

# **Patient Comfort & Care: HVAC Unit Replacement Project, 2009**

## **Ben B. Cheney Foundation**

With grant money received from the Ben B. Cheney Foundation, Mayers Intermountain Healthcare Foundation will be able to replace three failing heating/cooling (HVAC) rooftop units. The old units being replaced are over 25 years old and have far outlived their general life expectancy of 10-15 years. In fact, grant funds couldn't have come at a better time as the recent failure of one older unit rendered four patient rooms unheated and unusable.

The new HVAC units will provide temperature consistency, improved indoor air quality, better energy efficiency, increased patient comfort, and fundamental improvements to the health and well-being of all patients. Mayers Memorial Hospital District seeks to create a physical environment that will reduce patient discomfort from severe temperature fluctuations and inconsistent air quality, and this project will support that goal. Since the new units use environmentally friendly refrigerant, they are also better for the environment!

The money provided by the Ben B. Cheney Foundation has not only improved the actual care to patients at Mayers Memorial, but has also supported the District's significant role as a Critical Access Hospital. The grant funds from the Ben B. Cheney Foundation are part of the collaborative effort to provide professional, personal and progressive whole life health care to residents and visitors of the Intermountain region.