



Dear Einstein Community:

Last Thursday, our community came together to support the College of Medicine during our annual Pi Day and Giving Day celebrations. It was another opportunity to celebrate our extraordinary institution and invest in its bright future.

Hundreds of students, faculty, postdocs, and staff took part in the day's activities—both on campus and online. I want to particularly applaud Mary Lou De Jesus for her extraordinary winning performance in the Pi Recitation Contest, reaching the 1,075th place of pi. Congratulations also goes to first-year medical students and roommates Sofia Cataliotti and Isabelle Ilan, who won the pie bake-off with their banana, caramel, and whipped cream pie.

Pi Day is also Giving Day at Einstein, an opportunity for all members of our extended community—including parents, alumni, and donors—to support the College of Medicine. Together, we raised over \$124,000, which unlocked a \$100,000 matching gift from Einstein Trustee Buzzy Geduld. And thanks to another Giving Day challenge, Einstein alumni Sten H. Vermund, M.D. '77, Ph.D., and Pilar Vargas, M.D. '77, Ph.D., gave an additional \$34,100—\$100 for each of the 341 individual contributions.

With your and their support, Einstein raised more than \$258,000 to support our exceptional research and educational programs.

I encourage you to [read more](#) about our Pi Day activities and Giving Day success on our website, and I look forward to celebrating with you again next year.

Warm Regards,



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