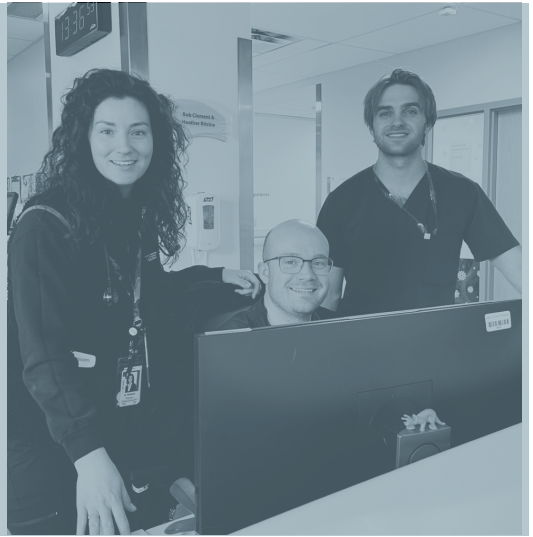


Annual Report

2025/26





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WHCA, President & CEO



Tom Barlow
GMCH, Board Chair



Michael O'Dwyer
NWHC, Board Chair

A Message from the President & CEO and Board Chairs

We are proud to share the 2025/26 Wellington Health Care Alliance Annual Report, reflecting on a year shaped by strong partnerships, steady progress, and a deep commitment to the health of our communities. Over the past year, our teams have worked together to strengthen services, enhance patient experiences, and advance initiatives that support high-quality, accessible care.

Across our alliance hospitals, we have continued to evolve how we serve, introducing new approaches, improving access, and responding thoughtfully to the changing needs of the communities we support.

This report is an opportunity to celebrate what we have accomplished together and to recognize the people who made it possible. Each day, our staff, physicians, and volunteers demonstrate exceptional skill, compassion, and dedication. Their efforts, along with the invaluable support of our partners and donors, drive the meaningful progress we continue to achieve.

As you read this report, we invite you to consider the impact of this shared work. We are grateful for the trust placed in us and remain committed to building a healthier future for all.

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Our Strategic Plan at Work

Our Strategic Plan 2023–2028 serves as the foundation for everything we do. Built around our vision, mission, and core priorities, it guides the decisions we make, the care we provide, and the partnerships we foster. Throughout this annual report, you'll see how these strategic priorities come to life through the stories, achievements, and milestones shared by our teams, patients, and community. Together, they demonstrate our continued commitment to delivering exceptional care and building a healthier future for the communities we serve.

Our Vision

Rooted in Wellness - Growing Together - Cultivating Health

Our Mission

Together, elevating quality to achieve excellent care, empowering all to thrive on our journey of wellness

Our Values

Teamwork

We recognize that everyone contributes toward the patient’s journey in different ways. We work together with the patient and family, trusting each other, collaborating respectfully for the best possible health care experience.

"People working together to achieve more than they could alone"

Accountability

We are responsible to our patients, families, and team, to work collaboratively, and professionally while embracing our shared values.

"It's how we forge a better place to work and leads to trust between us as well as the community we support"

Compassion

We seek to understand; to listen without judgement. We work together to support an environment of inclusivity for patients, families and each other.

"We empathize with our patients and their families AND are understanding with each other"

Kindness

We act with empathy, courtesy, and patience in all our interactions.

"Kindness is intentional, without expectation, not only when it's easy, but more so when it's hard"

Respect

We recognize the inherent value of everyone we interact with. We treat all with dignity while appreciating individual choice and uniqueness.

