



## VIDANT BERTIE HOSPITAL Development Council



### THANK YOU!

*Throughout 2020, community members and local businesses provided meals, PPE and other supplies to help us through COVID-19.*

Even on the darkest, longest days during the COVID-19 pandemic, there were rays of sunshine at Vidant Bertie Hospital. The communities that we serve have, literally, served us many, many times. The outpouring of support and love was overwhelming. The donations of food, PPE (including beautiful cloth masks), surface sanitizer, cards and notes, sparkling water, and even goodie bags filled with toiletry items such as hand lotion, continued to arrive weekly.

"We simply can't thank our wonderful community members enough for their generosity, and more importantly, for their unwavering support" stated Brian Harvill, President of Vidant Bertie Hospital. "It is truly heartwarming."

One of the bright spots for Vidant Bertie team members was the weekly delivery of hot, delicious pizza from Lasca's Italian Restaurant in Windsor. The Francis family, owners of Lasca's, have insisted that they deliver to the staff the terrific Italian dish each week because of the work that the employees did to treat COVID patients while caring for those with many other health issues.

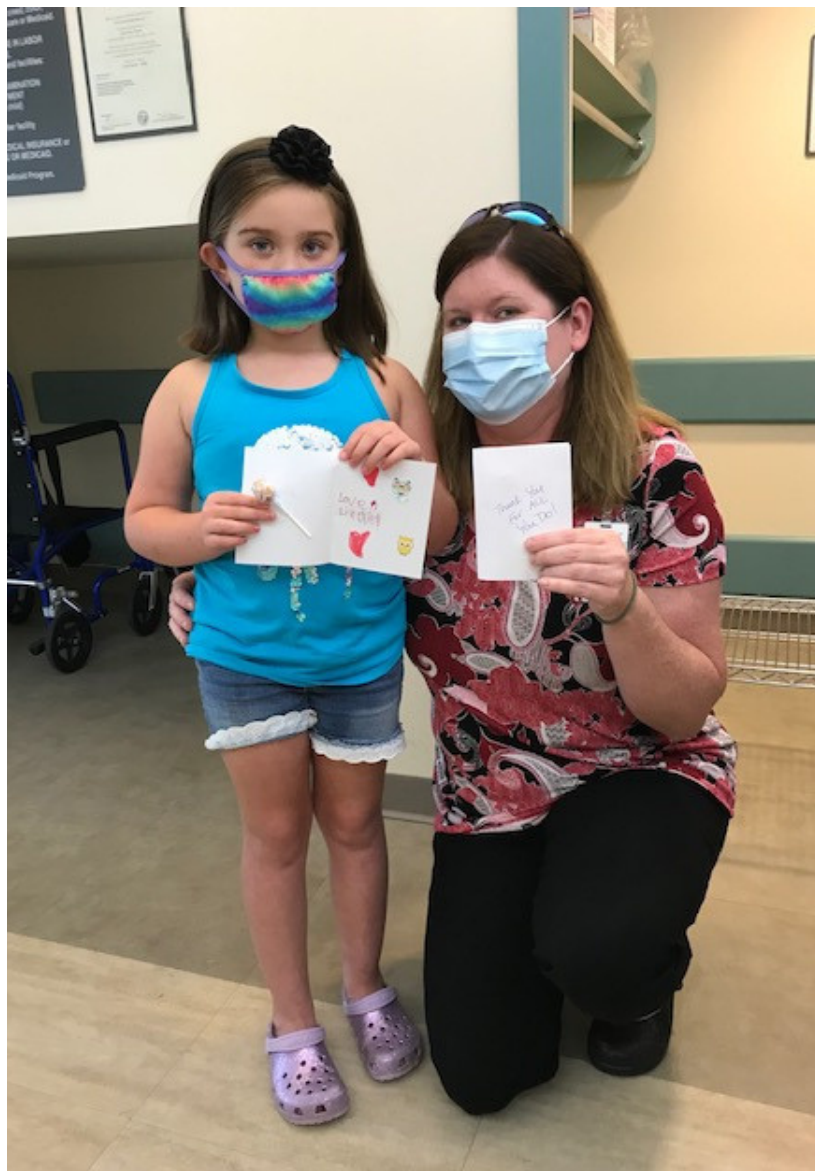
Colleen Francis said, "It is truly an honor for us to be able to give a little to the people who, day in and day out, put themselves on the front lines to protect the health and well-being of our community. They are our true, real-life heroes, and it gives us an enormous amount of pleasure to recognize them with a little treat each week." (Con't on page 2.)

To say that Vidant Bertie is grateful to the Francis family and Lasca's is an understatement! The pizza gave team members something to look forward to each week, and it helped to motivate them when they were having especially tough days.

Vidant Bertie also received a wonderful surprise several months ago when a little six year old, Lindley Dail, and her mother, Lori Dail, delivered 125 handmade cards (complete with a sucker attached to each) for employees. Lindley told her mother that, "I want to do something nice for the people at the hospital who help other people." Talk about heartwarming! Those precious cards are displayed all around the hospital, and they continue to bring smiles to team members' faces every single day.

Vidant Bertie Hospital is so fortunate to be located in such a wonderful, caring community. We are very grateful for the support, and thank those that have been so kind to us from the bottom of our hearts.

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