

# IMPROVING HEALTHCARE WITH YOUR GIFT

## How to Leave a Legacy

Make quality health care a part of your life story. Change lives for generations to come by leaving a gift to support Grey Bruce Health Services' Meaford Hospital in your Estate plan.

Your legacy gift is a testament to what you believe. If you share our vision for quality health care available close to home, you can help ensure our hospital continues to be there for family, friends and neighbours – when they need it most. Leaving a legacy gift is an act that is generous, powerful and surprisingly simple! It enables you to leave a larger gift than would be possible during your lifetime, while staying in control of your assets. A charitable gift in your Estate plan also helps eliminate income tax payable upon your death.

You don't need to be wealthy to help! Your legacy gift of any amount joins together with others to make an incredible future impact. Each gift is treated with the utmost care.

Leaving a legacy is simple. Talk it over with your family and loves ones, then speak with your lawyer about drafting or revisiting your Will, or adding a Codicil.

### Your Legacy Gift to Meaford Hospital Foundation Will:

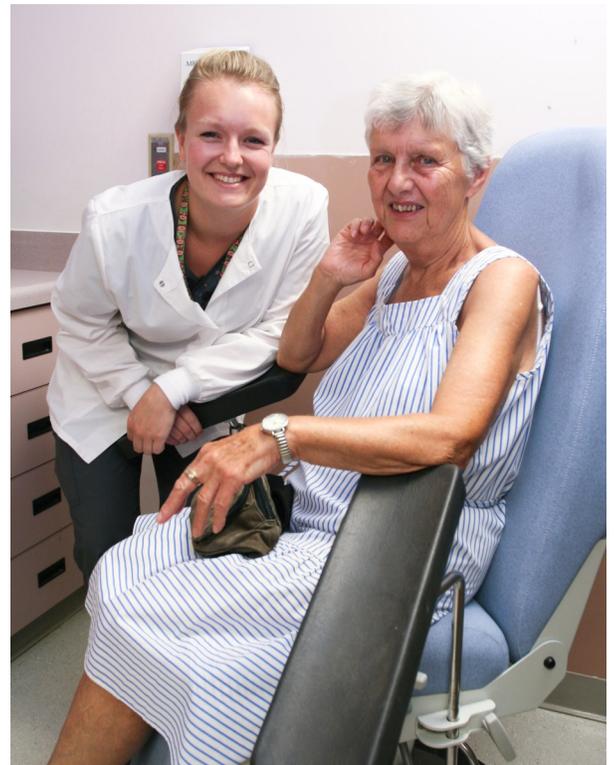
- Provide a stable source of funding to meet the needs of patients for the long term.
- Help purchase life-saving medical equipment – for which the hospital receives little government funding.
- Enable our physicians, nurses and technical staff to provide the best care possible with state of the art diagnostic and medical equipment.
- Help attract the medical professionals we so desperately need in our community.

*Every gift in every Will makes a difference.*

### Ways to Give

There are almost as many ways to make a legacy gift as there are needs to be met! Your donation may be outright, providing funds for immediate use, or it may be planned now for a future date.

- Wills and Bequests
- Property
- Securities
- Charitable Trusts
- Life Insurance
- Endowments
- RSPs and RIFs



## We Can Help!

To find out more about making a Legacy Gift to support GBHS - Meaford Hospital, please contact us. Our Charitable Giving Advisor, Willard VanderPloeg will be delighted to work with you and your advisors to arrange a gift that best suits your goals. You can reach Willard at 519-376-2121 ext. 2736 or via email to [wvanderploeg@gbhs.on.ca](mailto:wvanderploeg@gbhs.on.ca).

Be sure to inform us of your bequest and your wishes. It will give us the opportunity to thank you and to discuss what you hope your gift will help to accomplish. Of course, we will respect your privacy and confidentiality.

## About the Meaford Hospital Foundation:

The Meaford Hospital Foundation was established to raise, receive and manage money for the purpose of purchasing capital equipment and building improvements at Meaford Hospital and Owen Sound Regional Hospital. This role is critical to our hospitals' viability since the government provides almost no funding for equipment. The Foundation contributes between \$300,000 and \$400,000 per year for medical equipment. It is governed by an elected Board of Directors, all of whom are community volunteers.

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*This information provides a brief overview on planning a gift to The Meaford Hospital Foundation. It is general in nature and subject to change according to individual circumstances. You should always consult your own professional advisors for detailed information tailored to your own circumstances and to confirm applicable tax benefits.*