LifeLong Medical Care, where he was Chief Operations Officer, of this Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) serving the greater San Francisco Bay Area. Mr. Poole shared, *"I am honored to join El Rio, where I am committed to successfully working with El Rio's staff in making a lasting difference in our patient's lives. Leaning on my years of healthcare administrative, operational, and clinical experience, I'm excited to help build on El Rio's past successes."*

Mr. Poole has more than twenty years' experience in healthcare administration and services. Mr. Poole earned a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Public Administration in healthcare from California State University, a Physician Assistant certification from the University of California, Davis, and his MBA from the University of San Francisco. He is looking forward to helping shape an era of comprehensive, accessible, affordable, quality and compassionate healthcare with long-lasting benefits for El Rio's patients, staff and communities.



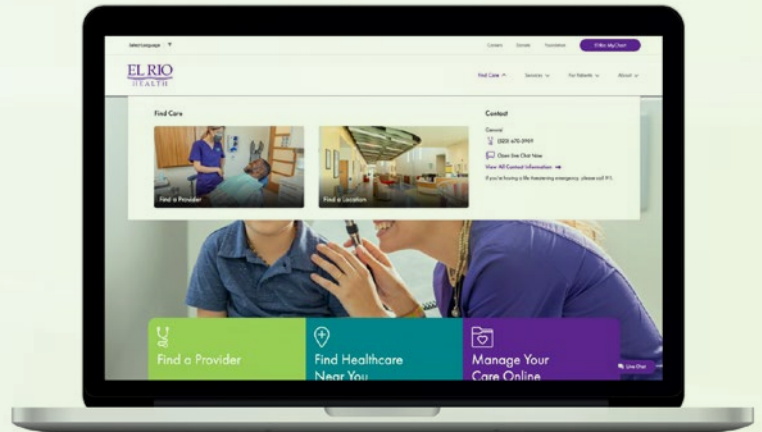
## Meet John Fung, CFRE, MBA, El Rio Foundation Major Gifts Officer

John has called Tucson home for the past 46 years. After graduating from the University of Arizona with a business degree, John worked in the insurance and medical industry for 27 years. In 2014, he began his career in fundraising and has worked with donors on supporting scholarships, medical research, health care programs and human services.

John recognizes donors have many options and choices when making their philanthropic support, and his focus is to listen and match each donor's interests to needs with El Rio Health. John values developing relationships with donors who are passionate about the mission and well-being of our community. In 2017, John earned his MBA from Grand Canyon University, and received his Certified Fund-Raising Executive designation from CFRE International in 2019.

John is grateful to join the El Rio family, and looks forward to assisting you with your donations, gifts of securities and legacy gifts.

We are excited to announce that our new website is live!  
Check it out at [www.elrio.org](http://www.elrio.org)



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# GREAT PROGRAMS CHANGE LIVES!

## **PNC Foundation Helps Children & Families at El Rio!**

We appreciate and value our partnership with PNC's Grow Up Great - Community Education Resources program which has helped El Rio Health support early childhood development through our Reach Out and Read program.



## **2023 Caboose Cup Golf Tournament Supports Colon Cancer Screening!**

Thank you to the Colon Cancer Coalition, Tucson Conquistadores, El Rio Vecinos and those who participated in the 2023 Caboose Cup™ Charitable AM-AM Golf Outing presented by Arizona Oncology and Reality Realty. The event took place ahead of the 2023 Cologuard Classic. Event proceeds are supporting El Rio's colon cancer prevention and screening program to help qualified, uninsured patients receive colonoscopies. Thank you to the sponsors, golfers and volunteers for your support.



## **Behavioral Health Distinction with the National Committee for Quality Assurance**

El Rio Health has received Behavioral Health Distinction with the National Committee for Quality Assurance for six of our health center sites. This means that El Rio Health is an enhanced level of care facility providing improved access, clinical outcomes, and patient experience with our integrated behavioral health services. We deliver whole-person comprehensive care beyond the core requirements of our NCQA PCMH Recognition. We recognize our Behavioral Health Team for their dedicated focus, extra hours, teamwork, and collaboration to gain this outstanding recognition and thank all of the donors who are supporting programs and services in this area.





