Fast Facts

The Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center is a collaboration of the University of Nebraska Medical Center and its clinical partner, Nebraska Medicine, and includes the:

**Suzanne and Walter Scott Cancer Research Tower:**
- 10-story, 98-laboratory research tower
- Dedicated to research, including breast cancer and other women's cancers, leukemia and lymphoma, lung cancer, pancreatic and gastrointestinal cancers, prostate cancer and head and neck cancer.
- Unique design puts clinical providers in close proximity with their research colleagues with the goal of more efficiently translating research to patient care.

**C.L. Werner Cancer Hospital:**
- Eight-story, 108-bed inpatient treatment center
- A multidisciplinary outpatient area which includes clinics, radiation oncology, surgery, radiology, a 24/7 treatment center, lab and collaborative treatment/diagnostics.

**Home to:** Cancer research and clinical treatment facilities

**Notable:** The Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center is the only National Cancer Institute-designated cancer center in Nebraska. As a result, it offers treatment options and clinical trials not found elsewhere.

**Location:** Omaha, Neb.

**Cost:** $323 million – the largest public-private project ever for Nebraska Medicine and the University of Nebraska Medical Center. In total, more than 615,000 square feet will house scientists, clinicians, patients, families and staff.

**Founding benefactors:** Pamela Buffett (Rebecca Susan Buffett Foundation), Suzanne and Walter Scott Foundation, and CL & Rachel Werner.

**Distinguished benefactors:** Clarkson Regional Health Services, Mary & Dick Holland, Peter Kiewit Foundation, Robert B. Daugherty Foundation, and Ruth and Bill Scott

**Public support:** A total of $90 million from the state of Nebraska, the city of Omaha and Douglas County; and a UNMC/Nebraska Medicine employee campaign that raised significant funds.

**Economic impact:** The project provided thousands of construction and industry jobs citywide. In addition, approximately 1,200 jobs will be needed at the medical center – each with an average salary of $70,000. In all, the project is expected to create more than 4,600 new jobs in the metro area, infusing $537 million annually into the economy.

**Healing arts program:**
- Holistic approach to health care
- Cornerstones of the program include:
  - The Chihuly Sanctuary, given by Suzanne and Walter Scott, and created by internationally acclaimed glass sculptor Dale Chihuly;
  - The 82-foot-tall ‘Search’ tower created by Jun Kaneko of Omaha and funded by an anonymous donor;
  - Leslie's Healing Garden, an outdoor, all-season garden created with support from Marshall and Mona Faith; and
  - Commissioned artwork by Rob Ley, Suzy Taekyung Kim, Matthew Placzek, Mary Zicafoose and Jennifer Steinkamp.

**Construction:** Groundbreaking took place in May 2013; building opens to patients in June 2017.