





## **A MESSAGE FROM MARNIE BREHM, BOARD CHAIR, AND PEARL F. VEENEMA, PRESIDENT AND CEO, HAMILTON HEALTH SCIENCES FOUNDATION**



**Marnie Brehm**  
Board Chair

Just like in a puzzle, it is only when all the pieces are assembled that one can truly see the whole picture. This year's donor report provides a picture of the many ways you, and thousands of donors like you, came together to support our work in 2016.

It is gratifying to think about all the different ways in which donor dollars supported the care provided across Hamilton Health Sciences and how many patients' lives were impacted because you cared. We disbursed \$13.65 million which directly impacted the patient experience for so many. Your support allowed equipment to be purchased, clinical spaces to be redeveloped, life-altering research to be conducted and important educational opportunities to be taken.

We are pleased to have raised \$25.2 million in 2016 thanks to the collective impact of our donors. Whether those contributions came through individual donors, corporate gifts, event organizers and participants, granting foundations, lottery proceeds, memorial gifts, tributes in honour of loved ones or clinical team members, gifts made in wills or through stock transfers, monthly donations, or any of the many other ways that gifts can be made, we are grateful for your support. The combined impact of these gifts and the lives touched will last for years.

Every day, we share stories of patients who have been impacted by the care provided by our colleagues at Hamilton Health Sciences. It is

those stories that serve to inspire and motivate, and it is for those patients, and the ones that follow, that we work hard toward our goal of *Health Care, Transformed*.

Thank you to the many volunteers on our Board, committees and fundraising councils for the countless hours they spend working on our behalf. We would like to acknowledge Nancy McMillan who left the Board in 2016, and welcome Ralph Olivieri. George McCarter, our past Board Chair and long-term supporter, is stepping down from the Board and we are appreciative of his contributions over many years.

Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation has made a strong commitment to ensuring an effective governance structure, something for which we would like to acknowledge the leadership of Michael Kray who has completed his Board term. Congratulations to Board Treasurer David Simpson for receiving an Ontario Volunteer Service Award, recognizing 30 years of distinguished service to Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation. We are also pleased to report that once again, Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation was recognized by the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy for excellence. This designation acknowledges that we are a highly efficient and effective organization, which underscores our commitment to be good stewards of your donations and equally accountable for how they are spent.



**Pearl F. Veenema, FAHP**  
President & CEO



## THIS YEAR'S THEME - YOUR PIECE OF THE PUZZLE

We have chosen to illustrate this year's donor report into four main segments built around patients – it is their stories that inspire and guide our work each and every day. As the four pieces of the puzzle come together, they serve as a tribute to your gifts and help create a picture of your support.

Whether you support a particular site, program or our highest priority needs, the stories that follow reflect how your gifts enable us to make a difference. Each of the sections: Impact, Futures, Experience and Places, demonstrate how you are helping patients at Hamilton Health Sciences. We hope you take pride in what we have accomplished together.

## 2016 HIGHLIGHTS

- Raised \$25.2 million in donations
- Disbursed \$13.65 million to Hamilton Health Sciences
- Realized 20BY20 endowed fund balance of \$16.2 million
- Completed Hybrid Operating Suite Campaign exceeding \$3-million goal
- Received more than 250 gifts made through *Honour. Give. Transform.* in honour of Hamilton Health Sciences staff, physicians and teams
- Supported nine Research Chairs

*With thanks to Dr. Helene Flageole, Sebastian Bruce and Alexa Allen for helping illustrate our theme on the cover.*



# IMPACT

"Zac loves using the staircase because it gives him independence to walk down the stairs without my husband or I holding his hand."  
– Linda, Zac's mom

Ron Joyce  
Children's  
Health Centre



## REFLECTIONS ON A YEAR OF ENABLING DREAMS

Every time patients enter the doors of Ron Joyce Children's Health Centre, they take another step toward the realization of their own dreams. Since opening in late 2015, the Centre has experienced an almost 3.5 per cent increase in patient visits across all programs, representing a total of nearly 60,000 visits.

"Our family is very thankful to the wonderful staff for their support and we acknowledge the part they play in helping Justin reach his potential," says Cindy, Justin's Mom.

The combination of the new environment, state-of-the-art equipment and additional programming are enabling:

- Improved treatment plans and clinical integration between programs
- Increased program access
- Reduced social isolation for children and families
- Increased physical independence and heightened self-esteem



## ONWARDS AND UPWARDS

Ten years ago, Brian Humphrey had a vision to help others battling cancer with fun and fitness. In 2007 he founded *Climb for Cancer*, an annual fundraising event that just keeps growing.

What started as a small group of people climbing the “Chedoke stairs” has grown to an event of more than 1,200 participants at Tim Hortons Field. Proceeds have supported the CIBC Breast Assessment Centre, the Stem Cell Transplant Program and essential equipment purchases at Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre. The 10th annual *Climb for Cancer* on May 7 supported the purchase of equipment for the Oncology and Hematology Units, such as beds, IV poles and blood pressure cuffs.

Thanks to Brian and his team for 10 years of tremendous support.



## TRANSFORMATIONAL GIFT KEEPS ON GIVING

More than 300 patients a year are expected to receive life-altering care for strokes, aneurysms, blood vessel malformations and other brain abnormalities thanks to a new biplane angiogram machine. The purchase of this remarkable machine, the only one in the region, was made possible due to a transformational gift made by the Marta and Owen Boris Foundation.

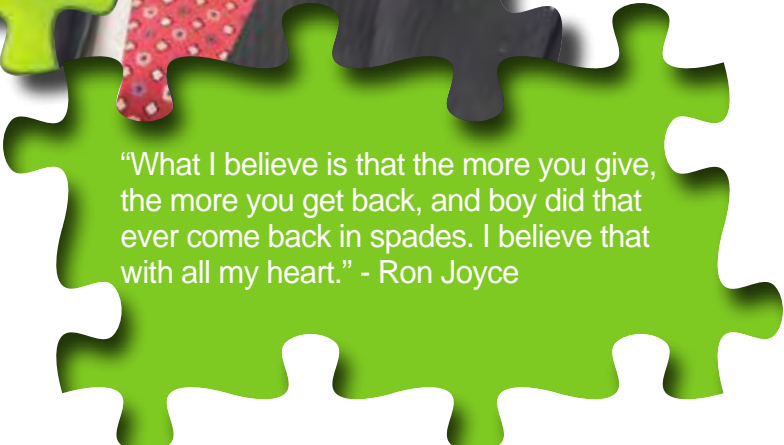
Within months of installation, the number of patients treated on the system exceeded forecast. This multifaceted gift included the purchase of the biplane, in addition to supporting stroke research and an expansion in the training of stroke specialists. It is this combination of technology, talent and training which has made such a significant impact on the overall quality of patient care at Hamilton General Hospital.

***“The stroke program at Hamilton Health Sciences delivers excellence in comprehensive stroke care...”***


**– Accreditation Canada**







"What I believe is that the more you give, the more you get back, and boy did that ever come back in spades. I believe that with all my heart." - Ron Joyce



"Philanthropy has touched my heart very deeply and it is my greatest passion. I believe it's about dedicating our time, our ethics and our love into changing the world." - Jessica Wilson

## PHILANTHROPISTS OF THE YEAR

Ron Joyce and Jessica Wilson, a MacKid, were recognized at the 2016 Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) Golden Horseshoe National Philanthropy Awards Luncheon in November.