"Respect celebrates all abilities, qualities, or achievements"



Together, empowering a meaningful patient journey

WE WILL DO THIS BY:

- Growing relationships with our patients and families, involving them in care and operational decision-making
- Cultivating quality, yielding excellent care
- Transforming how we collect and use information to drive quality and support the patient journey



Together, advancing a culture of team wellness

WE WILL DO THIS BY:

- Fostering a team engaged in quality care
- Promoting and supporting continuous growth, empowering problem-solvers in developing creative solutions
- Cultivating the leaders of the future



Together, nurturing our Alliance ecosystem

WE WILL DO THIS BY:

- Maintaining sustainable finances
- Strengthening the Alliance
- Nurturing corporate social responsibility
- Sustaining and growing clinical services



Together, enriching partnerships and growing community relationships

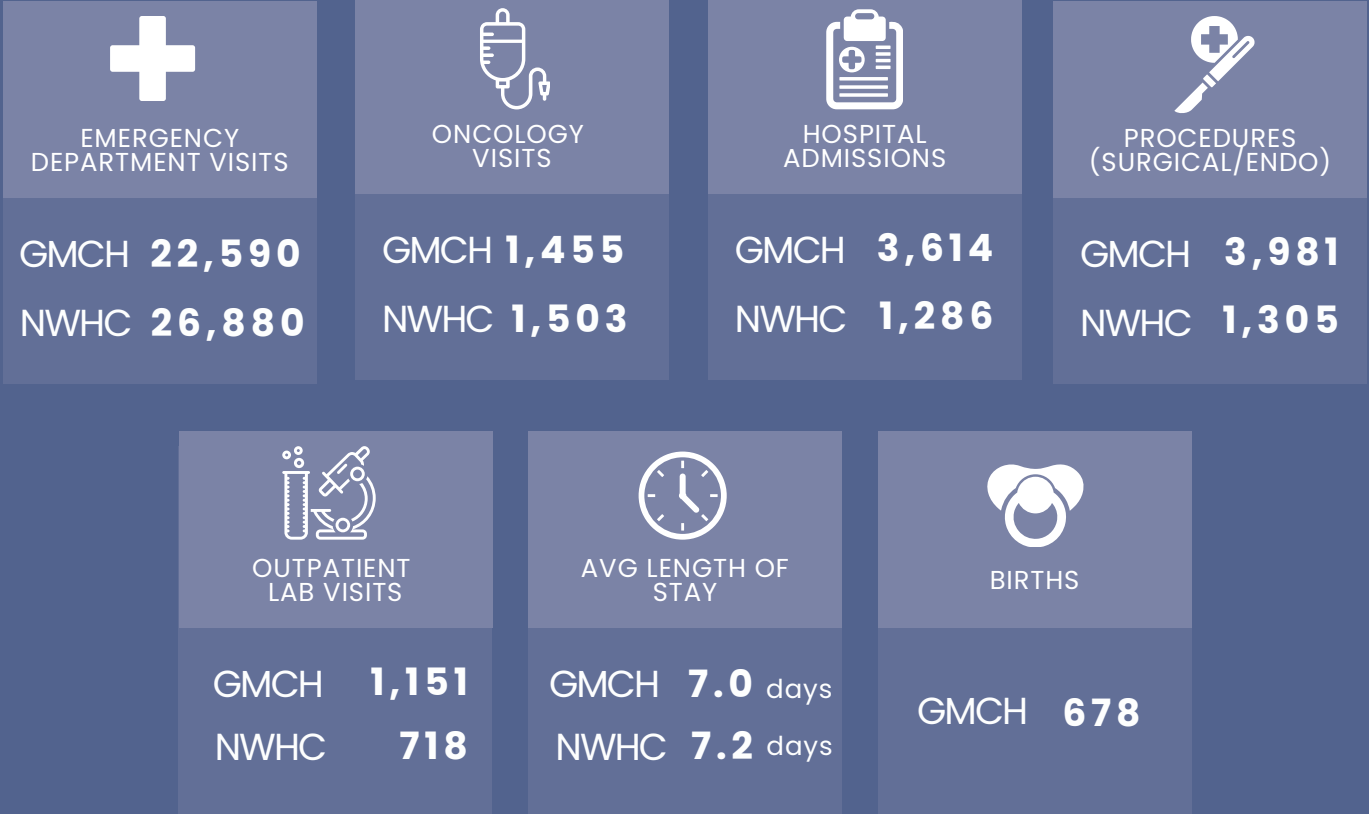
WE WILL DO THIS BY:

- Committing to active participation as a member of the Guelph Wellington Ontario Health Team (GW OHT)
- Collaborating with partners to support quality patient care
- Planning for the impact of future community growth

Champion diversity, equity, and inclusion in everything we do.

