Acting together, we can improve individual lives directly and create global solutions that help millions more.

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Thank you in advance for your support. With your help, we will continue to be a prominent destination for patients and their families who seek both compassionate care and innovative therapy.

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Join the fight against thoracic disease

Members of the UC Davis Health thoracic surgery team collaborate daily with other UC Davis experts to solve urgent non-cardiac chest problems, translate research into new cures, train the next generation of surgeons and advance equality in health care. By supporting our program, you can help us sustain high-quality services for our patients and help promote new advances in knowledge and treatment that can benefit you, your loved ones and countless others across the nation.

Your generosity helps to advance important endeavors such as:

• **Increased access to state-of-the-art surgical technology:** UC Davis is a leader in efforts to use video-assisted minimally invasive thoracic surgical techniques and technology. New technologies allow us to perform complex surgeries using small incisions and high definition video. Your support can help advance this next-generation treatment and bring it to more patients in need.

• **More clinical trials:** As part of an academic hospital, we can deliver investigative treatments directly to our patients months and even years before they are introduced in ordinary non-academic thoracic surgery practices. Your gift can support our ability to plan and conduct clinical trials of new therapies.

• **Turning science into treatments:** As partners in research, we work toward solutions that catch thoracic conditions early, enhance the recovery process and help to prevent disease altogether. Your support can help fund both the basic science and “bench to bedside” research that can lead to new treatments for serious thoracic illness.

• **Outcomes research that benefits our patients and our field:** Our team analyzes and shares findings from state and national databases to help determine optimal medical therapies for patients in varying circumstances, to improve the quality of surgical care, and to help prevent socially disadvantaged populations from bearing higher disease burdens. Our own database also allows us to develop customized treatment plans to improve quality of life for our patients. Your generosity can further these efforts.

• **Comprehensive education:** Your assistance ensures that all of our professionals stay at the forefront of surgical techniques and treatments, and that our specialty recruits and maintains the best and brightest. We are proud to support a program that introduces underrepresented and socioeconomically disadvantaged students to medicine.