Congratulations to Mr. Joyce for being named *Outstanding Philanthropist* of the year and Ms. Wilson for being named *Outstanding Youth in Philanthropy*.



To read Jessica's full speech, visit [hamiltonhealth.ca/jessica-speech](http://hamiltonhealth.ca/jessica-speech)



# Care4

Our Hospitals, and Help  
Transform Health Care

## MARKETING WITH A CAUSE

The Care4 cause marketing program continued to expand in 2016 with several new partners making a financial commitment to The Foundation on behalf of their customers. We were pleased to welcome Ballantrae Garlic Farm, Barry's Jewellers Ltd., HomeWell Senior Care and Mobile Communication Services to our Care4 family.

Special thanks to Assured Automotive for its contributions during its tenure in the program.

An inaugural member of the program, Acura of Hamilton, reached an amazing milestone contributing nearly \$350,000.



To learn more, visit  
[hamiltonhealth.ca/care4](http://hamiltonhealth.ca/care4)



## HEALTHY HOMES

Finding a home that is the perfect fit can be a challenge. Heritage Realty eases the challenge for clients, while giving back in support of cancer care.

Participating representatives donated a minimum of \$250 from the commission of every home sold to support the CIBC Breast Assessment Centre, prostate cancer research and care, and patient amenities across Juravinski Cancer Centre. Having raised \$25,000 in 2016, the Heritage Realty team has made a renewed commitment to enriching the lives of cancer patients.



## THE RIGHT TOOLS FOR THE RIGHT JOB

Thousands of individual donors support Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation with various types and sizes of gifts throughout the year. The collective impact of these gifts enables the purchase of important equipment, which is not funded by government. We call these *Essentials for Excellence*, as each of these pieces of equipment is essential to providing excellence in patient care. The following are just a few examples of what was purchased with donor dollars:

- A GlideScope Laryngoscope is a mobile video intubation system used in urgent situations when a patient loses consciousness or has difficulty breathing while on a rehabilitation unit. Using this system, rapid response teams are able to open up the patient's airways.
- Two NICO Myriad Tumour Resection Systems, which are valuable neurosurgical tools used on both adult and pediatric patients undergoing brain surgery. This device enables surgeons to remove brain lesions and tumours in a new, less-invasive manner, with minimal impact on healthy brain tissue. This tool enables surgeries that otherwise would not have been possible because of the location or placement of a tumour or lesion.
- Glauber aortic clamps are essential tools used in mini-aortic valve replacements, an innovative surgical procedure which involves five-centimetre incisions rather than traditional open-heart valve replacement surgery. The clamps are vital for the teams at Hamilton General Hospital, home to the largest Cardiac Surgical Program in Ontario.







- Three Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) transport decks, which are mobile intensive care incubators used to transport critically ill or premature babies from other hospitals to receive specialized care at McMaster Children's Hospital, home to the largest NICU in Ontario.
- A bed alarm system is an important patient safety addition for the teams at St. Peter's Hospital. The alarms alert clinical teams when patients who are at high risk for falls have left their bed. These alarms are an essential tool in minimizing the risk of falls, and helping patients avoid complications or extended stays.
- Bravery beads and chemotherapy pumps are equally important essentials when caring for children with cancer. Administered by the Child Life team, bravery beads are collected by patients to commemorate each procedure or milestone as they go through their cancer treatment. Chemotherapy pumps are used to administer chemotherapy drugs in a controlled dose into a patient's bloodstream to treat the cancer.







## A NEW YORK STATE OF MIND

The Foundation transformed the Hamilton Convention Centre into the “Big Apple” at the *New York State of Mind* gala, presented by IBM. Sponsors and guests helped us raise nearly \$420,000 in gross revenue to support four innovative research projects:

- A study at Hamilton General Hospital to determine if post-surgical complications can be minimized by the early mobilization of cardiac patients;
- The Clinical Trials Program at Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre, the infrastructure of which is essential to enabling the implementation of new cancer therapies;
- A project at McMaster Children’s Hospital assessing the feasibility of establishing a community-based, complex-care clinic for children with chronic care needs;
- A study at St. Peter’s Hospital focusing on frailty prevention in older adults.

Our annual gala is just one of the ways we are able to support researchers across Hamilton Health Sciences as they work to address global health challenges and translate new discoveries into standard models of care.



To watch a video featuring the research projects, visit [hamiltonhealth.ca/gala-video](http://hamiltonhealth.ca/gala-video)



## FUNDING FELLOWSHIP IN FRAILTY

Dr. Olga Gajic-Veljanoski is a post-doctoral research fellow interested in frailty and quality-of-life research. She worked with the team at St. Peter's Hospital's GERAS Centre, within the Juravinski Research Centre on Aging, to examine factors that can help impact frailty over time.

Their research indicates that frailty has a dynamic nature and may be impacted by increasing physical activity, such as walking 30 minutes a day, preventing fractures and managing weight. The team also determined that both spine and hip fractures significantly accelerate the progression of frailty and that frailty progressed two to five times faster in obese individuals. The research aimed to explore predictors of frailty progression over 10 years.

"It is important to recognize that there are a number of strategies that can change the course of frailty," explains Dr. Alexandra Papaioannou, Executive Director, GERAS Centre. "The key message is that frailty can be prevented."

Thank you to all donors, including the Retired Teachers of Ontario Hamilton-Wentworth Branch, for supporting this important research.



## SUPPORTING NEXT-GENERATION RESEARCHERS

Medical research reflects the drive for knowledge that can foster innovation in clinical care. For many researchers venturing into a career of exploration, obtaining funding can be a challenge. The Foundation is honoured to support both the New Investigator Fund (NIF) and Early Career Awards (ECA) that enable investigators, under the mentorship of senior staff, to pursue their research interests. In 2016, we were pleased to contribute funding for 10 individual grants and awards.

Dr. Stelios Georgiades is an ECA recipient working to address "health inequalities in children with autism." He says that "this funding supports my vision to advance autism care through meaningful research. Combined with this support, I am leading the largest autism research collaboration in Canada, working toward unified policies to address the treatment and management of autism. This is building Hamilton's reputation as an international leader in this field."

Examples of other projects funded in 2016 include:

- Exploring new methods to treat and prevent atherosclerosis
- How to develop a new generation of statins with improved safety to help lower cholesterol
- A targeted prevention program aimed at reducing the burden of child and youth mental illness





## JURAVINSKI RESEARCH AND EDUCATIONAL GRANTS IMPACTING PATIENTS

Cancer presents not only physical but also emotional, social, informational, spiritual and practical challenges for patients and their families. Significant distress may occur when patients receive a diagnosis, or as they proceed through treatment. A team at Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre identified an opportunity

to enhance the knowledge and skills of physicians, nurses and health professional staff in their ability to provide more emotionally supportive care, contributing to a better patient experience. Funding through the Educational Grants program was awarded to support this important initiative.

