The Volunteers of Stratford General Hospital have a way of making you feel like a million bucks!

And that’s not just because they’ve paid off their final payment of a $1 million pledge to the Heart & Soul Campaign, raised over the last 10 years. It has just as much to do with the extra care and kindness they provide patients throughout the hospital.

“If you look at every fundraising campaign we’ve run, the Volunteers have been willing to commit and able to deliver — giving generously to improve care for us all. We’re very grateful,” says Andrea Page, Stratford General Hospital Foundation Executive Director.

“It’s certainly a lot of money — and it represents a lot of effort,” says Janette Veal Chair, Volunteer Council. “It’s very satisfying for us to realize what we’ve accomplished. It’s like reaching that final mortgage payment on your house. You wonder if you’ll ever get there and then suddenly you’ve done it.”

“They’ve also committed an additional $100,000 to the MRI Campaign to sponsor the Control Room. They’re truly a remarkable group,” adds Ms. Page.

With 231 active volunteers, and another 22 “honorary members”, the hours volunteers donate each year are staggering — some 14,400 at Stratford General alone at 21 different locations throughout the hospital. There’s no need to look any further than our own Hospital to see the true value of volunteers in action, says Cheryl Hunt, Corporate Lead Volunteer Services, HPHA, “They are united in their commitment to strengthen our hospital,” she says.

A raffle is their present fundraiser. You could win! 1st PRIZE: $1,490.00 LANGDON HALL EXPERIENCE Gift Card (Two nights, dinner & breakfast daily. $200 spa credit) 2nd PRIZE: $500 in PRESIDENT’S CHOICE® Gift Cards Licence Number M657946 - 4800 tickets printed. Tickets $2 or 3 for $5. Proceeds will be used towards their pledge to the MRI Campaign. Draw to take place at Stratford General Hospital on December 20, 2013 at 12 Noon. For tickets, call 519-272-8210 ext 2551.

A Million Thanks to our Volunteers!

Volunteers recreate their original Heart & Soul pledge photo with a “Paid in Full” photo shoot as part of the Million Dollar Party celebrating their million dollar milestone. Their support over the 10 years purchased essential medical equipment and the digital mammography machine.
If there’s one thing that Dr. Miriam Mann wants donors to know about their impact on the Stratford General Hospital Emergency Department, it’s that their support has been a lifesaver — quite literally. And the equipment and facilities that generosity helped fund is allowing the ER to handle far more complex cases today than even 10 years ago.

The new ER, which opened three years ago as part of the Hospital redevelopment project, is a significant improvement for staff and patients, says Dr. Mann, Chief of Emergency. The physical layout allows improved visual monitoring of patients; and special rooms like a dedicated mental health room, gynecology room and a two bed orthopedics room are significant improvements. Two side-by-side trauma bays have repeatedly proven their ability to save lives in true emergencies.

“I’ve had cases where we’ve had two very serious traumas at the same time, and I’ve been able to open the sliding doors, stand between the two trauma rooms and manage the care of both patients — something we couldn’t do before,” explains Dr. Mann.

Funded by the Heart & Soul Campaign, equipment in the new ER is also a big improvement. Large articulating arms that hang from the ceiling contain power cables and suction. All 18 beds can be monitored from a central location. Two trauma carts and 20 moveable procedure carts ensure the needed supplies and equipment are close at hand.

“While the number of patients hasn’t changed much in recent years, their needs are so much greater, “explains Dr. Mann. “We’re not talking about 25,000 people with ankle sprains…we’re talking about 25,000 people with complex medical problems that often require a variety of diagnostic tests. To do all that, we needed more space, better rooms, more equipment and more efficient facilities to do that work.”

While wait times continue to be a frustration for both patients and staff, the hospital is concentrating on decreasing those waits throughout. A recent process optimization project examined patient flow through the organization including such key areas as Admitting, Emergency and patient discharge.

“While we are challenged by the evolving healthcare system and the constraints we face, we are meeting, discussing, identifying trends, planning and examining ways we can improve our processes to be more efficient for the good of our patients,” says Dr. Mann.