Patient Care By the Numbers

This fiscal year, our hospitals continued to provide safe, compassionate care to patients in our communities. The numbers below highlight the scope of care delivered and the dedication of our teams.

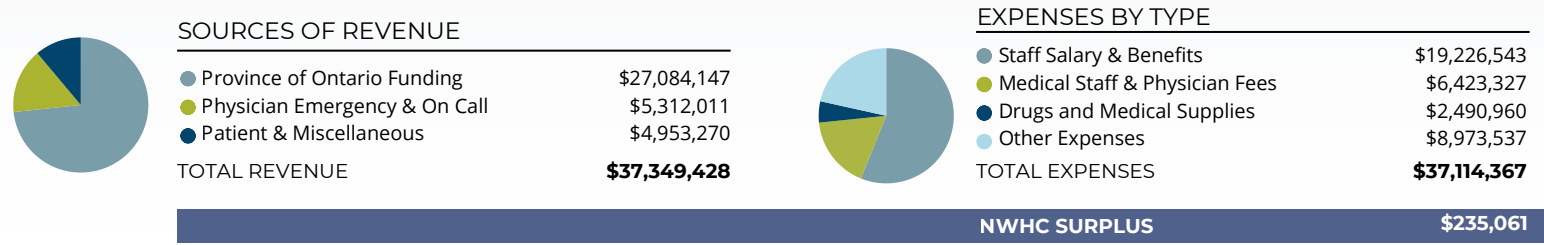


Financial Data

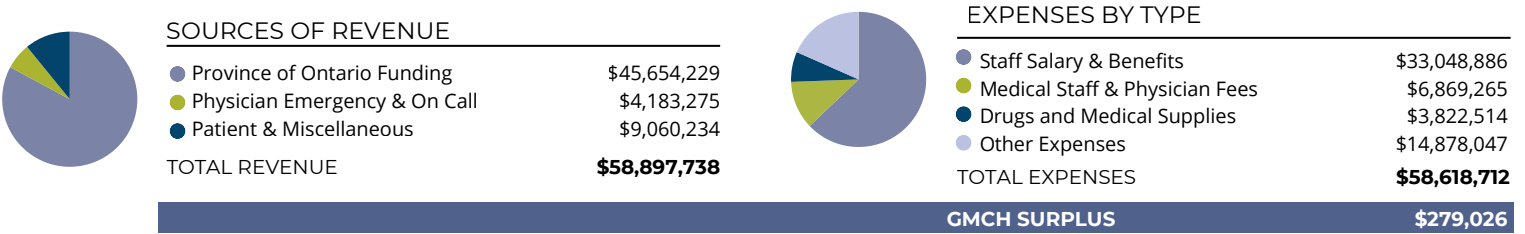
We are committed to being transparent and accountable to our community, and this includes sharing the summary of our financial position (year ending March 31 2026) below and the audited financial statements available on our website.

North Wellington Health Care

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Groves Memorial Community Hospital





Building Relationships with Indigenous Communities

WHCA, the Upper Grand Family Health Team, the Minto Mapleton Family Health Team, and the Mount Forest Family Health Team have partnered with Katrina Graham, a local Indigenous Helper from Heart Works Consulting, to actively pursue Truth and understanding through the development of relationships with Indigenous community members and partners to support more culturally safe, respectful, and responsive care. This work is grounded in listening, humility, and relationship-building, recognizing that meaningful change in health care must be shaped with Indigenous voices, knowledge, and lived experience at the centre.



Heart Work Consulting Logo

We are creating opportunities for dialogue, shared learning, and collaboration with Indigenous community members. The work supports a deeper understanding of Indigenous health equity, the ongoing impacts of colonization, and the importance of trauma-informed, culturally safe approaches to care. It also reflects a commitment to moving beyond consultation toward authentic partnership, where community priorities, local protocols, and Indigenous ways of knowing help guide planning, service delivery, and improvement.

