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The SGH Foundation works with the community to help raise funds for equipment, upgrading of facilities and special projects of the Stratford General Hospital.



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The FUTURE is #InOurHands...

In Our Hands campaign update: we are now at \$24 Million in cash and pledges thanks to generous donors like you, **BUT our work is not done yet!** ...

The Stratford General Hospital Foundation's "In Our Hands" Capital Campaign \$30 Million Goal.

There is an extensive list of equipment needed for Stratford General Hospital, and some top priorities include:

- Chemotherapy and co-located Pharmacy Renovation
- Mental Health Initiatives
- New MRI
- New Lab & Technology
- New beds throughout the hospital
- Operating Room equipment



**TEAMWORK
MAKES WHAT'S
IMPOSSIBLE
TO DO ALONE,
POSSIBLE**

It's In Our Hands



Chemo/Pharmacy Construction Proceeds with the Stroke of a Pen



January 12th 2022 - Chemo/Pharmacy Construction "Contract Signing" with completion Spring 2024

L to R: Andrew Williams, President & CEO; Ryan Itterman, Director Diagnostics, Regional Pharmacy & Chemotherapy; Becky Lau, Supervisor Regional Pharmacy & Chemotherapy; Dr. Janis MacNaughton; Dr. Janis Nicholson; Andrea Page, Stratford General Hospital Foundation Executive Director; Paul Roulston, Stratford General Hospital Foundation In Our Hands Campaign Co-Chair; Amir Shenouda, SEM Construction President; Francesco Sabatini, Manager Facilities Management Projects; Steve Hearn, HPHA Board Chair

It's not often a stroke of a pen plays a role in improving healthcare, but several were put to good use signing a construction contract bringing a new Chemotherapy Unit and Pharmacy a step closer to completion at the Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance (HPHA) Stratford General Hospital site. The event held on January 12, 2023 marked the official construction start of a renovation project which will have an impact on thousands of chemotherapy patients along with hospital inpatients that rely on HPHA's pharmacy to provide superior medication management.

The signing of the construction contract takes the project from years of planning, input from staff, patients and patient partners to the next level, from paper (blue prints) to reality. This \$13 million project is part of the Stratford General Hospital Foundation's In Our Hands campaign.

"The Stratford General Hospital Foundation launched the In Our Hands campaign at an event attended by 150 donors and a special countdown with astronaut Dr. Roberta Bondar in June 2022 with a goal of \$30 million," says Paul Roulston, In Our Hands Campaign Co-Chair. "Right now, through incredible generosity of donors we are at \$24 million in cash and pledges. Since we receive no funding from the provincial government for medical equipment every dollar vested into essential equipment and funding for special projects like the Chemotherapy and Pharmacy

renovation has been given by those who care about our hospital, our patients and our healthcare team."

There are currently more than 2,000 patient visits for chemotherapy at the HPHA Stratford General Hospital each year. The Chemotherapy Unit is an integral part of cancer care for patients in Stratford and area, providing top-notch care closer to home, thereby eliminating the anxiety of receiving treatment in an unfamiliar setting, reducing the time and expense of travel, and providing the opportunity to develop close relationships and a support system with other local residents.

"The Chemotherapy program has experienced steady growth in patient volumes and these trends are expected to continue," says Ryan Itterman, Director Diagnostics and Regional Pharmacy & Chemotherapy.

"We can never say thank you enough! Our donors have always been there for us and we know that they will help us raise the remaining \$6 million to help make an incredible difference at our hospital," adds Andrea Page, Stratford General Hospital Foundation Executive Director. "From new ultrasounds, to the completion of the Chemotherapy and Pharmacy renovation; a new MRI to new youth mental health initiatives, every dollar counts and we can't do it without our community."

Project highlights include:

- Additional patient consult and treatment space with upgraded chairs and beds.
- Interior renovation of 16,000+ square feet of the third and fourth floor of the West Building.
- Improved medication compounding facilities.
- New mechanical and electrical systems.
- Enhanced security and data and WI-FI systems.
- A new negative pressure room to provide care for high risk patients.
- Expanded support services areas including new staff rest and change rooms.
- Replacement of windows along with exterior building repairs including new roofing.

To support the In Our Hands campaign, please visit:

www.sghfoundation.org // www.inourhands.ca

or contact the SGH Foundation directly at 519-272-8210 ext. 2626 sgh.foundation@hpha.ca



L-R: Josef Frank, SGHF Board
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A total of \$80,537,700.63 raised during this time has translated into tremendous healthcare impact, from new buildings, to state-of-the-art technology, to ensuring hospital staff are supported and have the "tools to do their jobs".