## ALL BURSARY WINNERS

We are honoured to support many individuals across Hamilton Health Sciences with a range of bursaries and awards, many of which enable the pursuit of ongoing education and professional development.

### **Dianne Lee Award**

Po-Hui (Emily) Ho

### **Douglas St. John Award**

Celia Aiello

### **General Education Award**

Celia Aiello  
Salman Arif  
Charissa Cordon  
Tammy Cosman  
Lorraine Martelli  
Kelly Nancekivell  
Janny Proba  
Sadiah Wasty

### **Grant I. Budden Award**

Michelle McCorkindale  
Safia Varda

### **Robert Murray Burns Award**

Tammy Cosman  
Po-Hui (Emily) Ho  
Theresa Stokes

### **Shirley Johnson Award**

Diane DeRosa  
Robin Eady  
Terri-Lynn Vandendool

### **Spacelabs**

Erlene Seaborne

### **Occupational / Respiratory / Physiotherapy Awards of Excellence**

Brenda Boyter  
Jennifer Syley

### **Stuart J. Cohen Memorial Award**

Jessica Bogach  
Francois Caron  
Derek Chu  
Kayla Driver  
Amy Gillgrass  
Vanessa Houde  
Oren Levine  
Linda Villani

### **The Richard and Mary Pelling Bursary/Scholarship in Psychiatry**

Fiza Arshad  
Jasmine Chahal  
Melissa Elgie  
Melissa McCracken  
Tea Rosic

### **Virginia Hardy Education Award**

Salman Arif  
Po-Hui (Emily) Ho  
Theresa Stokes  
Dawn Prevost-Zantonos

### **Health Professional Awards**

#### ***Susan D. Smith Bursary***

Laurie Horricks

#### ***Aileen McPhail Bursary***

Rhiannon Mullen  
Krisztina Price

#### ***Paul Robson Bursary***

Stacey Kent

#### ***Health Professional Foundation Bursary***

Marwa Kandeil

### **Additional Bursaries Available**

Jessica Cruse Rehabilitation  
Nursing Award  
Child Life Recognition Award  
Dr. Stephen Buttrum Memorial  
Bursary in Clinical Psychology  
Henry C. Witelson Memorial  
Prize in Ophthalmology



## RESEARCH CHAIRS: A VITAL LINK TO PATIENT CARE

Nine research chairs are currently supported by endowed funds managed by The Foundation. These chair-holders are focused on advancing and sharing knowledge through research to improve the health care of patients across our sites.

### **Marta and Owen Boris Chair in Stroke Research and Care**

Held by Dr. Ashkan Shoamanesh

Dr. Shoamanesh is focused on efforts toward optimizing stroke patient care in Hamilton and abroad, through training the next generation of stroke physicians and translational research that will ultimately impact quality of care at the bedside, specifically related to patients with intra-cerebral hemorrhages (brain bleeds).

### **John G. Kelton Chair in Translational Research**

Held by Dr. Donald Arnold

Dr. Arnold is actively engaged in research related to platelet disorders with a focus on clinical trials. Other research interests include the optimal use of platelet transfusions in critically ill patients and transfusion reactions.

### **Scotiabank Chair in Child Health Research**

Held by Dr. Jan Willem Gorter

Dr. Gorter is addressing challenges experienced by children with chronic health conditions, such as cerebral palsy, as they transition into the adult health care system. His goal is to educate adolescents about the skills necessary to manage their conditions and transition successfully.

### **McMaster Children's Hospital / Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation Chair in Neuromuscular Disorders**

Held by Dr. Mark Tarnopolsky

Dr. Tarnopolsky is focused on advancing treatment to enhance function in patients of all ages with chronic genetic diseases of the muscles and central nervous system, mitochondria, and lysosomes. At least 1 in 100 Canadians have some form of neuromuscular or neuro-genetic disease.

### **OTHER CHAIRS SUPPORTED THROUGH HAMILTON HEALTH SCIENCES FOUNDATION INCLUDE:**

ArcelorMittal Dofasco Chair in Experimental Cancer Therapeutics, held by Dr. Paola Muti

Beamish Family Chair in Peripheral Vascular Surgery, held by Dr. Jacques Tittley

David R. (Dan) Offord Chair in Child Studies, held by Dr. Kathy Georgiades

Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation / Jack Sinclair Chair in Neonatology, held by Dr. Christoph Fusch

McMaster Children's Hospital / Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation Chair in Pediatric Thrombosis and Hemostasis, held by Dr. Anthony Chan



# FUTURES



## DIGNITY AT END-OF-LIFE

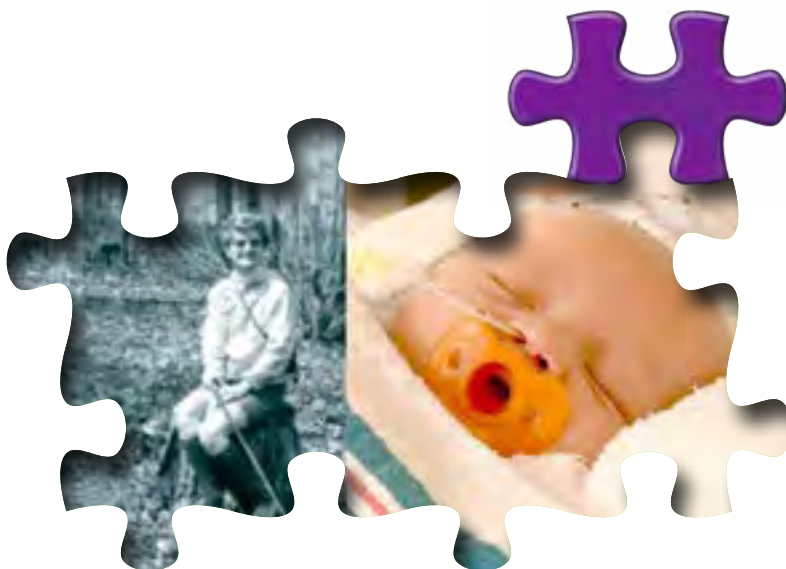
Stephanie McManus' patient journey may have ended in January 2016, but her journey to help others will continue for generations.

The former Hamilton General Hospital Foundation Fundraising Council member had a special connection to the teams at Hamilton Health Sciences. They saved her life on several occasions as she experienced medical complications such as an ectopic pregnancy, deep vein thrombosis and a pulmonary embolism in both lungs. We are grateful that before passing away from multiple myeloma, Stephanie left a gift in her will to support the establishment of an end-of-life room to provide a private and home-like atmosphere for patients and their families at The General.

## A LIFELONG COMMITMENT

Bernice Anderson believed in making Hamilton a healthy and prosperous city. She lived on a farm in Waterdown and her family had a close connection to the city through the stall they operated at the Hamilton Farmers' Market for 70 years.

Bernice held many charities close to her heart, including McMaster Children's Hospital Foundation. Before her passing, Bernice left a legacy gift in her will to enhance the specialized pediatric care available to children across the region.