As this work continues, WHCA is focused on building trust, improving experiences of care, and identifying practical actions that support Indigenous patients, families, and communities. By working alongside Heart Work Consulting and primary care partners, WHCA is taking meaningful steps to understanding and advancing reconciliation in health care, embed cultural safety into organizational practice, and support a care environment where Indigenous people feel respected, heard, and welcomed.

Launching Indigenous Foot Care Clinics in Partnership with GW OHT



Wellington Health Care Alliance is partnering with the Guelph Wellington Ontario Health Team (GW OHT) and our Family Health Team partners to provide Indigenous Foot Care clinics for clients who identify as Indigenous.

Clinics are funded through the GW OHT and will be offered at both the Mount Forest Family Health Team (MMFHT) and Groves Memorial Community Hospital (GMCH), with the first clinic at GMCH launching on April 2. Care will be delivered using culturally safe practices, supported by Indigenous clinicians and community-informed approaches.



Jodi Rock and Cassandra Sault

Learning Through Partnership

We were honoured to host the Understanding Anti-Indigenous Racism in Health Care workshop at Groves Memorial Community Hospital. Facilitated by Jodi Rock and Cassandra Sault, the session deepened participants' understanding of anti-Indigenous racism in health care while encouraging reflection on cultural humility and more equitable, respectful care.

The workshop concluded with a hands-on traditional medicine activity, where participants created a body scrub, connecting learning with reflection, cultural knowledge, and community. We are grateful to Jodi, Cassandra, and everyone who participated for helping advance our shared commitment to culturally safe care.



Members of the Patient Partner Council

Patient Partner Council in Action

Bringing the patient voice to life across care design, programs, and hospital improvements

The Patient Partner Council brings together former patients and caregivers who volunteer their time to ensure the patient voice is at the heart of how we design care, spaces, and programs across our Alliance. Formerly known as the Patient and Family Advisory Committee, the council has refreshed its identity, meeting structure, and Terms of Reference to strengthen its impact in shaping patient care across all sites.

Comprised of seven community members and two hospital representatives, the council meets 10 times per year, rotating among our three hospital sites.

Over the past year, members have played an active role in a wide range of initiatives, including wayfinding improvements, Emergency Department patient flow redesign, accessibility planning, senior-friendly care, emergency preparedness, and ethics.

They have also contributed valuable feedback on patient satisfaction surveys, “From Hospital to Home” resources, and supported innovative Care Catalyst projects focused on enhancing patient care. Their contributions continue to help shape meaningful improvements across our organization.



Patient Partner Council Endorsed Initiatives

Look for the Patient Partner Council endorsement logo on initiatives they’ve supported.

In the past year, members supported:

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|---|--|
| ☒ Wayfinding Improvements | ☒ Emergency Preparedness |
| ☒ Patient Flow Redesign | ☒ Ethics |
| ☒ Accessibility Planning | ☒ Patient Feedback |
| ☒ Senior Friendly Care | ☒ Care Catalyst Projects |

Malnutrition Prevention Program Implementation

Early screening and nutrition support for at-risk patients

WHCA Registered Dietitians (RDs) implemented a Malnutrition Prevention Program in September to support the approximately 45% of patients admitted to hospital who are at risk of malnutrition. Designed to identify and address nutrition concerns early, the program helps improve patient outcomes, supports recovery, and reduces the risk of complications during hospitalization. The program consists of two key components:



Mandatory Screening on admission utilizing the Canadian Nutrition Screening Tool



Automatic referral to an RD who will further assess the patient’s status and implement interventions

+10%

The RDs have seen a **10% increase in referrals** as of implementation date.



Brooklyn Brubacher and Mike Libbey, RDs



Paula Siefried and Cara Croll, RDs



SOPRA Recruitment Fair - insert date



Adapting to Growing Care Demands

Supporting physician recruitment to align with evolving models of care

Recruitment Strategy

Recruiting physicians for Mount Forest & Arthur, Minto-Mapleton and Centre Wellington & Area remains a strategic priority as our communities continue to grow and patient needs become more complex.

