J.C. “Mac” McFarland has been a nearly lifelong resident of Whittier. “Carolyn and I plan to be here for the remainder of our time on this earth, so PIH Health seems a natural place to choose to share some of our good fortune,” he says.

Mac and his wife, Carolyn, belong to PIH Health’s Legacy Society—a membership group comprised of donors who have made plans in their estate to give to PIH Health, and whose contributions have helped build PIH Health into what it is today. Two of Mac and Carolyn’s three children were born at PIH Health’s Whittier campus, as were two of their grandchildren. Mac’s father went through the hospice program 17 years ago, Mac has become very active with the hospital as a volunteer director, serving on several boards and committees, including chairing the PIH Health Hospital - Whittier board and the PIH Health Physicians board.

“PIH Health has been a very important institution in our lives over the years, so once Carolyn and I decided we were in a position to do some charitable giving—during and after our lives—PIH Health was definitely at the top of the list of charities we wanted to support,” says Mac.

PIH Health acknowledges the value in sharing with others, which is why the Legacy Society shows appreciation for its members with special recognition and an annual luncheon.

The 2nd Annual Legacy Society Luncheon was held on November 4 at the Friendly Hills Country Club, and gave special attention to its members. “We had an opportunity to mingle with other legacy members. It is a really nice group of people, and the talk by Daniel Saket MD, a PIH Health radiologist, was very informative.”

PIH Health Legacy Society members are actively keeping PIH Health in their estate planning initiatives, and many more have given in the past, leaving their legacy to further PIH Health’s success with improving the health of its local and regional community.

If you are interested in becoming a member, PIH Health also offers an estate-planning program with knowledgeable professionals that assist donors in crafting their estate plan to meet their individual wishes.

“PIH Health is fortunate to have so many dedicated supporters like Mac and Carolyn McFarland,” says Amy Fitzgerald, executive director, PIH Health Foundation. “Donors such as the McFarlands and other Legacy Society members help to ensure the future of PIH Health.”

For more information about joining PIH Health’s Legacy Society, please call 562.698.0811 Ext. 81520.