## SUPPORTING PRIORITY NEEDS FOR GENERATIONS

Dr. Sami Najm and his late wife Shirley had tremendous gratitude for the teams at Hamilton General Hospital, including vascular surgeons Dr. John Harlock and Dr. David Szalay. Shirley underwent three bypass surgeries and a leg amputation at The General, where Sami also received care.

To honour his wife's memory, Sami established the *Dr. Sami Najm and Mrs. Shirley Najm Endowment Fund* with a \$100,000 commitment to support the purchase of priority medical equipment and patient needs in the Cardiac, Vascular and Stroke Program. This gift supports The Foundation's *20BY20 Endowment Campaign* and contributes to our goal of doubling our permanent, endowed fund reserves to \$20 million by the year 2020.



# LEGACY CIRCLE MEMBERS

The Legacy Circle honours people who share a commitment to the future of health care. As such, these generous individuals have notified Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation of a designated gift through their estate plans. Respectfully, many donors wish to remain anonymous. Those who granted permission to be recognized as members are listed below.



William and Ruth Almas  
Claire Andoff  
Callie Archer  
Bill and Helen Ayre  
Robert Baboth and Mary Beth Toth  
Lucien R. Backers and  
Helen H. Mackie  
Mary Beamer  
James and Catherine Bell  
In loving memory of Sian Bradwell  
Marnie Brehm  
Jean Brookings  
Deborah M. Brown  
Ann K. Bucke  
Caldarelli Family  
Doreen Carey  
Jacqueline Carey  
In Loving Memory of  
Hadley H. Chamberlain  
Jane Colling  
Ralph & Eileen Connor  
Helen DeBoer-Daggett  
The Di Tursi Family  
Joseph and Louise Di Tursi

Steve Dobrus  
Rhonda and Darren Drury  
Paul E. Durnan  
Ingeborg Evans  
Mrs. Pat Foss  
Helma Geyer  
Ronald J. Gillespie  
Bob Graves  
Tim and Lisa Gonnering  
Wayne Goodwin  
Bruce and June Hamilton  
Pat & Orland Harrison  
Diane Hebner and Stephen Richards  
Leslie & Allan Hicks  
Dr. Hal Hirte  
Ms. Sharon Howard  
Marvin Jones  
Ron & Brenda Kropf In Memory of son  
Matthew Kropf  
David & Kathy Lincoln  
Roy & Janet Lyons  
Gerry MacCarthy  
Emilienne (Mimi) and Paul Massuet  
Robert & Jane McDowall

Patricia McTaggart  
Elizabeth Newman  
Alan & Sheila O'Brien  
Mr. Daniel Page  
P. Perrault  
Melvina Purdy  
Mrs. Marie Richard  
John W. Ridge, M.D.  
The Schopf-Loach Family  
Camillo Silvestri  
Gary Smith  
Ofelia Spycher  
Rick Sterne  
Grace Stevens  
In honour of my mother,  
Florence Tebbutt  
Joan Thompson  
Roy Thompson  
Teena Wheeler  
Alexis White  
Donald & Lenise Willard  
Ronald J. Zabrok

We are grateful to the individuals listed who designated a legacy gift to Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation as part of their estate. Through their careful planning and consideration we realized these gifts, either in part or in whole in 2016. We are honoured to acknowledge their generosity and its lasting impact.

Frank Agro  
Bernice Marion Anderson  
Robert Dennis Beatty  
Joyce Clark  
Tim Conroy  
Madell Cox  
Mary Dianne Crawley  
Barbara Jean Ellingham  
Joseph M. Gagnon  
Florence G. Proctor Garland  
Ernest Humphries

Carol E. Jackson  
John Rogerson Jackson  
Katarina Kiraly  
Ivan Lamb  
Johannis B. Langenberg  
Marjorie Lavery  
Charles Edward Manser  
Janet Marusaik  
Edward Masters  
James McKnight  
Stephanie A. McManus

Ramiben L. Patel  
Elisabeth M. Prinsen  
Bernard Schatz  
Jeanne Sylvia Scott  
Donald Murray Sproule  
Thomas Stockwell  
Hollyce Deanna Walsh  
Mary Frances Walsh  
Ann Wesselius  
Robert Wilson

## EXPERIENCE

### ENGAGING PATIENTS IN THE CANCER JOURNEY

The Oncology Advanced Practice Nursing Program (OAPN) at Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre is leading the way, thanks in part to the support of the Lewis and Ruth Sherman Foundation.

From 2013 to 2016, OAPN completed the first Canadian cancer-related study to examine the role of health professionals in enabling patients to be more engaged in the management of their cancer, while also reducing their pain and anxiety.

The study led to the development of a tool for identifying and categorizing the existing types

of self-management resources used throughout the cancer journey. The tool is anticipated to be implemented in cancer centres across the province. Other highlights include 20 published peer-reviewed papers and OAPN Director Dr. Denise Bryant-Lukosius presenting her team's research at conferences in Hong Kong.

Upon learning that the original gift had a significant impact on the patient experience, the Lewis and Ruth Sherman Foundation made an additional \$490,000 donation to fund the next phase of OAPN's research.



### SOMETHING TO SMILE ABOUT

A \$50,000 donation from Green Shield Canada is ensuring that more patients at St. Peter's Hospital have access to professional dental care.

This donation, which will be gifted over a two-year period, has funded a dental hygienist and supplies needed to provide bedside dental care. This has been particularly beneficial for patients with mobility issues who would experience difficulty visiting the dentist's office, as well as inpatients without financial resources for regular dental care.

Thanks to this new program, Dr. Laszlo Szoke and his team are able to help increase patients' self-esteem and well-being through improved dental health.





## SIGNATURE EVENTS SUPPORTING THE SPECTRUM OF CARE

The Foundation unites patients, staff and the community every year by hosting its signature fundraising events. We thank all participants and sponsors for helping us raise funds to enhance the patient experience across Hamilton Health Sciences.

### MacKids Walk & Wheel

A beloved attraction at the fifth birthday of *MacKids Walk & Wheel* was the Teddy Bear Hospital, generously sponsored by RBC Financial Group. Child Life Specialists used teddy bears to teach children and youth about the hospital experience and how equipment is used in patient care.

“As Child Life specialists, our role has its roots in helping children cope, and this event enables us to provide a safe, therapeutic, hands-on learning environment where the children are in control,” says Tracy Akitt, Clinical Leader, Child Life Services.

We are appreciative of Mercedes-Benz Burlington’s continuing support as the presenting partner.

### Miracle Plane Pull

With support from Laurentide Kitchens & Bath and Tip Top Towing, the fourth annual *Miracle Plane Pull* featured 30 teams testing their strength by pulling a 125,000 lb Boeing 727 across the tarmac for 25 feet. Congratulations to first place finishers 5 Star Fitness for their amazing time of 11.4 seconds!

### Strides for The General

Presenting sponsor Medtronic joined Patient Ambassadors Michèle Crosby, Dave Nash, Kimberlee Taplay and Steve McDonnell in hosting the sixth annual *Strides for The General*. Proceeds from *Strides* have enabled the purchase of more than 40 pieces of essential equipment for Hamilton General Hospital and the Regional Rehabilitation Centre.

