



PERMANENT MRI A MAJOR PLUS FOR PRH

A new \$3-million permanent MRI machine is one of the major additions to Penticton Regional Hospital under its current \$312-million expansion.

The new MRI is scheduled to open in September 2019 for patients throughout the South Okanagan-Similkameen. Previously a mobile MRI van was shared with communities in the Kootenays and was stationed at PRH only two weeks each month. The inclusion of a fixed MRI in Penticton will offer regional patients uninterrupted access to the machine.

MRI is the commonly used acronym for “magnetic resonance imaging” of body tissues which don’t show up in X-rays or other scans.

The inclusion of a permanent MRI at PRH was made possible due to the generosity of the late Penticton businessman/philanthropist David Kampe. It was not part of the original plans for the hospital expansion and his \$3-million donation was not included in the SOS Medical Foundation’s overall \$20-million medical equipment fundraising campaign.

Dr. Stacey Piche, radiologist and medical director of medical imaging at PRH, said the impact of Mr. Kampe’s gift cannot be overstated. “Getting the appropriate imaging examination in a timely fashion can be critical in making the correct diagnosis and initiating lifesaving treatment,” she said.

Dr. Piche added the fixed MRI particularly helps the most vulnerable, including cancer and stroke patients, and children.

“As health care providers and members of this community, we are incredibly grateful for the opportunity to put this medical technology to use helping all patients at PRH and in the South Okanagan-Similkameen.”

Thank you for your support!



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REPORT TO OUR DONORS

Dear Friends,

It has been a wonderful year of generosity from those in our community who have supported having the best healthcare possible. As a result we have made tremendous progress in the last 12 months towards reaching our goal of raising \$20 million for the Penticton Regional Hospital (PRH) expansion.

PRH is a true “regional” hospital which contains specialized services to benefit all our residents, regardless of where they live. The South Okanagan Similkameen Medical Foundation’s mission is “to support the delivery of health services in our region.” This region stretches from Summerland south to Osoyoos and west to Princeton – a very large and diverse area which contains multiple hospitals and medical support facilities.

The SOS Medical Foundation uses donations to purchase medical equipment but we also fund elder care in extended care homes, palliative care, nurses’ training and medical research.

Another area focussed on in 2019 was our Healing Power of Art fund. Art is a significant factor in providing comfort to people as it creates an environment of reflection and thought. Many donors support this and their wishes have been reflected through the impressive creations seen as you stroll through the new David E. Kampe Tower.

Construction of the David E. Kampe Tower was completed in early 2019 and it officially opened to patients on April 29, 2019. It is a state of the art, world-class facility that fully supports our needs. Our medical staff appreciate this new environment where they can perform their jobs and care for patients. A huge Thank You goes out to all our donors for ensuring that together we could deliver on this commitment.

But, of course, construction is not complete at PRH. The renovation of the Emergency Department is just beginning. About \$2.1 million of the \$20 million we are raising is to be used for purchasing new medical equipment for Phase 2 of the PRH expansion – so we still need the community’s continued support!

If there’s one thing we, the staff of the SOS Medical Foundation and our volunteer Board of Directors have learned from the success of the David E. Kampe Tower project, it’s that we can accomplish amazing things when we all pull together toward a common goal.

Thank you,



Gerry Ryan
Chair
SOS Medical Foundation



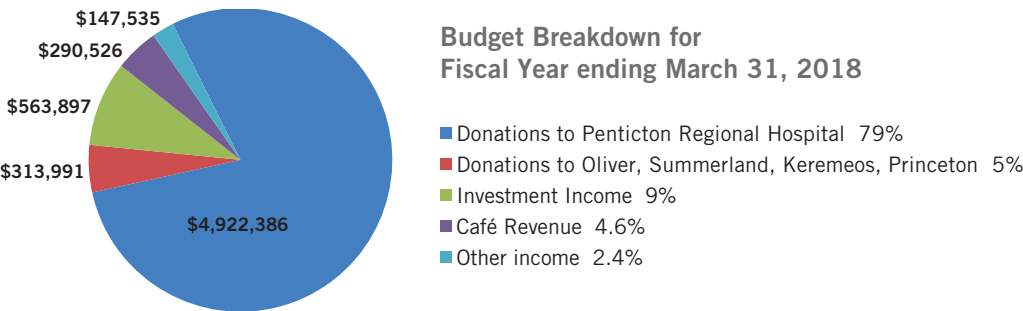
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Fiscal Year End Report, April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019

We are pleased to report revenue for our fiscal year ending March 31, 2019 of \$6,238,335. Revenue came from donations of \$5,236,377 and interest and other income of \$1,001,958. The pie chart below illustrates how monies were used or designated during this time period.

