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City's Gift Improves Patient Care And Women's Health at Cambridge Memorial Hospital

Cambridge, ON – Last night, Cambridge's Mayor and Council learned the impact of the City's \$400,000 investment in medical equipment at Cambridge Memorial Hospital (CMH). Patrick Gaskin, CMH president and CEO and Lisa Short, executive director of the Foundation shared a list of new and replacement equipment the hospital is purchasing with the investment, highlighting various enhancements to patient care.

Not only will these purchases benefit thousands, they provide the hospital with the means to open a new clinic for Women's Health.

The twenty pieces of equipment have already made an impact to a number of hospital programs and services, including Women and Children, Surgical Daycare, Endoscopy, Labour and Delivery, and the Regional Anesthesia Program. "Our City's generosity has allowed us to purchase equipment that is at this time benefiting many patients," said Gaskin. "This will enhance the health and wellbeing of future generations in Cambridge." The equipment list includes ultrasound machines, a colonoscope, birthing bed, newborn care centre, and flexible cystoscopes.

One of the key benefits to women's health will be the opening of a new Urodynamics Clinic that provides diagnosis, care and treatment in female pelvic medicine. Led by recently recruited Dr. Kristin Wadsworth, this clinic is slated to open this September.

Mayor Kathryn McGarry was pleased to hear how the City's investment will make an immediate impact on local healthcare: "This Council understands the importance of having cutting-edge medical equipment available for our healthcare providers to do their work. It is an investment that goes beyond our hospital. It is one that improves our community's health and wellbeing; and helps us attract and retain high quality medical professionals to our city.."

Short added: "We were thrilled to share this with the Mayor and Council. This gift demonstrates how generosity can make a real difference in our community. In Ontario, all medical equipment is purchased through community donations. By highlighting the benefits of this investment, our hope is this goodwill gets amplified and spreads throughout our community. Our visions are quite similar. We all want to make Cambridge a better and healthier place to call home."

A complete list of equipment purchases made by the City's gift can be found [here](#).

About Cambridge Memorial Hospital Foundation

The Cambridge Memorial Hospital Foundation is a team of dedicated people who are passionately committed to raising funds for the Cambridge Memorial Hospital in order to provide exceptional healthcare to Cambridge, North Dumfries and surrounding communities.

About CMH

Cambridge Memorial Hospital traces its roots to 1888, when the region's first community hospital, known as Galt Hospital, opened its doors to treat patients in a localized health care setting. It is an acute care hospital offering a full complement of services including surgery, maternity, laboratory, diagnostics and emergency. It employs over 1,100 dedicated and skilled health care professionals, technicians and staff, 280 physicians and 500 volunteers providing exceptional care to the residents of Cambridge, the township of North Dumfries and the Region of Waterloo. For more information, visit www.cmh.org.

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