### Walk Around the Block

Patients, the community and staff at St. Peter’s Hospital travelled back in time to the 1960s at *Walk Around the Block*, a fundraising event that was fun for all ages.





## EXPERIENCE



### INNOVATION IN BEHAVIOURAL HEALTH

For 20 years, the annual *Mason's Beef and Corn Roast* has raised funds for dementia and Alzheimer's research and programs, with the goal of enhancing the lives of patients in the Behavioural Health Program at St. Peter's Hospital.

Proceeds from the 20th annual event supported the Ambient Activity Program. Using interactive consoles designed to function like everyday activities, patients complete tasks such as placing groceries in a kitchen cupboard. This practice helps promote tranquility and stimulates the procedural memory of patients with dementia.

### BRIDGING COMMUNICATION GAPS

Teams at the Regional Rehabilitation Centre are integrating donor-funded tablets into Speech-Language Pathology treatment to help patients regain their communication abilities. Patients' cognitive skills are often impaired following a stroke or acquired brain injury. Specific apps have been designed to help improve speech, reading, writing and auditory comprehension for this patient population. When not working with a speech-language pathologist, the apps can be downloaded onto personal devices, allowing patients to use the apps independently or with family member support.





## BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOUR

Wearing jeans is more than a fashion choice for staff at St. Peter's Hospital – it is a means to help patients return to their homes. *Jeans for a Means* is a payroll deduction program that gives staff permission to wear casual clothing on Fridays. Proceeds support the Good Neighbour Fund, which helps purchase amenities for patients who are unable to afford them. Patients like Hiep Hoang, who suffered a stroke in 2015, now have the necessary equipment needed for continuing their recovery at home.



## REDUCING THE PAIN OF SPASTICITY

The physical and emotional pain of cerebral palsy was a challenge for 24-year-old Dale Geiss. Some of this pain results from spasticity, a condition caused by muscles permanently contracting. The team in the Comprehensive Spasticity Management Program (CSMP) at the Regional Rehabilitation Centre helped Dale achieve something he thought impossible – to walk in an upright position. Generous donors enabled The Foundation to match contributions from Allergan to support more than 2,000 patients annually who receive care in the CSMP. Dr. Shanker Nesathurai, Chief, Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, says that “many patients with neurological disorders such as stroke or cerebral palsy experience spasticity; this causes stiffness, pain and reduced independence. We work to help improve patients’ quality of life.”

## A HELPING HAND TO PATIENTS IN NEED

The effects of a serious trauma can be devastating for patients. Recovery can be hampered by the cost of equipment or support services if the patient has either insufficient or limited insurance coverage. The partners at Mackesy Smye LLP identified this issue with their clients and recognized that more patients must be in the same situation. Through their generosity a fund was created that enables clinical teams, including social workers, to arrange in-home assessments or applications for needs-based funding to aid patients requiring equipment ranging from proper shower safety bars to custom-fit walkers.



# EXPERIENCE



## CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY FUNDRAISERS

Great things can happen when the community joins together. More than 343 special events were held in support of The Foundation and our hospital sites. Below is a sample of the variety of events hosted on our behalf:

### Rock 'n' Roll to the Tune of Health Care

The East Hamilton Lions Club, motivated by President Pat Temple and members Tom Joy and Dave Buckles, organized a rock 'n' roll tribute concert and a golf tournament, raising \$4,000 in support of the Burn Unit at Hamilton General Hospital.

### What a Drag

Thanks to the efforts of event organizer Rob Holtz and event planner Andrew Briggs, the fifth annual *What a Drag* fundraiser in November saw drag queens and kings from across Ontario and New York raising \$1,800 to support priority needs at McMaster Children's Hospital.

### Scoring a Goal for Burn Victims

WINMAR Property Restoration Specialists - Burlington/Hamilton/Milton partnered with the Hamilton Bulldogs to raise funds in support of the Burn Unit at The General, raising more than \$2,800.

### Golfing In Honour of Mike

The family of Mike Gatto, who passed away from multiple myeloma, hosted the first annual *Mike Gatto Memorial Golf Tournament*, which grossed nearly \$50,000 for the *Tomorrow Stems From You* campaign.

### Bottle Drive for Cancer Care

The Beer Store and its employees at all Hamilton and Burlington locations held their second annual bottle drive, raising more than \$20,000 in support of the *Tomorrow Stems From You* campaign.





### Caring for Little Kidneys

Inspired by their daughter Kayla's experience with near-fatal kidney failure, Charlotte and Tim Blevins initiated the *Caring for Little Kidneys Campaign* and hosted several events as they work toward raising the \$650,000 required to build a new dialysis clinic at McMaster Children's Hospital.

### The Road2Hope

The Foundation was once again a charity partner with the *Hamilton Marathon Road2Hope*, with participants bringing in more than \$9,100 for priority needs across Hamilton Health Sciences. One participant was Teri Polesky from Nakina, Ontario, who travelled 1,200 kilometres to Hamilton General Hospital to receive treatment for her stage IV endometriosis.

### A Race Like No Other

Rebecca Skafffeld and Chris Burley from the Niagara Region rose to the challenge and journeyed to Ohio for the intense *Reebok Spartan Beast Race*, choosing The Foundation as their charity of choice and raising more than \$1,800 in support of the *Essentials for Excellence* campaign.



## WORKING TOGETHER TO HELP CHILDREN AND YOUTH

The largest single-site inpatient pediatric mental health program in Canada is housed at McMaster Children's Hospital. To provide more complete and holistic care, partial proceeds from LCBO's *Giving Back in Our Community* campaign, which raised more than \$590,000 in 2016, will provide additional support to this vital program. The remaining proceeds will support investments for much-needed equipment.





# EXPERIENCE



## HELPING MIRACLES HAPPEN

Children's Miracle Network (CMN) partners continued their remarkable support of McMaster Children's Hospital Foundation.

The support of all Dairy Queen (DQ) franchisees on *Miracle Treat Day*, as well as a \$5,000 gift from the *Dairy Queen Ontario Franchisees Golf Tournament*, helped enable the purchase of vital equipment. The ongoing commitment of the Waterdown and Oakville's Hayes Blvd. locations, which together raised more than \$20,000, is greatly appreciated.

Walmart, Costco and Air Canada Foundation's generous gifts support our highest priority needs. Each organization takes a different approach to raising funds. For Walmart, the Champion's program is one way to inspire associates to engage with customers during their annual campaign. "My favourite part of being the 2016 Champion presented by Walmart was meeting all the other Champions from across North America and being able to represent McMaster Children's Hospital at lots of events," says Sarah Stephens. For Costco, its annual balloon campaign took on new meaning for the St. Catharines warehouse location, as an employee's child had just been diagnosed with cancer and was being cared for at McMaster Children's Hospital.

RE/MAX brokerages and agents raised funds through their *Month of Miracles* campaign. It was an honour to present RE/MAX Escarpment Realty Inc. with an award acknowledging "20 Years of Giving."

TD Bank Group grew its annual campaign with new fundraising events at various branches including the *Hits for Hope Volleyball Tournament*.

Thank you to all Children's Miracle Network partners for their ongoing support.



