## YOUR HOSPITAL, YOUR FUTURE.

## 🦬 Health Care is a Big Issue

- Health care is a national issue
- Health care issues affect us all
- Health care issues are complicated
- Rural health care in America is fragile

Over 20% of rural hospitals, the equivalent of 430 hospitals across 43 states are at risk of closing their doors. Since 2005, at least 150 rural hospitals have closed. More than 40% of rural hospitals operate at a negative margin. Many rural hospitals have to spend more money than they receive in order to operate. These negative margins make tax support a necessity for rural hospitals to continue to provide services.

• Most rural hospitals in New Mexico get tax support to survive Ranging from 2 to 4.25 mills in tax support

## Fast Facts About Holy Cross

- Founded in 1936 with a local donation
- Local Governance/Board of Directors
- Average Annual Outpatient Visits: 40,000
- Average Annual In-Patient Visits: 1,500
- Average Annual Emergency Room Visits: 15,000
- Average Annual Babies Born: 200

## Some of our Services

- 24 hour emergency services
- Anticoagulation Clinic (Coumadin Clinic | Blood thinning)
- Diabetes Management (one on one counseling)
- Endoscopy services (colonoscopy services)
- Imaging (CT scans, MRI's, mammography etc.)
- Labor & Delivery
- Surgical services (orthopedics, kidney stones, breast care)
- Cardiology





# You can help to ensure that vital health care services remain in Taos

- Call, text or email your commissioner letting them know that you would like to see Holy Cross continue to provide its current health care services and encourage them to work with the hospital to creatively address the funding situation
- Attend a Taos County Commission Meeting and speak in favor of the hospital
- Be educated on the facts

  To learn more, visit: holycrossmedicalcenter.org/mill-levy-and-community-support
- Like our Facebook page and stay current on issues
- Write a letter of support to the newspaper and/or the Taos County Commissioners
- Invite a hospital representative to come speak to your group (Civic, Religious, Neighborhood, house invitation -- you name it, we will be there!)

## The future of your hospital is in your hands.

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