

Santa Monica Catholic hospital gets \$100 million

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On the brighter side of the news, a [billionaire pharmaceutical developer](#) [1] has donated \$100 million to a Santa Monica hospital, with more than half the funds going to research projects and facilities.

Patrick Soon-Shiong and his wife, Michele Chan, donated the money to St. John's Health Center, a 380-bed Catholic hospital.

St. John's Chief Executive Lou Lazatin said Thursday \$55 million will create several research centers and fund future projects.

The donation includes \$35 million already spent on renovating and expanding the hospital and \$10 million to attract doctors and scientists.

The couple donated a separate \$35 million to St. John's in 2007.

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