



## IT'S TIME FOR WORLD-CLASS SURGICAL CARE

At St John of God Bendigo Hospital we provide excellence in healthcare, healing, hope and a greater sense of dignity to those most in need. For over 60 years, our hospital has delivered exceptional and wide-ranging medical and surgical care to the Loddon Mallee regional community.

*Meet the da Vinci Xi robot – a breakthrough surgical technology that will bring world-class care closer to home.*

We have a rare opportunity to secure this surgical robot for St John of God Bendigo Hospital and help achieve the best possible outcomes for our patients.

We are seeking the support of philanthropic-minded community members and organisations to bring this technology to our hospital and transform surgical care for the communities we serve.

### WHAT IS THE DA VINCI XI SURGICAL ROBOT?

The da Vinci Xi is cutting-edge technology that has set the standard for surgical robotics worldwide and transformed procedural care as we know it.

It works like this: experienced surgeons guide the robotics to perform complex surgery with a level of control that traditional methods simply cannot match. The da Vinci Xi helps perform procedures in the least invasive way, so a patient's life can return to normal activities faster.

The da Vinci Xi will enhance St John of God Bendigo Hospital's capabilities for prostate surgery, colorectal surgery, thoracic surgery, and renal and gynaecological surgical procedures. The robot provides unmatched assistance across a range of cancer-related surgeries, including prostate, stomach, pancreatic, liver, colorectal, head and neck and lung.

*“We are committed to the very best clinical outcomes for our patients. Robotic surgery significantly contributes to this commitment and will assist in reducing the health care disadvantage suffered by rural and regional patients”*

**Dr Luis Prado**

Chief Medical Officer at  
St John of God Health Care



## **BENEFITS OF THE DA VINCI XI SURGICAL ROBOT**

### **Enhanced control and precision**

Robotic assistance provides our surgeons with superior precision, flexibility, and control during potentially life-saving operations. It enables surgeons to see and navigate areas that may not be visible to the naked eye when operating on crucial organs or performing cancer-related surgery.

### **Smoother recovery**

Guided by surgeons, the da Vinci Xi robot facilitates minimally invasive surgeries. Less physical intrusion helps achieve shorter hospital stays, less scarring, fewer complications, and an overall faster recovery for patients following a procedure.

### **Increased capacity and resource**

The da Vinci Xi enables our surgeons to carry out a wider range and higher number of procedures. It also offers patients who are unable to have open surgery the ability to access essential treatment.



## HELP US BRING TRAILBLAZING CARE CLOSER TO HOME

St John of God Bendigo Hospital seeks the help of our generous communities to bring this trailblazing technology to our hospital.

Together, we aim to raise \$2 million to acquire the da Vinci Xi and improve the wellbeing and health outcomes of thousands of people. It will also ensure patients are not burdened with extra travel during what can already be a stressful time.

This is an extraordinary opportunity for our Bendigo communities and your support will be felt for many years to come.

Every dollar donated will help us innovate to improve our community's care. We believe surgical robotics are the future for many medical procedures, and it can't come a moment too soon for our patients.

We appreciate your consideration and thank you for your support.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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## WAYS TO DONATE

### Online

Donations can be made online at [www.sjogfoundation.org.au/donate-Bendigo](http://www.sjogfoundation.org.au/donate-Bendigo)

Please choose 'Bendigo Hospital' on the donation form 'I/we want support:' drop down menu.

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### Bank transfers / EFT

Donations can be made by bank transfer. We can provide bank account details and a reference number for people who prefer this approach.

Please call St John of God Foundation on 1800 281 288 and we will provide a reference number to include with your bank transfer. This helps us to identify your gift and ensure it is directed in support of St John of God Bendigo Hospital da Vinci Xi robot campaign.

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### Over the phone

Donations can be made over the phone with a credit card by calling St John of God Foundation on 1800 281 288.

Please mention that your gift is in support of the St John of God Bendigo Hospital da Vinci Xi robot campaign.

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### Sending a cheque

Donations can be made by cheque, made out to St John of God Foundation, and mailed to:  
St John of God Foundation GPO Box 5264 MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Please include a short note confirming that your gift is in support of the St John of God Bendigo Hospital da Vinci Xi robot campaign.

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