## 2016 CHILDREN'S MIRACLE NETWORK PARTNERS

Air Canada Foundation  
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# CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SPECIAL EVENTS

We are fortunate to have many community and corporate partners. The following represents a list of our many loyal partners who host events and fundraise on our behalf. Thank you for your efforts.

- 10 Years in Holland  
11 Division Charity Golf Tournament  
50th Year Anniversary - The Ragged Edges  
A & A Discount Auto Parts Ltd.  
A Passion for Living  
Absolute Pilates  
Acumen Insurance Charity Golf Tournament  
Addison's Dream - Addison Smith-Prickett & Exporior Financial Group Inc.  
Alivia's Rainbows  
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The Amethyst Gala  
An Evening of Awareness  
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Ancaster High School  
Anchor Bar  
As Sobrevivientes (formally Angriaccio de Fundos Para a Luta Contro o Cancro)  
The Association of Day Care Operators of Ontario  
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Avin Gupta Dentistry Professional Corporation  
b.r.a.i.n.child McMaster Children's Hospital  
Bishop Tonnos Catholic Secondary School  
Black and White with a Touch of Pink  
Bottles for Boobs  
The Boutique  
Brady Fraser Memorial Golf Tournament  
BRIGHTRUN  
Bruno DeLuca Memorial Golf Tournament  
Buchanan Park School  
Buffalo Wild Wings  
Bunge Canada Hamilton  
C.F.F. Stainless Steels Inc.  
Calabrese Family & Friends  
Canada Post - Employees  
Canadian Bearings Charity Golf Tournament  
Cancraft Marketing  
Cardinal Newman Catholic Secondary School  
Care for Cure - Zoe's Fundraiser  
Caring for Little Kidneys  
Cassidy's Easter Egg Hunt  
Cathedral High School  
Chartwell Georgian Retirement Residence  
Children's Cancer & Leukemia Tournament  
the CHIVE Hamilton  
Christmas Collage  
Christopher & Filipe Cadete Memorial Golf Tournament  
Climb for Cancer  
Coast to Coast Against Cancer Foundation  
Columbia International College  
The Cooperators (Cambridge) Kim Filer  
Corpus Christi Catholic School  
Craig Matthew Persia Foundation  
Craig Warren Memorial Tournament  
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Dariva Jewellery Ltd.  
Davan Kids Clothing  
Davis Family Golf Tournament  
Dianne Baboth Memorial Golf Tournament  
Dillon Consulting  
District A, B & C Masonic Beef and Corn Roast  
Donnici Social Club  
Duff Classic  
Dundas Granite Masters  
Employees of Canada Post  
FABRIS  
Family and Friends Fundraiser for Cancer Research  
Federazione Abruzzese District of Hamilton  
Fight Riley Fight  
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Flamboro Valley Camping Resort Ltd.  
FUSE  
Gaming Dads  
Gascho Trucking Inc.  
Gatestone Elementary School  
Gentlemen's Charity  
Get Your Pink On/Dolce Rooftop  
Glanbrook Rangers Minor Atom Rep Team  
Glenwood Garage Sale  
Global Premier Soccer U10 Boys  
Golfi Concrete & Drain Limited  
Golfing Fore Kids, Iron Workers Local 736  
Gord Armes & Bill Hamilton Memorial Golf Tournament  
Grimsby Fire Fighters Assoc.  
Guardian Angels Catholic Elementary School  
Hagersville Elementary School  
Hair For Care  
Haldimand Paramedic Service  
Halton Regional Police Association  
Dr. C. Hamielec Medicine  
Hamilton Bull Dogs  
The Hamilton City Hub Hockey League  
Hamilton Discount Auto Parts  
Hamilton East Lions Club  
Hamilton Football Association  
Hamilton General Hospital, Burn Unit Staff  
Hamilton Health Sciences Volunteer Association  
Hamilton Hotrod Hobbies/Karter Kick Back  
Hamilton Marathon Road2Hope  
Hamilton Tiger-Cats  
Harbour Estates Winery  
Vicky Harrison  
Henderson Structured Settlements  
Hike the Trails for Cancer  
HMECU  
Holy Spirit School  
Hook, Line & Sinkers  
Horror Hotel  
Huntington Park Public School  
Ice Makers Open  
Imperial Oil  
Investors Group - Burlington  
Ironhaws M.C.  
Iroquois Ridge High School  
The Islamic School of Hamilton  
Ivanhoe Cambridge Inc - Mapleview Shopping Centre  
Ron E. Jackson  
Janis Fillion Memorial Walk  
Jay's Drive For MD  
Jenna Rose Stark Memorial Golf Tournament  
Jo Thorman Golf Tournament  
Karizma Jewels  
Karma Candy Inc.  
The Keg Steakhouse & Bar - Hamilton  
The Keg Steakhouse & Bar - Waterdown  
Kids Kingdom  
Leanne Kiely  
Kingsway 5 Pin Bowlers Assoc. Warren Cullen  
Knot a Breast  
Kool Stuff Toys  
Kory 3 Pitch League Ball Tournament  
Leggat Auto Group  
LemonTree Fashion Jewellery  
Lincoln Alexander School  
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Long & McQuade Musical Instruments  
Lucchetta Homes - Summer Sizzle BBQ  
Lucy's Fashions  
Lynne's Legacy Run  
Marz Homes  
Mateo's Green Jacket Memorial Golf Tournament  
Paige McDermott  
McDonald's Restaurants  
McMaster Medical School Students  
Mechanical Contractors Association - Hamilton  
Mercanti Memorial Golf Tournament  
Michael Iampietro Memorial Golf Tournament  
Mike Gatto Memorial Golf Tournament  
Millennium Events - Bombardieri Family & Friends  
Ministry Of Transportation Road Safety Campaign  
Mission Double Big Mac  
Mother's Day Brunch  
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sciarra (Family and Friends)  
Murdoch Mysteries Experience  
My Warrior Princess  
National Money Mart Co. #1034  
Natural Steps  
Nelly Comfort Shoes  
Nexeo Solutions  
Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority  
NiLi  
Norwood Park School  
The Null Hypothesis  
OPSEU Local 253  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
Party For Pain  
Patricia Soriano Memorial Golf Tournament  
Pink Night Dream Team  
Pioneer Energy LP - Give What You Can  
Rainbows & Stars - Aleksa's Journey  
RBC Foundation  
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The Reebok Spartan Beast Race -Chris Burley  
The Reebok Spartan Beast Race -Rebecca Skafield  
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Rock 'n Blues for Children's Causes  
Rotary Club of Flamborough A.M.  
Rousseaux Public School  
Royal LePage  
Ryan Devlin's Hoover Marina Mania  
Ryan Hassim Baseball Tournament  
Samantha Watson's Toy Drive  
Sassip Boutique  
Scenic Woods Golf & Country Club  
Scotiabank Smiles for MacKids  
Sears Canada Inc. (Community Investment)  
Sherry Sugar Bears Dance  
Shoppers Drug Mart  
Sian Bradwell Fund for Children With Cancer  
Sir Wilfrid Laurier School  
Slate Properties  
Sobey's Inc  
Southern Ontario Giant Scale  
Spencer Spirit Holdings, Inc.  
St. Clare of Assisi School  
St. Elizabeth Catholic High School  
St. Margaret Mary Catholic School  
St. Marks Co-Operative Preschool  
St. Mary's School  
St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Elementary School  
St. Thomas More Catholic Secondary School  
Star Riders of Ontario  
The Stewart Family  
Strike Out Cancer Slo Pitch Tournament  
Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic School  
Sunningdale Public School  
Sunshine Enterprises  
Sydney Wood Purple Butterfly of Hope Foundation  
T.R.L. Investments Limited  
Tait Street Public School  
Tanglewood School  
Templemead School  
Terry & Mario's Annual Charity Golf Tournament  
Tim Hortons #WarmWishes Campaign  
Tim Hortons Donuts  
Tony (The Bandito) Valerio Memorial Car Show  
Tournament for Lenny, On The Snap Billards and Lounge  
Toyota Motor Manufacturing Canada Inc.  
UA Local 67 Show & Shine Poker Run  
UFCW Local 12R24 Bottle Drive  
Venetian Club of Hamilton  
Westdale Warriors Football Team  
What A Drag  
Bobbi Williams  
The Winchester Arms  
Zac Rinaldo's Fight for a Cause  
The Zoetic Theatre and Creative Arts Company

