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Dr. Tooraj Shakerinia, General Surgeon

The Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation **Launches Operate with Surgical Precision Campaign**

The Sackville Memorial Hospital (SMH) Foundation has launched its **Operate with Surgical Precision Campaign** with an ambitious **\$200,000** fundraising goal. The funds will be invested in specialized equipment that will elevate surgical and emergency care.

When you or your loved one needs surgery, complicated or not, you want peace of mind knowing our surgeons have the best tools to do their job.

Surgeons performed over 800 procedures last year at the SMH,

which due to COVID-19, was lower than usual. In order to be “a cut above”, the SMH needs **new overhead operating room lights, anesthesia monitoring equipment, a sterilizer for medical device reprocessing and a laparoscopic/arthroscopic tower (camera and monitor)**. This cutting-edge camera offers sharper images providing truer to life clarity and colour, giving surgeons a better look at the fine details – so important during minimally invasive surgical procedures.

Although the equipment being used right now is fully operational, meeting our needs and completely safe, it is essential that it be replaced to keep up with developing technology.

The SMH is renowned for its outstanding Day Surgery Program offering over 40 different types of surgeries including: arthroscopic repair of ACL, knees and shoulder procedures (Ortho), breast reduction and augmentation, carpal tunnel repair (Plastics), cystoscopy, urinary incontinence repair (Urology), ►

tubal ligation and hysteroscopy (Gynecology), hernia repair, varicose veins stripping, lumpectomy and gallbladder removal (General and Vascular).

It is important to note that having state-of-the-art technology makes it easier to recruit and retain surgeons and care for the patients we serve.

In addition to the items for the surgical program, a **cardiac telemetry system** – a way to monitor a patient's cardiac rhythm remotely and during any patient activity, will also be acquired for the Emergency Department.

Campaign Chair Pat Estabrooks says she is confident that with the help of the Foundation's loyal donors, our goal will be reached and used to strengthen the Sackville Memorial Hospital.

"Your donation today will help our surgeons and the entire health care team provide better care for you, your family, friends and neighbours," says Estabrooks.

If you would like to make a donation, you can contact the Foundation at 364-4205, drop by the hospital, or donate securely online at www.smhf.ca/donate.



If the campaign goal is exceeded, the additional funds will be used on the Hospital's other priority needs.



Laparoscopic/arthroscopic tower (camera and monitor) **\$67,000**

New overhead lights **\$22,500**

Where your donation is going



Sterilizer for medical device reprocessing **\$42,000**



Cardiac telemetry system **\$22,000**
Anesthesia monitoring equipment **\$41,000**

Why I Give

Long time loyal donors Judy and Oswald LeBlanc are immensely grateful for their community hospital. The couple has had many occasions to use the hospital's services during the more than 45 years living in Sackville. Recently, Oswald had a complicated endoscopy performed at The Moncton Hospital to remove gallstones and to clear blocked ducts. Judy was so very impressed with the seamless care and partnership between The Moncton Hospital and SMH.

"I felt comforted knowing that Oswald could recover and be followed-up closer to home. When dealing with health issues, there is no comparison to spending time in a quiet, pleasant family atmosphere cared for by an exceptional medical team," noted Judy.

Both Judy and Oswald are proud that their donations make an impact to patient care and keeping our local hospital vibrant.

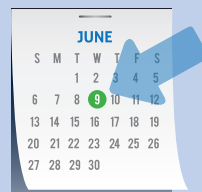


Oswald and Judy LeBlanc

You're invited to our Virtual AGM

The Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation's Annual General Meeting will be held virtually on **Wednesday, June 9 at 7 pm**. To receive a link to the Zoom meeting, RSVP to SMHFoundation@HorizonNB.ca with your name and email address.

All are welcome!



www.smhf.ca All money raised is used locally to enhance patient care at the Sackville Memorial Hospital.

Young Students Receive Comfort Bears

Foundation Contributed to this Mental Health Initiative

In March, kindergarten to grade 4 students in the Tantramar region received a bit of comfort and support in the form of a cuddly teddy bear.

In response to mental health concerns young students were facing due to COVID-19, the Tantramar COVID-19 Task Force developed the Comfort Bear project to provide both comfort and a life-long mental health skill for coping with stressful feelings.

547 teddy bears were purchased thanks to local donors, including the SMH Foundation. Attached to the backs of the bears is a simple comforting message, with directions for an anxiety-reduction breathing practice that their teachers taught them. The hope is that they will use this self-calming breathing exercise, as they look to their teddy bear for comfort.

Do you have a health and wellness initiative?
We may be able to help.

If you have a health and wellness project that focuses on improving the wellbeing of our community, the Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation may be able to help.

Community groups and not-for-profit organizations throughout the Tantramar area are encouraged to apply for funding for health and wellness initiatives.



Requests must meet one of the six priority needs of the Tantramar Area Community Health Needs Assessment.

www.smhf.ca/en/healthandwellnessfunding

Please note that limited funding is available and not all projects will be accepted.

DONATION FORM

Yes, you can count on my support!

Enclosed is my gift of:

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thank you!



Where there's a Will, there's a way.

Leave a Legacy

Making a **Planned Gift** to the Sackville Memorial Hospital Foundation will help future generations for years to come.

Tantramar residents are known for their tradition of giving back to the community. Please continue to support the Sackville Memorial Hospital by remembering us in your Will.

For more information about how your gift can be arranged and how it will be used, please contact the Foundation at **860-2307** or visit our website at www.smhf.ca/legacy.



Staff Education: A Foundation Priority

The following Horizon Health Network staff were awarded funds in 2020-2021, which in turn benefits patients and their families. Education funding is a partnership between the Foundation, SMH and the SMH Auxiliary. Due to COVID-19 the educational opportunities were affected. \$1,084 was invested in the staff education opportunities below.

Staff person	Department	Participated in
Corinna Power	Port Elgin Nurse Practitioner	Addressing Cannabis Use in Primary Care Online Course
Jessica Ryan	Telecommunications	Medical Terminology for Health Sciences Online Course

Accountability

The Foundation is committed to leadership in transparency and accountability. View our audited financial statements online. www.smhf.ca/en/auditedfinancialstatements.



Hospital Staff – You Are Appreciated

A big thank you to our frontline workers at the SMH who continue to provide exceptional and compassionate care for patients, making a difference in the fight against COVID-19. Your heroic efforts continue to inspire the community.

If you know someone who works at SMH, we encourage you to share your gratitude with them.
#weareallinthistogether

Did you know?



Foundation-sponsored colouring kits are provided to families with children visiting the Sackville Memorial Hospital to help keep kids occupied during their stay.

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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.