It is truly remarkable how many ways we've been able to support our hospital over the years because of donors and colleagues like you. Incorporated in 1983, the Foundation is governed by a volunteer board of directors. The Foundation, through the support of our community, has raised millions of dollars to purchase equipment and enhance facilities at Stratford General, touching the lives of countless patients and their families.

We can never say thank you enough for your continued support.



Making A Real Impact . . . A Salute

Each donation is precious, and every donor is priceless ... individuals, groups, and



RE/MAX a-b Realty Ltd.

As things are "springing forward" with our New Cancer Care & Ambulatory Medical Clinic redevelopment, we'd like to recognize the fabulous team members of RE/MAX a-b Realty Ltd. for pledging **\$200,000** towards the Communication Station in our Cancer Care and Ambulatory Medical Clinic. Your investment in patient care brings new possibilities closer to home!

On behalf of our patients, their families, and hardworking caregivers- we can never say thank you enough!



L-R: Linda Hawken, Christina Fischer- Shop Manager, Noreen Ollivier, Pieter VanMeekeren, Brent Webley, and Carolyn Yundt, dedicated members- VSGH.

The Volunteers of Stratford General Hospital (VSGH)

When you enter our hospital, you are greeted by the warm, caring faces of our volunteer team.

They are dedicated to supporting the patient experience through a variety of specialty programs. Prior to COVID-19, the volunteers supported 32 programs/roles within the SGH Site. The Coffee Shop and the Gift Shop programs are the Volunteer's main sources of fundraising. These two programs are lovingly referred to as the volunteer's "super fundraisers" raising 80% of their annual donation to help pay for much-needed, state-of-the-art, hospital equipment. Both the shops are currently recruiting volunteers to assist the Volunteers of SGH with their mission. Other events include a lobby book/CD sale and a Christmas in July raffle.



Easter Stratford Makers Market

Thank you once again to the incredible organizers of the Stratford Makers Market & generous community members who fundraised to support equipment care in our Maternal Child unit. The proceeds from this year's Easter - Stratford Makers Market total **\$7,136!** Your generous donations will help purchase: a Glider Rocker, a Portable Suction for Crash Cart, and one Mini Fridge. Great Job!



The Kinsmen Club of Stratford

Pictured L-R: Trevor Exner- President, Kinsmen Club of Stratford, Andrea Page- Executive Director, SGHF, Andrew Williams- President and CEO, HPHA and Doug Young- Risk Manager and Director, Kinsmen Club of Stratford.

We'd like to thank the Kinsmen Club of Stratford for their generous investment in patient care towards our Chemo Unit- In Our Hands campaign with a gift of **\$1000**. Your gift has real impact!



On-site at the Stratford "Poet & Perth" Townhome community - coming soon...

Reid's Heritage Homes

Thank you to Reid's Heritage Homes who have made an incredibly generous investment of **\$20,000** in Youth Mental Health services!

Our hospital is aimed at working with our community partners across Huron and Perth Counties to strengthen the elements we know have the most impact on the mental health of youth and young adults. Our goal is to provide a seamless response across age barriers and partners by working together, improving navigation and utilizing technology. **This transformation is part of our "In Our Hands" Campaign – mental health... is in our hands. We are working on raising \$1 million to improve local mental health both in our inpatient unit and throughout our communities.**

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We're Thankful for Stratford's Stratford

Stratford Stratford's staff are some of our biggest cheerleaders. We are so thankful to visit with them to celebrate their impactful pledge payment of **\$25,000** towards the #InOurHands campaign!



The Cook Family - Inspiring Philanthropy

Maxine and Richard Cook (centre with photo)

The Cook family has made a very generous investment in local healthcare by donating **\$25,000** to the new Chemotherapy Unit. Maxine and Richard Cook are strong advocates for supporting their community and wanted to provide an opportunity for their children and grandchildren to experience first-hand how wonderful it feels to give back... Please join us in thanking them!



Thank you to Enbridge Staff

Photo, Back Row: Audra Boersen- Manager of Maternal Child, Erin Lindsay- Enbridge Employee, Julie Thistlethwaite- RN and Team Lead for Mat Child. Front Row: Adrienne Harford- Enbridge Employee, & Michelle Lindsay- Enbridge Employee and Successful Grant Applicant.

Please join us in thanking the generous staff members of Enbridge (pictured here) who created "Special Care Nursery Graduation gifts".

These gift bags will be given out to our tiniest patients when they graduate from our SCN, and get to move home with their families! Aww!

A big shout out to Michelle Lindsay, an Enbridge staff member who initiated this gift by completing an \$1,000 employee grant application, and worked with our maternal child unit to plan for this special gift.

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