State-of-the-art equipment for:
- Even better patient care
- Retention & recruitment of physicians and other healthcare professionals
- Reduction of wait times
- An increase in surgeries (hip, knee, cancer)
- Quicker diagnostic results

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100% of all medical equipment must be raised locally.
You can help give our doctors, nurses and staff the tools they need to care for those who walk through our doors. From wheelchairs to pain pumps from surgical equipment to cardiac monitors, x-ray machines, scopes and a faxitron – our equipment pieces range from $300 - $750,000 each.
**Making A Real Impact . . . A Salute to Our Community’s Generosity!**

Each donation is precious, and every donor is priceless … individuals, groups, and businesses building a brighter future for healthcare throughout our region.

**Hole In Won!** A Salute to all those that participated in the 14th Annual “Golf for the Health of It” Royal LePage/Hiller Realty Ltd. Tournament! A special thanks to Platinum Sponsor — CULLITON, our gold and silver sponsors, our hole sponsors, prize donors and major contributors and to the 144 golfers who make this event so successful.


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$2,771.45 raised!

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**Video Plus Books + CDs Points Make an Impact**

Every time people donate their points, Video Plus Books converts them into dollars that have an impact on local healthcare. A total of $875 was contributed to the MRI campaign.

L to R: Alisha Robinson, Al Coleman, Andrea Page – SGHF Executive Director, and John George.

**Smile Cookies raise some dough**

for Stratford General Hospital Foundation – one delicious bite at a time. The $13,730 raised is guaranteed to put a smile on the face of every doctor, nurse and patient with 100% of the proceeds from every cookie sold going towards the Foundation – helping our hospital improve patient care, reduce wait times, and provide the facilities, tools and technology we all rely on. That’s something we can all sink our teeth into!

L- R: Mat Cooper and Robbin Hewitt - Tim Hortons, Andrea Page - SGH Foundation ED, Cheryl and Mark Moore - Tim Hortons.
Ric Thomas Epic Journey helps Stratford General Hospital get “geared” up with the latest and best Hospital equipment. Ric and five bicycling buddies... Rob deWever, Scrog McConkey, Brian Murray, Steve Hunter and Pete Thomas embarked on an epic journey to benefit Stratford General Hospital this summer. The 260 km, 10hr-40min, bicycle ride from Stratford to Ric’s cottage in Severn Bridge raised a few blisters, as well as some $5,840 for Stratford General Hospital Foundation — exceeding Ric’s $5,000 goal. A special thank you to Ric and his team for their enthusiasm, initiative and commitment!

Fond Farewell. Foundation Board Vice-chair, Tom Parisi of RBC receives a plaque in appreciation of his 5 years of commitment and service to Stratford General Hospital Foundation and as a thank you for his efforts in securing major gifts for the Heart & Soul hospital redevelopment campaign.

L-R Andrew Williams HPHA CEO, Tom Parisi RBC, and Andrea Page SGHF ED.

Donor Recognition Unveiled – The Make a Real Impact $3.8 million MRI Campaign has gone over the top! That’s an incredible feat and a true testament to the generosity of our donors. Whether it’s a gift towards our MRI or a donation towards our hospital’s growing list of vital equipment and state-of-the-art technology, it’s donor generosity that’s responsible for helping us build a better hospital and a healthier future for us all. Some 6,800 donors stepped forward to support the MRI in Stratford — nearly half of them first time donors to our Foundation. On June 5th over 200 donors took part in the MRI donor wall unveiling ceremony. Made of glass blocks representing different donor levels, it’s an original design with elements that connect it to the HPHA tree logo, and to our wall in the June Blanch lobby. An MRI donor name panel will also be added to our main donor wall.
YOUR DONATION COUNTS! Please take a moment and reflect on what our community would be like without our hospital. Our health care team has one main focus - YOU - the patient. In the last year the health care team has touched the lives of countless people and their families with their compassion, skill and expertise. Every gift you give impacts the care we are able to provide. Your support purchases essential medical equipment - equipment we can’t afford to be without. We count on you to help us provide quality and patient-focused care. Thank you!

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