Medical equipment for the current Penticton Regional Hospital expansion is where the largest percentage of donations are being designated. In addition, \$313,991 was donated to healthcare needs in Oliver, Summerland, Princeton and Keremeos as well as other needs in Penticton such as extended and palliative care.



Financial Report – Spending

Year Ending March 31, 2019

This fiscal year the SOS Medical Foundation spent more money on medical equipment than ever before. Since 2015 we have been receiving donations towards the new patient care tower at PRH and much of that money was spent in this past year purchasing equipment for the new state-of-the-art David E. Kampe Tower.

The chart below shows a breakdown of how we spent our money over the past 12 months. Thank you again for the strong support from our community.

How we spent our money over the past 12 months:

Equipment purchases and healthcare needs	\$14,442,492
SOS Café cost of sales	\$142,060
Wages and Benefits	\$444,467
Patient Care Tower campaign	\$146,466
Professional and Merchant fees	\$28,362
Office and postage	\$23,128
Travel and meetings	\$5,336
Other (various)	\$30,440
Total	\$15,262,751



YOUR DONATIONS SHOW DIRECT RESULTS

We would like to sincerely thank all donors to our PRH Tower campaign. Here are some examples of the medical equipment you helped buy.

OR lighting/equipment booms	\$2,054,786
MDR (sterilization) Cart & utensil washer/disinfectory	\$1,474,190
Digital X-Ray equipment	\$942,984
Angiogram system	\$720,187
Vital sign monitors X 84	\$653,084
MDR lift system	\$571,889
Automated medication stations	\$462,696
Urology imaging system	\$457,132
Patient lifts	\$291,947
OR camera	\$273,694
Defibrillators X 6	\$145,779
Rehab equipment	\$73,612
Total for all equipment in Tower	\$17.9 million

* Please note \$2.1 million of the \$20-million PRH campaign was earmarked for the Emergency Department upgrade to be completed by 2021.



PRH DAVID E. KAMPE TOWER OPENS TO GREAT APPLAUSE

April 29, 2019 was truly a day worth celebrating.

After years of political lobbying, planning and construction, Penticton Regional Hospital's new David E. Kampe Tower opened to the public.

An official ribbon-cutting ceremony a couple of weeks earlier brought out dozens of dignitaries, including David Kampe, Health Minister Adrian Dix, local MLAs Dan Ashton and Linda Larson, Interior Health CEO Susan Brown and many more.

The moment wasn't lost on Mr. Kampe, who after battling personal health issues for years, passed away May 8 – just 10 days after the tower's opening.

"The development of Penticton Regional Hospital is near and dear to my heart, having lived and worked in the South Okanagan for my entire life," he said. "Being able to support the hospital project is a great honour."

Although David Kampe was by far the biggest donor to the hospital, hundreds of other people also stepped forward and donated to the SOS Medical Foundation's \$20-million campaign to provide the medical equipment required.

"The community response to our fundraising effort has been tremendous," said Foundation chair Gerry Ryan. "It's really heartwarming to see how many residents, businesses and service organizations throughout our region have responded to our fundraising drive. It reflects the importance people place on quality healthcare in our area."

The six-storey tower has 84 single-bed patient rooms, a new ambulatory care



centre, five operating rooms, three minor procedure rooms, enhanced space for the UBC Faculty of Medicine program, a permanent MRI and more.

Attention now turns to Phase 2 of the \$312.5-million PRH expansion. The most noticeable improvement will see a major upgrade to the Emergency Department, with construction scheduled to be completed by 2021.

The public response to the new facilities has been overwhelmingly positive.

Pati Hill, a member of the newly-formed patient advisory committee at PRH, said all those involved in the hospital upgrade deserve a lot of praise.

"Everyone who participated in bringing this project through to today, deserves a pat on the head," she said. "It allows the staff more room and more technology to make enhancements to patient care. The single-occupancy rooms give patients privacy to heal and to receive the support of their families and friends."

Funding for the project saw the Provincial Government contribute \$161.1 million, the Okanagan Similkameen Regional Hospital District \$117 million, the SOS Medical Foundation pledged to raise \$20 million for medical equipment (\$19.7 million was donated by June 2019), and Interior Health paid \$14.4 million.



COUPLE'S HEALTH EMERGENCIES LEAD TO PRH GIFT

Marlies Stotts knew something was wrong with just one look at her husband Norm.