## El Rio Vecinos' Block Party Raises \$130,000 for El Rio's Teen Health Program

The April 15th "Take Me to Ibiza" Vecinos Block Party was a tremendous success thanks to event chairs, Shayla Sandoval and Shauna Vasquez, El Rio Vecinos, sponsors, partners, guests, and volunteers! Thank you for your generous support!



*The El Rio Vecinos thanks all of our 2023 Block Party Sponsors!*

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## PROGRAMS WE ARE FUNDRAISING FOR IN 2023

The funding that we receive from donors, like you, supports: Adopt-A-Family, Asthma Care, Cancer Screening & Treatment Funds, Dental Services, LGBTQ Care, Children's Literacy Program, Maternal Health, Teen Reproductive Health Care (RHAP), Wellness Programs, Behavioral Health Care, medical equipment, capital expansion and more. More than 60% of those we serve live below the federal poverty level and 15% have no health care coverage and access our sliding fee scale. Thank you for your investments and help ensuring those in need have access to care.

### Health Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

At El Rio Health, we are committed to health equity. Health equity is when everyone has the opportunity to attain their full health potential without being discriminated against or disadvantaged. We strive to provide care that makes all our patients feel safe, heard, and valued.

Part of creating health equity is committing to diversity and inclusion within our clinics, among our patients and our staff. We believe it is critical for our staff, not only to look like but also to understand and empathize with the community we serve. We acknowledge and celebrate the national origin, language, race, ethnicity, culture, age, religion, income, physical & mental ability, gender identity, and sexual orientation of our patients and our employees.

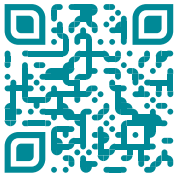
We are committed to increasing the diversity of our workforce, promoting inclusiveness, and training our staff on implicit bias which helps:

- Increase patient choice and satisfaction. Provide better care for all patients.
- Improve how patients and healthcare workers communicate with each other.
- Decrease the gap in healthcare for BIPOC and LGBTQ+ and all underrepresented patients.

# THE GIFT OF HEALTH

## Making a difference in 135,000+ lives!

We invite you to join a special group of supporters who invest \$1,000+ annually. Your generosity helps provide people in need with comprehensive, accessible, affordable, quality, and compassionate care. Your donation will make a difference in the lives of others through the following areas: Children's Gift of Sight Program, Cancer Prevention & Treatment Funds, Teen Health Program, Northwest Re-Development Project, Dental Care, Asthma Program, Reach Out & Read Kids Program, Mental Health Support for Youth and Families and more.



Your charitable support stays local. As an El Rio 1000+ supporter, you will receive invitations to events, personal clinic tours, information on the impact of your support and health education.

**Will you join us today?**



*"To the great and wonderful donors, thank you from the bottom of my heart. I have been in pain for a long time and to be able to finally receive care and relief is a blessing. I will pay this forward and make sure this good deed does not go undone."*

**Thank you, Joshua!**

## The Transformative Power of a Legacy Gift

If you are an El Rio donor, **YOU** know first-hand the satisfaction that comes from making a difference. We at the El Rio Foundation deeply appreciate your generosity. As you look to the future, you may wonder what will happen to the health care programs made possible through your gifts once you are gone? You can continue your support even after your lifetime, by arranging a Legacy gift through your will. Estate gifts are a wonderful way to support the mission of El Rio, while creating your legacy.

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**1000+**  
IMPACTING 135,000+

## EL RIO HEALTH AT A GLANCE

### EL RIO HEALTH'S CULTURAL BELIEFS

- HONOR PATIENTS
- CREATE TOMORROW
- STEP UP
- BREAK BOUNDARIES
- I MATTER
- VALUE HEALTH

### ORGANIZATIONAL GOALS (2023)

- World-class experience for patients and staff
- Healthier patients and employees
- Positive operating margin

### 2022 IMPACT

**125,000+**

Patients served (60% live below federal poverty)

**450,000+**

Annual patient visits

**\$14M+**

Annual Charity Care

**1,800+**

Staff

**13**

Locations

**1970**

Year founded





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*Communities*

Will you  
help us keep our  
community healthy?



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Children's Services  
Preventative Care • Cancer Treatment

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Benefitting Children's Services  
(Vision Screening & Early Childhood Development)

**Saturday, October 28, 2023** | 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
The Westin La Paloma Resort & Spa | 3800 E. Sunrise Dr.

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