Across Wellington Health Care Alliance, recruitment efforts are focused on building long-term relationships with medical learners and physicians, increasing exposure to rural practice, and creating the conditions that help physicians see a working and living here.

This work includes attending Canadian, Ontario and International physician career fairs, strengthening job advertising through dedicated recruitment websites, social media and targeted job boards, and participating in collaborative recruitment initiatives such as Practice Ready Ontario and the Ontario Physician Recruitment Alliance.

Evolving Models of Care

In Centre Wellington, Groves Memorial Community Hospital has moved away from the traditional rural model—where family physicians provided community practice, inpatient, obstetrical and emergency care—and toward a more integrated hospital-based model that includes hospitalists, emergency physicians and other specialized roles working alongside community family physicians. This change reflects the needs of a larger and more complex patient population, and it has increased demand for targeted physician recruitment at Groves.

In contrast, North Wellington Health Care continues to operate within a rural health care model, where family physicians remain closely connected to both community-based practice and hospital care in Mount Forest and Minto-Mapleton.

Together, these tailored approaches to recruitment and care delivery are helping ensure residents across all our communities can continue to access high-quality care close to home.

Cultivating Future Healthcare Professionals

Our strategy is intentionally hands-on and community-based. We are creating locum and site-visit opportunities so physicians and their families can experience our hospitals and communities firsthand, while also expanding medical education experiences that encourage trainees to consider rural practice early in their careers.

In Centre Wellington, Groves Hospital has hosted dozens of learners and trainees, including co-op students, residents and medical students. In Mount Forest and Minto-Mapleton, Rural Discovery Weeks for medical students, trainee placements and supervised practice pathways are helping to build a local pipeline of future physicians.

Housing support for visiting locums and trainees, assistance with community connections, municipal partnerships, and financial incentives in eligible rural communities all strengthen our ability to compete for physician talent.

Recruitment Highlights

-  Participating in Canadian and International Physician Career Fairs
-  Collaboration with Practice Ready Ontario and the Ontario Physician Recruitment Alliance
-  Hosting Learners and Trainees, including residents and medical students
-  Creating site-visit opportunities for physicians and their families
-  Strengthening Recruitment through dedicated websites, social media, and job boards along with marketing materials and videos

Committed to Our People and Strengthening Care Systems

Across our hospital sites, we are investing in improved systems, spaces, and technologies that strengthen care delivery, support our teams, and enhance the experience for patients and families.

Bringing Comfort to More Patients

PDH and LMH have both had modern patient entertainment systems installed in recent years, however, during the initial installation project it was not possible to mount TV sets in all rooms, certain rooms have been repurposed, or other limitations resulted in a scenario where a mobile TV would be beneficial.

As such, our ICAT and Maintenance teams have worked together to create a mobile TV solution that can be relocated throughout PDH and LMH, providing patients with TV service during their stay in spaces where that service would not have otherwise been available.



Enhancing Diagnostic Imaging Spaces

Minor renovations to the PDH DI department, funded by the PDH Foundation, have been finished. The updates include a new area for ultrasounds, an upgraded workstation for radiologists to read and report, a better workspace layout for technologists, and an office for our newly hired MRI clerk.

Cleaner Air, Safer Care

A new air handling unit is being introduced at Louise Marshall Hospital. This replacement will strengthen infection prevention and control across our hospital. By improving air circulation, filtration, and air exchange, the system helps reduce the risk of airborne infections and creates a safer environment for patients, staff, and visitors.

Beyond infection control, it also helps maintain stable temperature and humidity levels to improve comfort in clinical and patient care areas. This investment reflects our ongoing commitment to safe, high-quality care and high standards of health and performance now and into the future.



