

## Robert F. (Bob) Dwyer Jr.

Providence Milwaukie Foundation board member;  
Retired lumberman and hospital owner

### Where did you grow up?

Portland, Oregon

### Tell us about your family.

My late wife, Lynne, and I were married for 55 years. I enjoy spending time with our four adult children and nine grandkids.

### Where did you go to school?

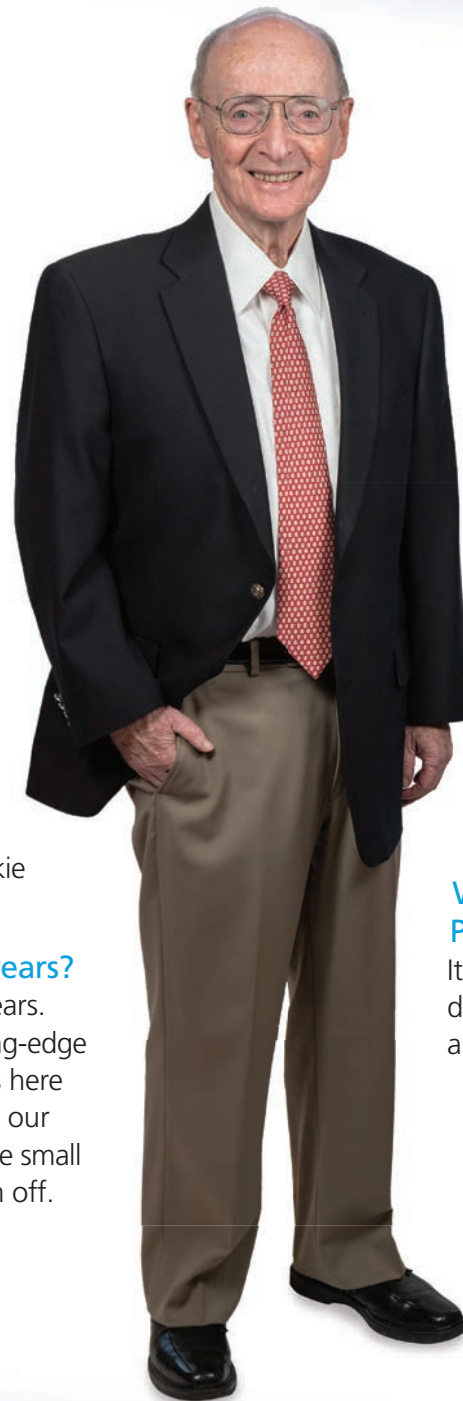
I attended Columbia Prep, University of Notre Dame and Stanford Graduate School of Business.

### Why is Providence important to you?

My family has a long history with the Sisters of Providence. Four generations of my family were born at Providence hospitals. In 1968 my dad and I founded Dwyer Memorial Hospital. We later sold it, and it became Providence Milwaukie Hospital in 1986. We consider Providence "home."

### How has Providence Milwaukie evolved over the years?

I've seen a tremendous amount of change here over the years. Everyone has done a superb job of making this both a cutting-edge facility and a community hospital that serves our neighbors here in Clackamas County. A lot of times Providence leaders ask our hospital to be the testing ground to pilot new projects. We're small enough to try new things ... and big enough to carry them off.



### Can you give some examples of the hospital's accomplishments?

A few that come to mind include our excellence in handling a suspected Ebola virus case a few years ago, our on-site dental clinic that means patients don't end up in the ER because of dental issues, and our Community Teaching Kitchen that instructs patients how to prepare healthy meals. I'm also very proud of our family medicine residency program, our new Senior Psychiatric Unit, and our programs to support new moms and babies, such as pre- and post-natal care and the Mother Baby Lactation Clinic.

### Why is philanthropy important to Providence Milwaukie?

It allows us to do things we otherwise couldn't do. Donors can make the impossible possible, and they always make a good situation better.

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