



Dear community, friends, and valued donors,

On behalf of my fellow trustees I am delighted to share with you some of the highlights of the Foundation's work over the past year.

We understand that investing in our local hospital is essential for the health and wellness of our community, and we are proud to showcase just some of the initiatives that were made possible with the help of your generous donations. With your continued support, we can advance these important projects and many more.



Physician Recruitment and Retention – A large part of our focus the last few years has been physician recruitment. To this end our recruitment team, led by Foundation Chairman **Dr. Al Doucet**, have successfully managed to secure **Dr. Allison Freeman, Dr. Asaad Abuelgasim, Dr. Alison Freeman, Dr. Andrew Bray, Dr. Folasade Akinwande, Dr. Natasha Harlow** and nurse practitioner **Ella Tweedie**.

Queens General Hospital Beautification Project – Our commitment to beautifying the Hospital property for the enjoyment of patients and family continues under the care of **Angela Roy** and her crew. This beautification has been very well received.



Health Professional Suite – The Foundation, recognizing a need to house medical professionals who travel to Queens General Hospital, finalized a Health Professional Suite on the third floor of Queens General. The suite has three ensuite rooms with a common living area and kitchenette. This and other initiatives, along with the support and cooperation of hospital medical staff, has resulted in Queens General being chosen by Dalhousie Medical School to be included in their residency program. This program places future medical professionals in our community with the hopes that they will want to return to rural medicine.

Queens County Transit – We have also continued our partnership with Queens County Transit (QCT). Our funding contribution to QCT is used to subsidize Queens County residents who require medical transport and are financially disadvantaged.



SSRH MRI – This year also saw QGHF pay the final installment of our commitment to the MRI diagnostic machine being installed in South Shore Regional Hospital in Bridgewater as part of their redevelopment plan. Our support of this project will ensure enhanced and prompt diagnosis for Queens County residents.

OTHER INITIATIVES

- Tonometer for eye pressure readings in ER
- Floor scrubber for QGH
- Specialized patient bikes for clients at Queens Manor
- New OR table with stirrups for procedure area
- Three mobile healthcare recliners for QGH
- Doppler and ABI Index System to help with limb assessment in the diabetic foot clinic
- Simulation Station where staff can practice resuscitation on site
- Funds to hire 4 summer students who plan careers in health care

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OTHER INITIATIVES, CONT'D.

- 10 motorized 'stand to lift recliners' for the Adult Day Care and Respite Program
- Tovertafel table for care of dementia patients at North Queens Nursing Home
- Colposcope for QGH which allows visiting gynecologists to assess patients locally
- A specialized freezer for specimen processing at the QGH lab
- Funds for physicians to upgrade their skill sets in 'point of care' Ulsonography
- Bursary program for local students training in health care who hope to return to QGH
- Sponsorship of the successful Seniors Safety Fair held at Best Western in May
- Updates to the QGHF website (www.qghfoundation.ca) and the QGHF Recruitment website (www.bestlifenovascotia.ca)



Thank you to our community for continued generosity and support. Your donations have strengthened our community's access to quality healthcare and continue to bolster our efforts to improve our healthcare system. On behalf of QGHF and all who have benefited from your kindness, thank you.

If you can donate this year, we hope that you will once again consider Queens General Hospital Foundation in your charitable giving plans.

With deepest gratitude,

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ABOUT THE QUEENS GENERAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

At the Queens General Hospital Foundation, we are committed to ensuring that Queens County residents have access to quality healthcare, close to home. Through our generous donors, dedicated Board members and community volunteers, our work funds state-of-the-art equipment and facility upgrades for Queens General Hospital and enables the recruitment and retention of highly skilled health professionals to care for our community.

Funds donated to the QGH Foundation are managed by two expert financial teams and returns are closely monitored by the Foundation Finance Committee. As the QGH Foundation is managed by a team of volunteer trustees, there is very little administrative overhead.

