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# **Tampa General Hospital Foundation Announces Suncoast Credit Union Classroom at Muma Children’s Hospital at TGH**

*The new name honors a \$250,000 gift to support the Cynthia Wells King School Program for young patients.*

**Tampa, FL (Sept. 9, 2025)** – The [Tampa General Hospital](#) (TGH) Foundation announced that the classroom serving Muma Children's Hospital patients will be called the Suncoast Credit Union Classroom after a generous \$250,000 gift.

The Suncoast Credit Union Classroom contains the Cynthia Wells King School program, which provides pediatric patients at Muma Children’s Hospital at TGH with hope and continuity during their extended stays or frequent visits. In partnership with the Hillsborough County School District, this innovative hospital homebound school program ensures uninterrupted education for students, spanning from pre- K to age 22.

“The goal of the Cynthia Wells King School is to alleviate the disruption caused by prolonged hospital stays, ensuring that every child has access to quality education regardless of their health challenges,” said Sarah Frahn, vice president of Women & Children’s Services at TGH. “This support will allow our student patients to continue their learning in a beautiful, functional new space.”

The gift from Suncoast Credit Union is part of the third phase of the Muma Children’s Hospital renovation.

“Our mission is to ensure that we are working to improve the lives of our members and the communities we serve,” said Kevin Johnson, president and CEO of Suncoast Credit Union. “Contributing to the continuation of a hospitalized child’s education is a perfect fit for that and it brings important partners together to solve important issues we face as a community. In the long run, this helps all of us because an educated community builds a prosperous economy, locally and beyond.”

Suncoast Credit Union was a founding member of the [TGH Foundation's Corporate Philanthropy Partners](#) program in 2021 and has rejoined with this gift.

“This wonderful gift from Suncoast Credit Union makes it possible to support our youngest patients, giving them a beautiful space to learn,” said Frann Leppla, executive vice president and chief philanthropy officer. “We are so grateful for the generosity of our corporate partners for their investment in Muma Children’s Hospital at TGH.”

#### **ABOUT TAMPA GENERAL HOSPITAL**

Tampa General Hospital, a 1,529-bed, not-for-profit academic health system, is one of the largest hospitals in America and delivers world-class care as the Tampa Bay region’s only center for Level I trauma and comprehensive burn care. The system’s hospitals include Tampa General Hospital, Tampa General Rehabilitation Hospital, Tampa General Behavioral Health Hospital, all in Tampa; Tampa General Brooksville, Tampa General Spring Hill and Tampa General Crystal River. Tampa General Hospital is the highest-ranked hospital in Tampa Bay in [U.S. News & World Report's 2024-2025 Best Hospitals](#), with two medical specialties ranking among the top 20 in the nation and eight medical specialties listed among the top 50 best hospital programs in the United States. As the first hospital in Florida to open a clinical command center for real-time situational awareness, Tampa General has elevated its digital care coordination center to the next level by leveraging artificial intelligence (AI) and its analytics platform across inpatient and outpatient care to ensure patients receive leading-edge care as quickly and safely as possible. The academic health system’s commitment to growing and developing its team members is recognized by three prestigious Forbes magazine rankings — in the [2025 America's Best Large Employers](#), the top 50 in Florida in the [2024 America's Best Employers by State](#) and the [2023 America's Best Employers for Women](#).

Tampa General is the safety-net hospital for the region, caring for anyone regardless of ability to pay; in fiscal year 2023, Tampa General provided a net community benefit of approximately \$301.8 million in the form of health care for underinsured patients, community education and financial support to community health organizations in Tampa Bay. It was the nation’s No. 1 adult solid organ transplant center in 2024 and is the primary teaching hospital for the USF Health Morsani College of Medicine. With five medical helicopters, Tampa General transports critically injured or ill patients from 23 surrounding counties to receive the advanced care their conditions require. Tampa General is home to a nationally accredited comprehensive stroke center and its 32-bed Neuroscience, Intensive Care Unit is the largest on the West Coast of Florida. It is home to the Muma Children’s Hospital at TGH, the Jennifer Leigh Muma 82-bed neonatal intensive care unit and a nationally accredited rehabilitation center. Tampa General’s footprint includes TGH North, which consists of three hospitals and several outpatient locations in Citrus and Hernando counties; 17 Tampa General Medical Group Primary Care offices; TGH Family Care Center Kennedy; two TGH outpatient centers; TGH Virtual Health; and 19 [TGH Imaging](#) outpatient radiology centers throughout Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas and Palm Beach counties. Tampa Bay area residents receive world-class care from the TGH Urgent Care, powered by the Fast Track network of clinics. To see a medical care professional live anytime, anywhere on a smartphone, tablet or computer, visit [Virtual Health | Tampa General Hospital \(tgh.org\)](#). For more information, go to [www.tgh.org](#).

#### **About Suncoast Credit Union**

Suncoast Credit Union is the largest credit union in the state of Florida, the 8th largest in the United States based on membership, and the 10th largest in the United States based on its \$18.5 billion in assets. Chartered in 1934 as Hillsborough County Teachers Credit Union, Suncoast Credit Union currently operates 78 full-service branches and serves more than 1.2 million members across Florida. As a community credit union, anyone who lives, works, attends school, or worships in Suncoast Credit Union’s service area is eligible for membership. In 2021, Suncoast Credit Union’s field of membership was expanded to include public K-12 teachers, college educators, and educational support staff from all of Florida’s 67 counties. Suncoast is passionate about community support. Since its founding in 1990, the Suncoast Credit Union Foundation has raised and donated more than \$45 million to organizations and initiatives that support the health, education, and emotional well-being of children in the communities that the credit union serves. For more information, visit [suncoast.com](#) or follow us on social media: Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, and Instagram.