## **\$3.3 Million Raised for Comprehensive Cancer**

## John Muir Health Foundation News Release

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Walnut Creek, CA (Nov. 15, 2019) – Over 700 generous supporters gathered on Saturday, November 2 for the 6<sup>th</sup> annual *Celebrate John Muir Health!* dinner and auction gala in support of a new Comprehensive Cancer Center.

One of the East Bay's premier black-tie charity events, this year's gala themed "There's No Place Like John Muir Health," took place in a private hangar at the Concord Jet Center. Together, in an incredible display of community support, guests raised over 3.3 million – the most the event has ever raised.



More than 12, 100 people in the East Bay were newly diagnosed with cancer in 2018. The Comprehensive Cancer Center will serve as a hub for John Muir Health's cancer care sites through the East Bay including Berkeley, Brentwood and Pleasanton. The centralized 100,000 square foot Walnut Creek Cancer Center will offer patients the most advanced screening, treatment, prevention, survivorship services, research and clinical trials available.

Mike Thomas, Executive Vice President and Chief Transformation Officer at John Muir Health spoke during the event -- "We all know someone who has cancer or has been affected by cancer ... (we are here tonight) to inspire those who are fighting cancer, to remember those whom we have lost, to honor our clinicians who provide such exceptional care, and to share our vision for the future."

## **About John Muir Health Foundation**

<u>John Muir Health Foundation</u> is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to inspiring and stewarding philanthropic support for all health services, programs and facilities of John Muir Health. As a community-based, not-for-profit health care organization, John Muir Health invests all revenue back into its services and the local community.

## **About John Muir Health**

John Muir Health is a nationally recognized, not-for-profit health care organization east of San Francisco serving patients in Contra Costa, Alameda and southern Solano Counties. It includes a network of more than 1,000 primary care and specialty physicians, more than 6,000 employees, medical centers in Concord and Walnut Creek, including Contra Costa County's only trauma center, and a Behavioral Health Center. John Muir Health also has partnerships with UCSF Health, Tenet Healthcare/San Ramon Regional Medical Center and Stanford Children's Health. The health system offers a full-range of medical services, including primary care, outpatient and imaging services, and is widely recognized as a leader in many specialties – neurosciences, orthopedic, cancer, gynecologic surgery, cardiovascular, trauma, emergency, pediatrics and high-risk obstetrics care.