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## Settling in: RoundtableRx's New Facility

In late October 2023, RoundtableRx moved to our new and improved facility. While the new facility is located in the same building as the previous space, it is three times the square footage and boasts many windows as well as two dedicated offices. This extra space was much needed as RoundtableRx inventory and operations had outgrown the original 582-square-foot facility.

The move would not have been possible without our dedicated volunteers and staff, as well as generous funding provided by the state. This new space will support our ever-growing inventory and expanding operations. The move was also a necessity to enable RoundtableRx to eventually launch our mail-order pharmacy as soon as the Fall of 2024.

## In the Press: RoundtableRx Helps Patient Scrambling to Replace Lost \$18,000 Cancer Medication

On January 3rd, the Star Tribune published a story titled <u>"Edina</u> <u>patient scrambles after delayed</u> <u>shipment of cancer meds.</u>" As the title suggests, this patient was expecting a standard refill of her oral cancer medicine but the courier did not properly deliver her package.

RoundtableRx was glad to provide the missing medication to the patient through our partnership with HealthPartners Specialty Pharmacy.

Check out the <u>Star Tribune article</u> to learn more.

## Impact Report for 2023 Fourth Quarter

By the end of 2023, RoundtableRx distributed 36,900 days of medicine to Minnesotans in need during the year, bringing our lifetime impact to 57,240 days of medicine valued at over \$383,000 (NADAC). For more details about our impact and the demographics of those we serve, visit the Impact page on our website.

This quarter, RoundtableRx welcomed one new Local Repository partner: St. Peter Community Free Clinic. Our Local Repository <u>partners</u> now represent 26 sites in 13 unique Minnesota counties, with 54% of sites being in Greater Minnesota.

RoundtableRx invites clinics and pharmacies state-wide to join as Local Repository partners to access our no-cost medicines for under-resourced Minnesota residents. Learn how on our <u>website</u> or by <u>contacting</u> our team.



## Testimony from a RoundtableRx Patient

A patient with congestive heart failure suddenly found themselves without insurance. Their condition required them to take two expensive brand-name medications: Entresto and Xarelto. Without insurance coverage, they were at risk of going without, until their provider recommended RoundtableRx. "Thanks to [my care team & RoundtableRx] I'm able to have meds I would have gone without," the patient told RoundtableRx. "Thank you from a congestive heart patient who would die without these pills."



## 3rd Annual Fundraiser & Celebration

In November, RoundtableRx hosted our 3rd Annual Fundraiser & Celebration over Zoom. RoundtableRx leadership chose to have a virtual event this year to provide attendees with a virtual tour of our new facility.

During the event, awards were presented to some of our most dedicated volunteers, including Betsy Dienhart RPh, Lauren Lee CPhT, Megan West, and Sophie Steinmetz. During 2023, these individuals went above and beyond to support RoundtableRx's pursuit of our mission.

In total, RoundtableRx raised over \$6,000 as a result of the event. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who attended and generously contributed.



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#### Thank You Funders!

RoundtableRx is grateful for the generous support we receive from our funders. This support comes in the form of grants, gifts & donations. Without this support, RoundtableRx would be unable to complete our mission-driven work. The entities providing this support this fiscal year are highlighted here. Please join us in thanking them for their support!

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