

# IT TAKES A SYSTEM...



## ...TO PREVENT TRAUMA TRAGEDIES

But Michigan's trauma system  
lacks permanent funding...

Trauma victims need access to an entire system working together to obtain the appropriate level of trauma care.

**Michigan  
Trauma  
Coalition**





**5,000 +**

trauma-related deaths occur in Michigan every year

**25%**

higher survival rates for injured patients treated at trauma centers, compared to those seen in hospitals without trauma services

**105**

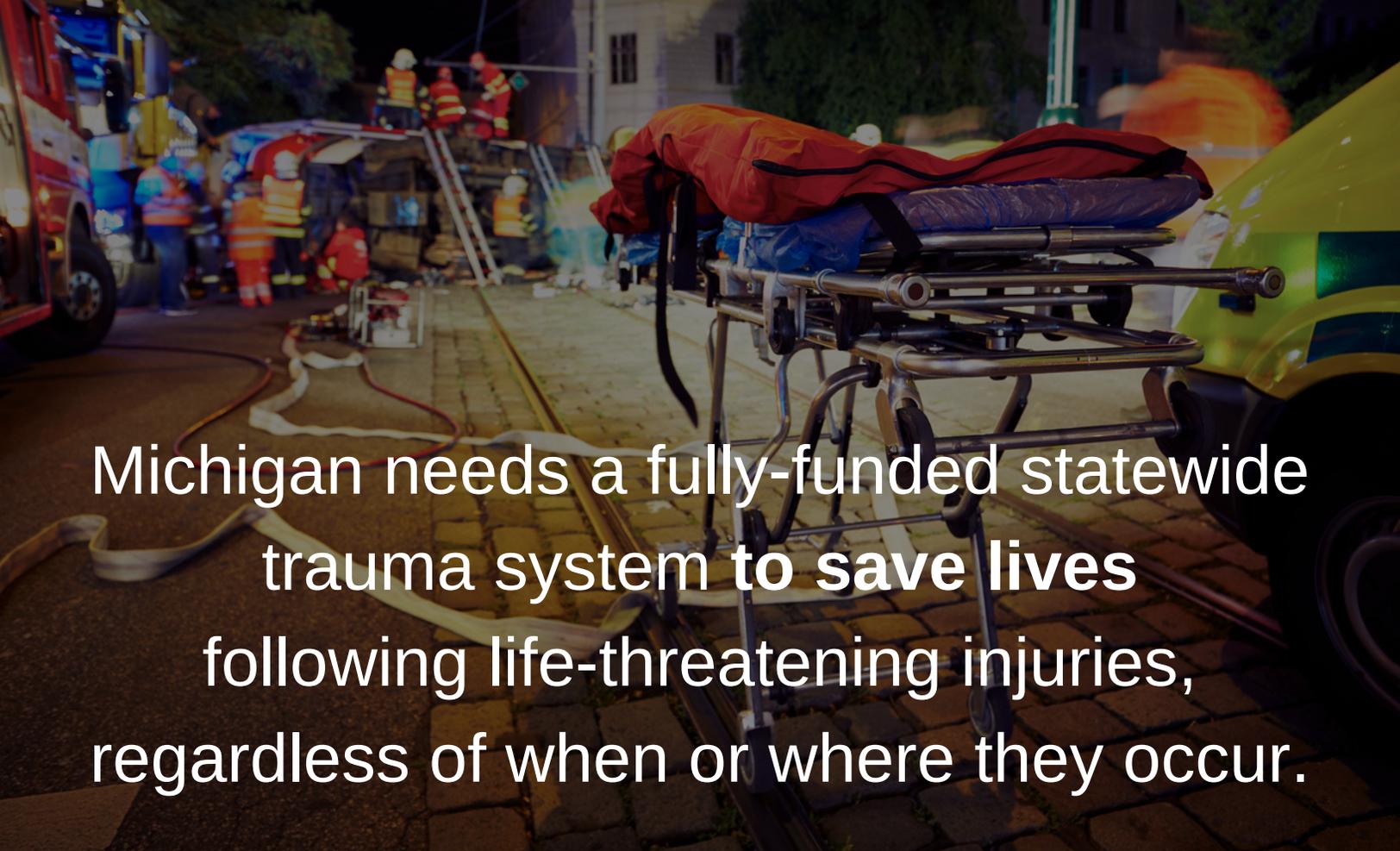
designated trauma hospitals in Michigan

**425**

health care professionals are members of the Michigan Trauma Coalition

**90**

Michigan hospitals are members of the Michigan Trauma Coalition



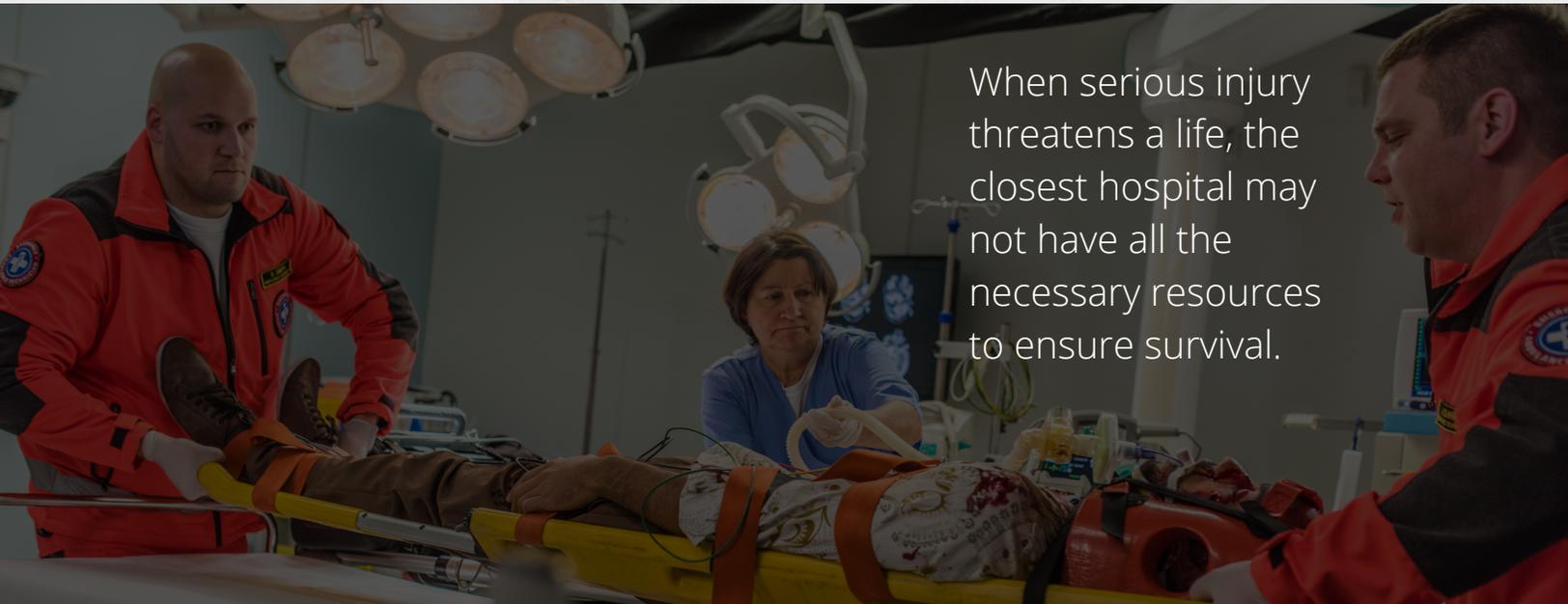
Michigan needs a fully-funded statewide trauma system **to save lives** following life-threatening injuries, regardless of when or where they occur.

To give that assurance and improve Michigan's vital system of care, we need **Michigan's continued financial support.**

**Death following trauma** – such as from a car crash, fall, assault, or other life-threatening injury – **is often preventable.**

# AVOIDING TRAGEDIES REQUIRES:

- a **well-connected network of facilities**
- trauma-trained **personnel**
- proper **equipment**
- effective **communication** and
- state-of-the-art **technology**



When serious injury threatens a life, the closest hospital may not have all the necessary resources to ensure survival.

A funded and well-functioning trauma **system** connects individual hospital emergency rooms, personnel and equipment to a **statewide, patient-centered care delivery alliance**, so that **precious minutes are not lost when a life is at risk**.

Because Michigan **does not have** a fully and permanently-funded statewide trauma system, some trauma victims may not get the specialized, critical care they need.

Members of the Michigan trauma community...

hospitals, physicians, nurses, EMS  
and injury prevention staff

...support a fully functioning trauma system  
that provides the best care for injured people.

For more than two decades, Michigan has been developing its statewide trauma system. Currently, 105 out of 124 trauma hospitals participate and the remaining 19 hospitals are in line for designation site visits.

The goal is to create a cohesive, efficient and interconnected system that functions rapidly and seamlessly.

Permanent funding is needed to ensure full participation throughout Michigan's network of coordinated trauma facilities.



During the recent pandemic health crisis, Michigan residents voiced concerns regarding health care stability and resources.

Michigan was able to provide quality patient care thanks to its investment in an efficient trauma system. Michigan needs to continue to support and augment a **regionalized, coordinated and accountable system of trauma care to address time-dependent emergencies.**

Formed by concerned health care providers in 1991, MTC is a nonprofit membership organization comprised of more than **425 individual members representing 90 Michigan hospitals**, dedicated to ensuring optimal care and treatment for trauma patients in Michigan.

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