# PLACES



"Now that I have a brighter tomorrow, I appreciate all of the important things in life with my beautiful wife, my wonderful daughters and our amazing dog."

**Mike Losak**  
Hamilton



"I am living a normal life and looking forward to tomorrow, which is incredible because I never thought I would be able to do that."

**Maddie, Burlington**



"I'm going to be here tomorrow as a wife and a mom thanks to my stem cell transplant."

**Cassandra Wadham**  
Burlington



"Thanks to my stem cell transplant, I feel good about tomorrow and the future. I can spend more valuable time with my family."

**Tim Maloney**  
Burlington



"This expansion will allow us as clinicians to provide the best care for more stem cell transplant patients in an environment that is designed and built with both their physical and emotional needs in mind."

**Dr. Kylie Lepic**  
Hematologist

## TOMORROW STEMS FROM YOU

Time is of the essence. Every day, more adults need a life-saving stem cell transplant to treat blood cancers. This is why the Foundation launched the \$3.5-million *Tomorrow Stems From You* campaign.

Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre is just one of three centres in Ontario providing all forms of stem cell transplants to adult cancer patients. The campaign is needed to enable the expansion of a dedicated and specialized clinical space, and to purchase essential equipment, so that 50 per cent

more cancer patients can be provided with this potentially life-saving treatment.

Spearheading this campaign is a Cabinet chaired by Charles Criminisi, including Jon Jurus, Frank Raso, Marita Zaffiro and Dr. Kylie Lepic. We are one step closer to making the new unit a reality, thanks to support from individuals, corporations, community groups and granting foundations.

Thank you to everyone who is helping us on this journey to give more cancer patients a tomorrow.



To watch a news series on the stem cell program, visit [hamiltonhealth.ca/stemseries](http://hamiltonhealth.ca/stemseries)





## THE ROAD TO RECOVERY

More than 160 patients a year will benefit from the renovated Restorative Care Gym at St. Peter's Hospital. The upgrades were enabled by Gertrud Taunton's generous \$100,000 donation.

## RELAY FOR LIFE

Patients undergoing treatment in the Interventional Radiology Program will be experiencing procedures that are safer, quicker, less painful and more precise, thanks to *Relay for Life* participants and fundraisers. In partnership with the Canadian Cancer Society, the event featured 33 Juravinski Hospital and Cancer

Centre teams raising more than \$133,600. Funds will support the redevelopment of the Interventional Radiology Suite, which will enable the team to provide better treatment for patients requiring life-saving interventions and those with benign tumours.





# PLACES

## HYBRID OPERATING SUITE - COMING SOON!

Shorter surgical times, faster recovery and less pain will be just some of the benefits cardiac and vascular patients will experience once the new Hybrid Operating Suite at Hamilton General Hospital is complete in 2018. The Foundation completed its \$3-million fundraising campaign, thanks to many donors including those making future pledge payments. We extend a special thank you to campaign chair Dr. Jacques Tittley and his colleagues on the cardiac and vascular teams for their support.

While many donors have contributed to the campaign, Joel and Betsy Ippolito hosted a fundraising event with friends and family to help us close the campaign earlier than planned. We are appreciative of a transformational gift from Ronald V. Joyce and The Joyce Family Foundation and contributions from several long-standing supporters.



## HELPING OTHERS IS THE BEST THANK YOU

Inspired by the care provided to residents and staff, and impressed by the dedicated and skilled teams across Hamilton Health Sciences, the St. Elizabeth Home Society has been a loyal supporter of The Foundation since 2011. With a long history in Hamilton, the Society was founded by Sister Elisabeth who left the ravages of post-war Europe to help the sick, elderly and infirm in Canada. She eventually established one of Canada's first retirement communities, which grew to include St. Elizabeth Village. We are grateful for the Society's generous support.





## EMPLOYEES GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND

Staff across Hamilton Health Sciences play a critical role in the patient experience. We are tremendously thankful for the thousands of employees who support The Foundation annually. Whether by participating in our events, donating through payroll deduction or joining the *Winning Wednesday's 50/50 Staff Lottery*, these cumulative contributions of Hamilton Health Sciences employees have a huge impact on patient care. Their support enables equipment acquisitions, education and bursaries, research, and redevelopment initiatives.

One such employee is Gary Thomson, a Health Care Aide in the Post Anesthetic Care Unit at McMaster University Medical Centre, who has supported the hospital through payroll deductions since 1990.

"At Hamilton Health Sciences, we treat our patients and each other like family," explains Gary. "I know my ongoing payroll deductions will be used wisely by The Foundation to help provide our staff with the best tools and environment needed to provide the best care for our patients."



## A PASSION FOR HEALTH CARE EXCELLENCE

Born and raised in Hamilton, Brenda Flaherty has dedicated nearly four decades to ensuring health care excellence for the region through her work at Hamilton Health Sciences. Brenda's career in health care began when she joined the hospital working in the Emergency Department as a newly graduated nurse.

Brenda has served Hamilton Health Sciences in many capacities over the years – as Associate Director of Nursing, Vice-President Patient Services, Site Administrator for Henderson General Hospital and Hamilton General Hospital, and Chief Operating Officer.

A highly regarded visionary, Brenda has also served on national and provincial expert panels for clinical services, and as a teacher and mentor she has fostered the next generation of health care providers. For these and many other notable achievements, Brenda was inducted into the Hamilton Gallery of Distinction in 2016.

"Over the years I've seen Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation play a major role in ensuring outstanding patient care," says Brenda. "That's why I'm a donor myself."

The Foundation sends a heartfelt thank you to Brenda for her tremendous service and support.



## PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER - OUR STAFF TEAM



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## A MESSAGE FROM HAMILTON HEALTH SCIENCES BOARD CHAIR, NORM COL AND PRESIDENT AND CEO, ROB MACISAAC

Thank you for supporting the life-changing health care and research of Hamilton Health Sciences.

