

Vision: Working together
for a healthier future

Mission: In close partnership
with our donors and
volunteers, the Northern
Lights Regional Health
Foundation raises and
manages funds to support
quality health services for
the people of our region.



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building a brighter future

Message from the Chair



Dear Friends:

It was with great pleasure that I assumed the position of Chair of the Northern Lights Regional Health Foundation in June 2004. As a member of the Foundation board over the past two years, I have seen first hand the impact that the generosity of our community has on the quality of health services offered at the Northern Lights Regional Health Centre.

Over the past two years the Foundation has accomplished many milestones. In 2002/2003 we raised more than \$1,000,000 net for the first time. In 2003/2004 we received our first \$1,000,000 pledge. Over the past two years we have been able to purchase more medical equipment than ever before – helping to ensure that the people of Wood Buffalo have the services they need most.

While medical equipment purchases will remain the priority for the Foundation, ensuring funds are available for health promotion and injury prevention is also necessary to ensure the ongoing health of the residents of our region.

On behalf of the Northern Lights Regional Health Foundation, I would like to extend my appreciation to all of our donors who have helped make the past two years such an outstanding success. While we work hard to ensure that quality health services are available right here at home, we couldn't do it without you. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Above: Jack and Emma Williams dumping the haul truck full of money to celebrate the \$1 million donation.

The last 15 months have seen two transformational gifts to our Foundation. The first, made by Suncor Energy Foundation in October 2003 was for \$1,000,000 payable over a 5 year period.

Steve Williams, Executive Vice President, Suncor Energy states "Our gift reflects the importance Suncor places on the health and well being of our communities, including our employees and their families. We recognize that use of health care services in the region has increased as a result of oil sands development, and we expect that will continue as we grow. This support through the Suncor Energy Foundation is one way we can help."

The second gift, made by Syncrude Canada Ltd., for \$800,000 over 5 years was committed in June 2004. Charles Ruigrok, CEO of Syncrude Canada Ltd. stated "The Northern Lights Regional Health Foundation and its people work with great dedication to serve the health needs of the entire Wood Buffalo region. This includes Syncrude employees and their families, as well as temporary residents who are here

working on oil sands projects. We are pleased to support the Foundation to purchase and replace medical equipment as needs arise."

These donations lead the way in ensuring that quality health services will be available across all areas of our organization.

Both of these donations are for priority medical equipment purchases throughout our Health Centre. Because they are not specified to any one department, these donations lead the way in ensuring that quality health services will be available across all areas of our organization.

These significant donations will allow the Health Centre to replace aging and outdated medical equipment throughout the facility. But even more importantly it will allow us to move forward with equipment that is needed to offer new services to the residents of Wood Buffalo and patients at the Northern Lights Regional Health Centre.

*Largest
corporate
donations
ever secured*

*Syncrude
Canada Ltd.
new Festival of
Trees sponsor*

In the spring of 2003 the Foundation reached a three-year agreement with Syncrude Canada Ltd. for the title sponsorship of Festival of Trees. The flagship special event of the Foundation, Festival was held November 28 to 30, 2003 and will be featured again November 26 to 28, 2004.

The Syncrude Festival of Trees reached new heights in 2003, raising over \$250,000 for specialized surgical equipment at the Northern Lights Regional Health Centre. Chaired by Foundation Board Member, Sharon Shiniman, the 2004 Festival will be raising funds for surgical equipment for the new Orthopaedic surgeon at Northern Lights.

Support from other corporate sponsors was also instrumental in the success of the 2003 event. ATCO Electric, ConocoPhillips Canada, CNRL, Petro-Canada and Suncor Energy Foundation all sponsored areas of the Festival to ensure it's continued success.

With over 250 live and silent auction items donated, more than 100 gift in kind donors, 450 volunteers and over 10,000 in attendance, the Syncrude Festival of Trees is truly a community event.



Wayne and Rita Taylor, Tridon Communications

Operation Good Health



Left to Right: Joan Helm, Dr. Lorne Zuk, Chief of Surgical Services and Foundation Board Member, Dr. Josef Largoza, Chief of Anesthesiology.

"State of the art medical equipment for our Operating Rooms will help save lives, reduce surgical times, and improve recovery times for our patients. Our entire surgical team appreciates the support our community gives to our Health Centre.

- Dr. Lorne Zuk

Here at Northern Lights Regional Health Centre we have five Operating Rooms in regular use. Built and equipped in 1980 when our Health Centre first opened, over 2,500 emergency, inpatient and day surgeries per year keep these rooms in constant use. Ensuring each of these patients has access to the best medical equipment available is a priority need for our Health Centre and the communities it serves.

Upgrading our surgical equipment will help maximize the efficiency of the Operating Rooms, reduce patient surgical times, improve patient recovery times, and reduce occupational health and safety risks for our physicians and staff.

The Foundation has also undertaken the task to outfit the operating rooms for the

specialized equipment needed for an orthopaedic surgeon to practice in our region.

Combined, the upgrades to the Operating Rooms and new surgical equipment for the Orthopaedic Surgeon will likely exceed \$1.5 million. To date the Foundation has raised over \$1 million dollars towards this goal.

The Health Foundation would like to acknowledge the generous support of the following companies for making these enhancements a reality for our Health Centre:

Bartan Machine and Welding
Chemco Electrical Contractors
Diversified Transportation
Fountain Tire
Bond Group of Companies
GF Construction
Quality Rewind & Electric

In Memoriam

Funds raised by In Memoriam donations are a lasting way to celebrate the lives of family members and friends. We would like to gratefully acknowledge the donations received in memory of the following individuals between April 1, 2002 and September 30, 2004.