"It happened at home while we had company. He disappeared and when I found him, he was sweating profusely and didn't walk properly," she recalled. "I phoned the hospital and just said: 'Heart attack.'"

Marlies immediately drove Norm from their home in Osoyoos to South Okanagan General Hospital in Oliver. When they arrived at SOGH, two doctors were waiting – and after stabilizing him, arranged to have Norm taken by ambulance to Penticton Regional Hospital.

Almost five years have passed since that fateful day in September 2014.

Norm stayed in the PRH Emergency Department for the next six days, receiving excellent care from Dr. David Kincade and others on the medical staff. At first they wondered if he had suffered a stroke and performed a battery of tests before he was taken to Kelowna for an angiogram. They discovered a heart blockage which appeared to have formed years ago. Norm had not suffered a heart "attack", but did require heart surgery. A quadruple bypass was performed a few months later.

A second incident happened on the day the Stotts moved into their new home in Penticton in 2017.

A plumber had inadvertently left the trap door to the crawlspace open. As Marlies was backing in with an armload of picture frames, she fell backwards into the crawlspace and struck her head on the concrete floor.



Penticton artist Jan Crawford knows all about the “healing power of art”.

LOCAL ARTIST IN TOUCH WITH HOSPITAL ART

Artwork and historical photographs, now adorning many of the hallways at Penticton Regional Hospital, have gained plenty of attention from patients and visitors alike.

Crawford, who grew up in Penticton, went on to obtain a Bachelor of Fine Arts majoring in printmaking from Emily Carr University in Vancouver and instructed art for 30 years.

She says the benefits of having art in PRH are huge. It helps reduce the anxiety of patients and visiting family members and other supporters.

“It’s so much better than a bare wall – it gives everybody hope. It has a strong power to it that works on a subconscious level,” she said. “It’s proven that it helps everybody in the building, but definitely the people going through the illness.”

While some people remain skeptical about placing art in hospitals, studies have shown it has real benefits. St. Paul’s, B.C. Children’s Hospital, and VGH in Vancouver are “wall-to-wall art”, she added.

Crawford, who has recovered from her own battle with cancer in the 1980s, said the healing power of art is not something to be dismissed.

“Until you’ve live it, you don’t really have any idea – don’t understand the power of it,” she said. “It’s really true stuff.”

Crawford was first introduced to hospital art in the late 1980s when some of her works were included in an exhibition in the U.S.

“Before 1987, there were no pieces of art hanging in any hospital,” she said. “My artwork went down to California in a group show and that’s when I was introduced to art carts, art hanging in hospitals and art therapists.”

An art cart consists of paintings to be chosen by a patient, which are then hung on their room wall for the length of their stay. An art therapist is now on permanent staff at the cancer clinic in Vancouver, as well as Children’s Hospital and elsewhere. Crawford was the guest instructor at a recent Penticton workshop at the Shatford Centre which focused on what types of art would be appropriate for a health facility. Each participant then worked on their own paintings with sensitivity as to where it would be hung and its therapeutic impact on patients and family.

One of her own artworks, entitled “Flow” hangs in PRH.

“It’s about a tree with a window in it and the tree is in water,” she said. “The tree is a symbol for ‘self’ and the window is another symbol in art therapy for the spiritual awareness of one’s self.”

Norm was outside while crews completed a waterline repair and had no idea of the mishap. Marlies believes she lay in the crawlspace for about 90 minutes before she regained consciousness.

She was taken by ambulance to PRH, suffering from five rib fractures. In Emergency, she had to lie on a stretcher in a crowded, busy hallway. Every time the stretcher got bumped, the pain was excruciating.

She remained there for five hours until X-rays were taken.

Those two experiences were key reasons why the Stotts have donated to the SOS Medical Foundation’s campaign to provide medical equipment for Phase 2 of the PRH project, including an expansion of the Emergency Department.



Help Support Emergency Department Upgrades at PRH and Oliver

With the opening of the new David E. Kampe Tower, the SOS Medical Foundation is now looking for donor support to acquire medical equipment for Phase 2 of the PRH expansion. This includes a major renovation to the Emergency Department to be completed in 2021. We still must raise \$300,000.

A \$1.25-million upgrade to the Emergency Department at South Okanagan General Hospital is also underway. We are raising \$280,000 for that project, due for completion by late December 2019.

To donate, call the SOS Medical Foundation at 250-492-9027, stop by our office in the lobby of the new PRH Tower, visit our website at www.sosmedicalfoundation.com or mail donations to:



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