

Donor Highlight

The Maxwell and Ruth Leroy Foundation

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In order to deliver world-class health care, the staff at Stevenson Memorial Hospital use a variety of equipment, ranging from x-ray machines to defibrillators. One of the most important devices our teams use are cardiac monitors, machines that almost all of us are familiar with as a piece of equipment that monitors your heart rate and allows for continuous and, in some cases, long-term care for our patients.

These pieces of equipment are essential in providing our community with the care it needs.

That's why the Stevenson Memorial Hospital Foundation is extremely grateful for a gift of \$124,095 from the Maxwell and Ruth Leroy Foundation for the purchase of five new cardiac monitors.

The Maxwell and Ruth Leroy Foundation has a long history of granting effective, meaningful gifts across Ontario. While the Foundation grants an incredible \$1 million each year, they choose their recipients differently than most organizations.

Rather than accepting unsolicited proposals, directors from the Maxwell and Ruth Leroy Foundation do their due diligence. They visit organizations who could benefit from their support, learn about them, and witness their impact firsthand.

This means speaking with staff, realizing the needs of doctors and nurses, and understanding the needs of those who will benefit from their gift.

The Foundation also focuses on funding equipment purchases. While the cost of life-saving equipment can range from tens of thousands up to millions of dollars, hospitals in smaller communities struggle to replace outdated devices. That means staff have to deal with old, troublesome machines just to do their jobs and provide care to their community.

But the Maxwell and Ruth Leroy Foundation loves working with smaller organizations, like the Stevenson Memorial Hospital Foundation.

"Larger organizations do incredible work," says Gary Sim, a director at the Maxwell and Ruth Leroy Foundation, "but smaller hospitals are more appreciative of gifts and make donations go much further."

That's because it's not the prestige of having the latest equipment or reporting the largest numbers in the province that drives hospitals like Stevenson. Instead, it's our connection to the community and the passion to deliver the best care possible that makes our hospital stand out.

We cannot thank the Maxwell and Ruth Leroy Foundation enough for their generosity. Not only will this gift provide new equipment, but it will ensure our community's residents will have the care they need, when they need it.

"New Tecumseth is one of the fastest-growing communities in Ontario" says Sim. "It is blessed to have a group of caring, professional, accountable individuals to provide medical care and foster and steward these gifts. But this is just a start. The same community that benefits from Stevenson Memorial Hospital must support it, too."

If you would like to see the impact of your support or the support of partners like the Maxwell and Ruth Leroy Foundation, please visit www.transformingstevenson.ca.



Mark your Calendars

Streets for Stevenson

The Streets for Stevenson online auction is well underway. This is a very unique fundraiser in support of Stevenson Memorial Hospital Foundation. Participants have the opportunity to bid on up to three streets in New Tecumseth; one in Tottenham, one in Beeton, and one in Alliston. Bids will be accepted until 11:59pm on Friday, March 3, 2023.

For more information on this fundraiser, the Town of New Tecumseth's Street Naming Policy, and to MAKE A BID, visit <http://bit.ly/StreetsForStevenson>

Business and Community Supports



We share our gratitude for Coldwell Banker Ronan Realty in choosing Stevenson Memorial Hospital Foundation to be recipients of a \$5,000 donation from their Annual Golf Tournament.

The Stevenson Memorial Hospital Foundation was thankful for a donation of \$5,000 from the Alliston Lions Club thanks to the "Boyne River Classic Duck Race" community event held in Alliston, September 2022.



We were delighted with the generous \$7,500 donation from the Lorne and Sandy Downey Team, Coldwell Banker Ronan Realty, as part of the Realtor Challenge!

Canadian Tire in Alliston donated \$6,000 from their Toffifee Challenge. Customers purchased boxes of Toffifee during the holiday season and the proceeds, matched by Canadian Tire, were passed on to Stevenson Memorial Hospital Foundation. We were very grateful for their gift!



Spirit of Giving



We would like to thank Lorne & Sandy Downey and all their neighbours who made a "Spirit of Giving" donation by collecting money at their annual holiday gathering.

We want to show our appreciation to Addison Percy, who donated a "Spirit of Giving" gift in January. Money that would have usually been spent on birthday loot bags and decorations, was kindly donated to Stevenson Memorial Hospital Foundation.



In Our Community



Zehrs Alliston was host to Stevenson Memorial Hospital Foundation on Giving Tuesday, November 29, 2022. Businesses and members of the community were able to visit the Foundation at Zehrs and make in-person donations in order to help raise funds towards equipment for the hospital.

We would like to recognize the Rotary Club of Alliston for organizing and hosting the Volunteer Fair on January 21, 2023. It was well received by many local organizations in our community and proved to be a successful event appreciated by all of those who attended.





A round of applause to The Faris Team for sponsoring the Stevenson Memorial Hospital Foundation's float for the 2022 Rotary Club of Alliston's Night Lit Santa Claus Parade. The float was a success thanks to a team effort from The Faris Team, SMH and SMHF staff, SMH Auxiliary, and community volunteers. It was a great time being out in the community spreading awareness and spreading some holiday cheer!

Thank You!!!

Because of you, and a transformational gift from The Morningview Foundation, **\$1 MILLION** has become **\$2 MILLION** invested in our community hospital!



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We couldn't have done this without YOU!
We want to thank our community for supporting us with your generous gifts!