Streamlined Care

In March 2023, all three of our hospital sites reintroduced the Philips ECG Anywhere service—bringing a more connected approach to cardiac care. Instead of navigating multiple systems, clinicians can now quickly view and share ECG results, supporting faster decision-making and smoother communication across care teams. This streamlined access helps reduce delays and keeps everyone aligned.

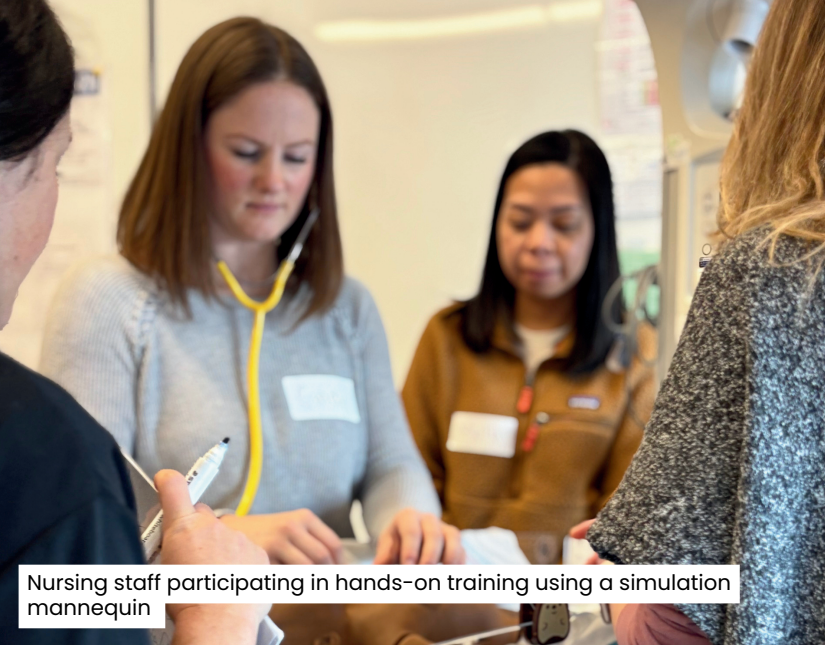
Overall, the unified ECG platform strengthens efficiency allowing teams to focus more time on patients and ensuring more connected care.

What Matters Most

At Wellington Health Care Alliance, we are committed to creating a workplace where our staff are happy, healthy, and productive. Using the Joy in Work framework, we focus on building a culture that supports physical and psychological safety, wellness and resilience, camaraderie, and teamwork, while giving staff meaning, purpose, and autonomy in their roles.

Through these efforts, our alliance strengthens both our people and our organization, promoting wellness, engagement, and a culture where staff can provide exceptional care every day.





Nursing staff participating in hands-on training using a simulation mannequin



Paul Klausen, Manager of Support Services Department planting the garden



Strengthening Skills

Supporting Growth and Learning

In February 2026, Hamilton Health Sciences team visited Groves Hospital to deliver the Acute Care of at-Risk Newborns (ACoRN) program, providing nursing and professional staff with hands-on, simulation-based training.

This program equips our teams with practical skills to identify and manage babies at risk, ensuring safe, high-quality care in a variety of clinical situations.

By fostering collaboration and continuous learning, we empower our staff to grow their expertise and deliver exceptional care. Partnerships with experts like Hamilton Health Sciences enhance these opportunities, helping our teams stay at the forefront of clinical excellence.



Rooted in Care

Growing with Purpose

In July 2025, our incredible Support Services team planted more than just a vegetable garden at Groves Hospital, they planted a commitment to sustainability and responsible care.

The garden has been a success, producing fresh, vegetables that our staff use to prepare wholesome meals for both our café and our patients.

By growing food on-site, we are promoting sustainable practices and supporting healthier food choices within our hospital.

We look forward to continuing this initiative in future gardening seasons and seeing it flourish even more!



Expanding Clinical Services

New MRI at Palmerston and District Hospital

The Palmerston and District Hospital officially opened its new MRI machine and suite on September 19, 2025. This addition marks a significant expansion of local clinical services, providing advanced imaging capabilities for a wide range of procedures.

