For the first time ever, the Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation, the Bennett & Albert County Hospital Foundation, and the Friends of The Moncton Hospital Foundation have partnered to launch the “Healthy Returns” Capital Campaign with a goal of $5.5 million. The success of this Campaign will enable us to bring patient care to a new level for families and friends in our region. The campaign goal for the Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation is to raise $250,000 which will purchase a range of urgently needed medical tools for the Sackville Memorial Hospital. These include a defibrillator, laboratory equipment, a wheelchair scale, microscope, blood bank refrigerator, and several specialized beds. Another significant piece of equipment is a computed radiography system that will help physicians to more accurately make diagnoses. This “filmless” system will also enable the hospital to instantly transmit digital X-rays to The Moncton Hospital, where specialists can provide added consultation while the patient remains close to home.

Unlike traditional film-based systems, computed radiography stores X-ray images digitally. This not only saves time for patients and staff, but it is also less harmful to the environment, since film processing chemicals are eliminated; space does not have to be devoted to storing films, nor can films be lost; and a more sensitive technology means fewer retakes are needed.

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“New technology in Sackville allows X-ray images to be assessed by radiologists in Moncton and for physicians in Sackville to simultaneously view the same images with radiologists and other consultants while discussing patient care. This means residents can receive quality care in their home community.” Dr. Ross Thomas, Chief – Family Practice, Sackville Memorial Hospital. 

Foundation Chair, Kathleen McMullen, says “Healthy Returns” marks the largest ever cooperative effort among these three foundations and will ensure we remain at the forefront of efficiency and medical technology. “We have an opportunity today to help create a community legacy. Our citizens can make a significant contribution to the health of our families, and to the health and well being of people in the Tantramar area,” says McMullen. Barbara Gall, Capital Campaign Community Chair, urges the public to be a part of this opportunity by donating to the campaign today. “The Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation is dedicated to placing state of the art tools in the hands of our medical staff who serve the people in the Tantramar area to the highest possible standard,” says Gall. For more information on the “Healthy Returns” Capital Campaign and how the three foundations are involved, please visit www.healthyreturns.ca.

Sackville Lions Club Donates $5000 to “Healthy Returns” Campaign

From left, Foundation Fund Raising Chair Gloria Estabrooks accepts a cheque from Lions representatives Donna Hicks, Sheila Searle (President) and Fred Cook.

Thank You

I would like to thank you for the $500 bursary that I was awarded at the 2005 T.R.H.S graduation. I appreciate your generosity and support which will help me achieve my academic goals at the Memorial University of Newfoundland. Thank you again, Natalie Burns.
The Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation surpassed its fund raising campaign goal of $48,000. As a matter of fact, $56,347.53 was raised for a new palliative care suite which opened its doors this summer, providing that much needed comfort and privacy for both patient and family. Barbara Gall, Campaign Chairperson, says that, thanks to the generosity of hundreds of individuals, corporations, community organizations and gifts in kind donations, the Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation was able to complete another successful campaign. Gall says the “Give Comfort” campaign was launched in early March and within weeks it was over the top. Gall is confident that the palliative care suite will make a big difference for patients and will allow their family members to be more actively involved in their life at a difficult time. A standard patient room was transformed into a homelike atmosphere for patients and their families. The suite includes a new kitchen area, a sitting area, sleeping accommodations and a large shower. Although renovations and the purchase of equipment for hospital and home totaled $48,000, the additional money raised is being used on this project as is intended by our donors. One of the items that was purchased for the room was a $12,500 specialized mattress that prevents skin breakdown. The remaining funds were used for major renovations and furniture for visiting relatives.
Foundation Gives Funds to Port Elgin Health Centre

The Port Elgin Health Centre’s role is to work in partnership with the community, to offer the people in the community the skills and resources they need to improve their health, and to build a healthy community. In support of the Centre, the Foundation purchased a pulse oximeter ($799), an easel ($101), and an ear thermometer ($212). The Foundation also donated $383 for the Port Elgin Health Fair. Thank You!

Mission Statement

The mission of the Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation is to raise funds and administer its resources to preserve, maintain, and enhance the quality of health care in the Tantramar region.

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If you already made a donation to the Foundation, please accept our sincere thanks. However, if you didn’t have the opportunity to contribute you may still support the work of the Foundation. Tax receipts will be issued for all donations. Thank you!

Foundation’s Belief in Education

The Foundation was able to provide educational funds to the following hospital staff during the period from January 1, 2005 to present.

Sheelagh Callaghan
Learning Disabilities Workshop
$150.00

Sandy Kane
Cardiovascular Symposium
$330.00

Corinna Power
NB Health Centre Interest Group
$283.09

Dr. Suzanne Hall-Losier
ACLS Training for Nurses
$600.00

June Kerry
Practical Performance Measurement Workshop
$250.00

The total spent on education from January 1, 2005 until October 31, 2005 is $1613.09.