We are Ontario's most comprehensive, specialty care hospital, which means we're here for every aspect of your life's journey. From birth to end-of-life, we are your community hospital and we are also one of the province's most relied-upon destinations for health expertise.

Hamilton Health Sciences has a focused vision – to provide the best care for all. This requires uncompromising compassion and respect for every one of our patients and families, and it also requires ongoing investment in the technology and expertise in our hospitals. We are working to deliver the best care today, and at the same time we are investing to ensure exceptional care for the future. And with your support, we're making progress. Our research teams have become world leaders in the race to understand the causes, potential treatments and cures for some of life's biggest medical challenges.

Every year, our health care teams, doctors and staff receive awards and recognitions for excellence and quality, but the biggest vote of confidence we can receive is your support. Thank you for making a difference with your gifts.



**Norm Col**  
Board Chair  
Hamilton Health Sciences



**Rob MacIsaac**  
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## THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

The time and talent that volunteers provide to our work is very much appreciated. We are pleased to pay tribute to those who have served in various capacities supporting: Hamilton General Hospital Foundation, Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre Foundation, McMaster Children's Hospital Foundation and St. Peter's Hospital Foundation.

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EQUIPMENT  
**\$5.45M** | 40%



RESEARCH & FELLOWSHIPS  
**\$3.13M** | 23%



**\$13.65M**  
DISBURSED\*

**\$0.42M** | 3%  
EDUCATION & BURSARIES

34% | **\$4.65M**  
REDEVELOPMENT

\*Our audited financial statements are available on our website and also by contacting Sandra Wilson, Chief Financial Officer at 905-521-2100 ext. 44385 or at wilsonsan@hhsc.ca



# 2016 CONSOLIDATED FINANCIALS

In 2016, Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation was pleased to disburse \$13.65 million to support patient care at Hamilton Health Sciences. Based on both identified priorities and opportunities that arise, the breakdown of how donor dollars are spent varies each year. There are many pieces to the puzzle that makes up the picture of your support, as demonstrated throughout this report. The illustration and details below provide just a high-level snapshot.

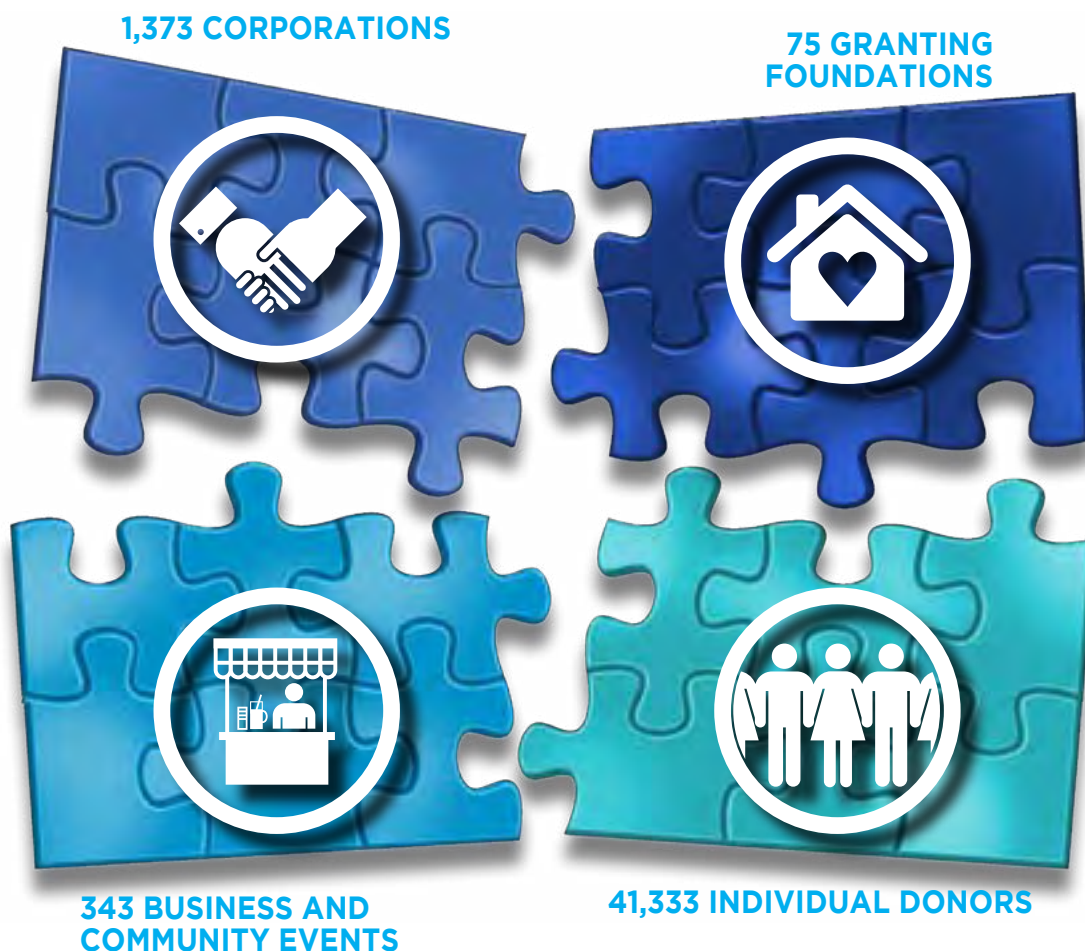
**Equipment** – Each year we purchase hundreds of pieces of equipment. The type of equipment can range from small but essential items, such as IV poles and specialized chairs, to more complex and larger items such as a chemotherapy robot or a biplane angiogram machine.

**Research and Fellowships** – The range of support for research spans the spectrum of awards that provide seed funding for researchers early in their careers to the more extensive support provided to Chairholders.

**Redevelopment** – From modifying a patient lounge to upgrades in the Interventional Radiology Suite it is important that both patients and care teams have the right environment for safety, care and comfort.

**Education and Bursaries** – Rapidly changing technology, skills upgrades and continuing education are an essential part of quality health care and these awards support important educational opportunities for individuals and teams.

## HOW THE PUZZLE CAME TOGETHER:



UNITED BY ONE GOAL: *HEALTH CARE, TRANSFORMED.*



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## OUR MISSION

Our mission is to raise funds and manage donor gifts for the purpose of supporting outstanding clinical care and research for the communities served by Hamilton Health Sciences.

## OUR VISION

A community fully embracing the importance of health, while enabling excellence in philanthropy and the achievement of our goal of *Health Care, Transformed.*

## OUR VALUES

The Foundation believes that relationships and partnership are the basis of excellence in fundraising. Therefore we will:

- Treat all donors, the Hospital and others with integrity, respect and appreciation
- Be accountable to our donors and the community
- Encourage creativity and innovation in our activities

**Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation** is a registered charitable organization which includes Hamilton General Hospital Foundation, Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre Foundation, McMaster Children's Hospital Foundation, St. Peter's Hospital Foundation and all of their associated programs. Through the generosity of our donors, we fund capital redevelopment projects, purchase medical equipment and technology, and invest in research and education.



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