Alice Baird
Helmut Biech
Stephen Briggs
Bev Davies
Jeffery Dodds
Vitaline Flett
Marie Hunt
Cory James Hurford
Ann Leslie
Audrey McFarland
Violet Mary Morris
Heber Nippard
Ted Norris
Irene Parker
Ronald Parker
Sara Ashleigh Pauls
Lillian Spring
Thomas Staples
Don Whelton
Albert Wolff
Bryan Williams

Outreach Vehicles



Above: Opti/Nexen Long Lake Project sponsored vehicle

Health promotion, injury prevention and community outreach are a vital part of the health services offered by the staff of the Northern Lights Regional Health Centre. Safe transportation for our staff is a key component of providing health services and clinics in the outlying communities of Wood Buffalo.

Helping to ensure that the outlying aboriginal communities have access to health services in their own communities is the focus of Albion Sands Energy and the Long Lake Project's donation of outreach vehicles. Albion's two vehicles and OPTI/Nexen Long Lake Project's one are in constant use helping staff access residents from Fort McKay all the way south to Conklin.

These vehicles ensure that staff can offer programs including dental education, helmet safety, cervical cancer prescreening and awareness, health check-ups and much more to the outlying areas.

Helmet Campaign

The state of the art medical equipment purchased by the Foundation is crucial to the treatment of patients at Northern Lights. However, preventing injuries from happening in the first place is a key part of reducing the impact on our Emergency Room.

In Alberta, bicycling injuries top the list of sport and recreational injuries resulting in major trauma. In fact, 82% of children and teens were NOT wearing a helmet at the time of injury. A further 76% of adults were also not wearing helmets when they were injured.

We would like to acknowledge the RBC Royal Bank Foundation donation towards the purchase and distribution of bike helmets in an effort to help reduce head injuries in children. For every \$1.00 spent on bicycle helmets, \$30 is saved on health care costs.



Above: RBC Helmet Campaign

Dental Program

With the help of funding from OPTI/Nexen's Long Lake project for the past two years, the Health Foundation has been able to support the dental program operated by the Northern Lights Health Region in the outlying areas of Wood Buffalo. Offering dental education, cleaning, flourides, sealands and dental services to children from Fort Chipewyan down to Conklin, this program is succeeding in ensuring that children in our region have good dental health and access to quality dental services.

A total of 267 dental health presentations were made to Kindergarten to Grade 6 classes in Wood Buffalo. A further 65 presentations were made to preschool classes. As well, 445 children received full dental services.

The following is a list of medical equipment that has been supported by the Northern Lights Regional Health Foundation over the past two years.

Ambulatory Care:

- Cautery Unit
- Stretchers

Audiology:

- Hearing Equipment

Cancer Clinic:

- Shelving

Comm. Mental Health:

- Video equipment for play therapy room

Continuing Care:

- Chair Lift
- Patient Beds

Diagnostic Imaging:

- Operating Room C-Arm
- Film storage shelving
- Portable X-ray unit
- Sono CT upgrade
- Two tier mammography viewers

Dental:

- Portable dental system

Emergency:

- Transport monitor
- Alaris Monitoring system
- Digital infant scale
- O2 saturation monitor
- Stretchers

Environmental Health:

- Air monitoring equipment

Family Health:

- Audiometers
- Beltone Audiology units
- Vision Screeners

Food Services:

- Mobile food table for CCU

Home Care:

- Electric bed for home use
- IV pumps
- Oxygen concentrator
- Oximeter

Intensive Care Unit:

- Biphasis Defibrillator
- E C G Machine
- Holter monitoring system
- Ice machine
- Portable venous ultrasound
- Vollman Prone Positioner

Maternal Child:

- Bili Lights
- Epidural Pumps
- Fetal Monitor
- Fibronectin testing equipment
- Isolette
- Mobile Recliners
- OHIO
- Phototherapy bed
- Syringe Pump
- Transport Isolette

Medicine:

- Patient Care beds
- Recliner chairs

Material Processing:

- Ivac infusion pumps
- Wheelchairs

Operating Rooms:

- Bair hugger
- Electrocautery unit (gyn)
- Hysteroscope
- Laparoscopic set up
- O degree keir laparoscopes
- OHIO
- Smoke evacuators
- Stretchers
- Tourniquet system
- Orthopaedic surgical equipment
- Fracture table
- Hemorrhoid Multibander

Pediatrics

- Dinemapp with Pulse Oximeter
- IV Pumps

Pharmacy:

- Medication carts

Physiotherapy:

- Adjustable mat table
- Electric Treatment Plinth
- Interferential

Respiratory Therapy:

- Oximeter
- Smart CPAP

Statement of Financial Position

Please note that much of the funds held on deposit by the Foundation are specified to such upcoming expenditures as the balance due on the CT Scanner and a new General Duty Trauma Room, which will begin construction and outfitting in late 2004. As well, a further \$826,000 is dedicated to equipment purchases approved but not yet received.

Statement of Operations

Revenue

Fundraising	\$426,337
Unspecified donations	\$416,738
Specified donations	\$391,006
Non-monetary subsidy	\$154,393
Interest	\$70,562
Rent	\$20,713
	\$1,479,749

Expenses

Fundraising activities	\$145,930
Salaries, Office and other	\$196,300
	\$342,230

Excess of Revenue over Expenses	
Before the Following	\$1,137,519
Donations to the Northern Lights Health Region	\$716,633
Excess (Deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$420,886
Opening Net Assets	\$785,204
Closing Net Assets	\$1,206,090

Breakdown of Gifts

Corporate donations	54%
Individual donations	7%
Grants	2%
Misc	2%
Special Events	25%
Interest	5%
Community Groups	5%



Tim Burke, a P & H Minepro employee, along with his wife Rebecca felt right at home with their new baby, Evelyn, in the P & H nursery.

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