



NANAIMO & DISTRICT HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

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Message from the Board Chair, Greg Scott

On behalf of the Board of Directors, thank you to our donors for their generosity and commitment to improving healthcare on the central island. With your support, the Foundation has made a tremendous impact on the health of our communities.

We would also like to thank the Foundation staff for striving to make the Nanaimo & District Hospital Foundation your charity of choice.

We are excited for the year ahead and look forward to working together to provide medical staff with the equipment and resources they need to deliver excellent patient care at the facilities we serve.



Message from the CEO, Janice Perrino

When government funds are not enough to supply the Nanaimo Regional General Hospital (NRGH) and healthcare facilities with all the needed medical equipment, patient comforts and staff education, the Nanaimo & District Hospital Foundation is asked to help bridge the gap.

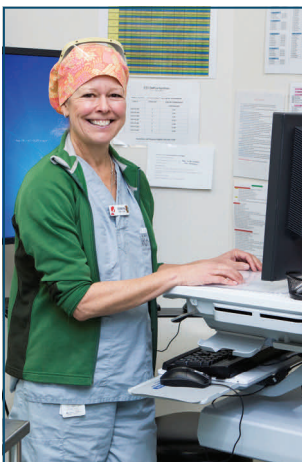
Why is it important? NRGH serves the residents from Bowser to Ladysmith and has the busiest emergency department on the Island. These are our communities and we want to ensure the medical staff has the best equipment possible to care for our families, our friends and ourselves.

We wouldn't be able to serve our hospital without your support through your thoughtful donations, stock transfers and bequests in Wills. Year after year you make it all possible and we can't thank you enough for your incredible dedication!

2018 Board of Directors

Left to right: Greg Scott, Board Chair, Janice Perrino, Hospital Foundation CEO, Philip Birrer, Vice Chair, Leslie Sundby, Ryan Wenner, Moira Jenkins, Treasurer, Heather Popple, Tony Harris, Toni Wheeler, Secretary, Michael Smith, Greg Phillips

The Impact of Giving



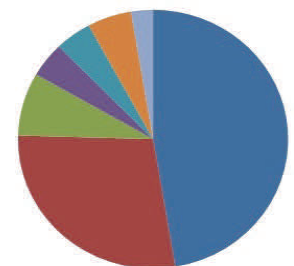
Last year, over **\$2 million** was invested in medical equipment, patient comforts and professional education! Some of the many departments that received funding include:

- Urgent Care
- Intensive Care
- Cardiac Rehab
- Paediatrics
- Ambulatory Clinic
- Operating Rooms
- Ultrasound
- Neurology
- Emergency
- Palliative Care



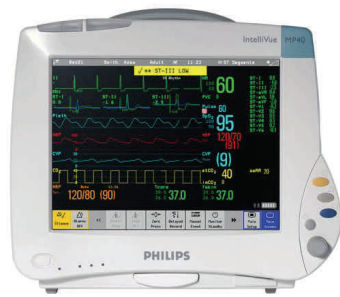
Last year, 210 patients had an echocardiogram stress test at NRGH and there are now up to 10-15 performed per week. Prior to acquiring the echocardiograph machine and bike system (pictured on the next page), patients had to travel to Victoria to get a stress test done. The use of a bicycle vs a treadmill to increase a patient's heart rate offers a safer alternative for those who may faint during exertion and a more comfortable experience for those with knee or hip issues. In addition, the advanced technology avoids exposing younger patients in their 30's and 40's to radiation.

Funds by Donation Group



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- Foundations
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- In Memory

Supporting Excellence in Intensive Care



The Nanaimo Regional General Hospital's Intensive Care Unit (ICU) needs new bedside monitors. These monitors are an integral part of the equipment used by the dedicated ICU staff to ensure our loved ones receive the complex observation and care they require during this difficult time.

We are raising \$350,000 to purchase 7 of the latest, technically advanced monitors for the ICU.

Many vital functions are constantly monitored making this equipment essential for medical staff to immediately determine appropriate treatments, which can be life-saving.

With just 9 beds available, the ICU cares for more than 470 patients every year. Replacing aging equipment is our commitment to maintaining excellence in care for patients at Nanaimo Regional General Hospital. To learn more about how you can donate to this campaign, please contact the Nanaimo & District Hospital Foundation.



Join us on September 7th for the 25th Annual Golf for Life

Sponsored by Coastal Community Private Wealth and Fairwinds Golf Club, the golf tournament has raised close to \$1 million for medical equipment purchases. This year, funds raised will be used towards the purchase of the bedside monitors for the ICU.

To register, contact Brenda at 250-739-5765 or email brenda.rositano@viha.ca

Did You Know?

At NRGH last year:

- 65,000 people were helped at Emergency
- 1,200 babies were delivered
- 16,000 patients were admitted for care
- 12,900 surgeries were performed
- 22,000 CT scans and 9,000 MRIs were provided
- Over 800 knee and hip replacements were done



"We are very proud of our little fighters and of the NICU and its staff. We received such great care so close to home and we are forever grateful for that."

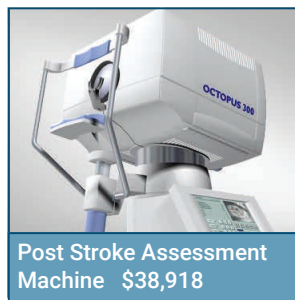
D. Smith, above, whose two sons spent time in the NICU

Equipment Purchases

The Foundation was able to purchase a number of pieces of medical equipment and patient comfort items. Below are a few of those items. Please visit our website for more information.



Portable Ultrasound
\$99,806



Post Stroke Assessment
Machine \$38,918



2 Glidescope Video Laryngoscopes
\$38,918



12 Recovery Patient
Stretchers \$75,338



Echocardiograph Machine & Bike
System \$288,000

"An echocardiograph machine is one of the most commonly used tools in the diagnosis of heart problems as it allows for non-invasive assessment of heart structure and function. The new echocardiograph machine allows for a wide range of tests to be conducted and has a great impact on the degree to which diagnosis of heart complications are effectively discovered by our medical team."

David Wight, Echocardiography Supervisor

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