The new MRI reduces travel and wait times for patients, particularly for our rural communities. “This machine allows us to provide hospital-quality imaging locally, helping patients get accurate diagnoses faster, without the stress and travel associated with offsite scans,” said radiologist Dr. Samir Patel. Hospital lead technologist Cayly Hardie added that the MRI is especially beneficial for elderly patients and those with mobility challenges.

Previously, non-emergency MRI wait times in the area reached nearly 130 days, requiring patients to travel to larger centres. With this technology now on-site, patients can receive timely diagnoses close to home, improving comfort, outcomes, and overall patient experience.



MRI arriving on site July 2025



Groves Memorial Community
Hospital **Time Capsule Reveal**

A bridge between *past* and future.

*Historic discoveries at the old
hospital spark reflection on
the past and inspiration for
the future.*

In August 2025, we opened a time capsule found within the walls of our legacy hospital site, this opportunity gave us a rare opportunity to pause and reflect.

Inside were pieces of everyday life from the 1950s, newspapers, blueprints, and a handwritten letter filled with hope for the future. While much has changed since then, what stood out most was how familiar the values felt. A deep sense of community, pride in caring for one another, and optimism for what lay ahead.

As we reflected on those who came before us, we were reminded that the heart of health care has always been the same. While today's environments, technologies, and approaches have evolved, our purpose remains rooted in compassion, connection, and service.

Opening this time capsule was more than a look back, it was a reminder that we are part of a continuum of care. Just as past generations built the foundation we stand on today, we are shaping what health care will become for those who follow.

It inspires us to keep moving forward, honouring the past while continuing to reimagine care for the future.



GMCH @Home

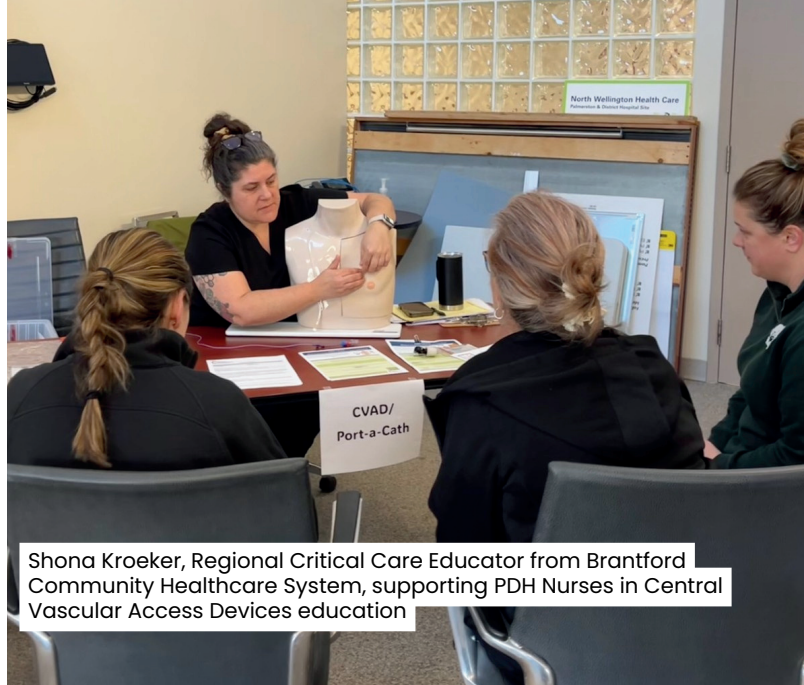
Extending Quality Care Beyond the Hospital

Groves Memorial Community Hospital (GMCH), in partnership with Bayshore Integrated Care Solutions, launched the GMCH @Home program to support patients with complex health needs after hospital discharge. Our goal with GMCH's @Home is to make the first few weeks after leaving the hospital as smooth and supported as possible. The program brings coordinated, hospital-quality care into patients' homes through a team of nurses, personal support workers, coordinators, and social workers, helping patients recover safely and comfortably during this critical period.

We believe recovery happens best at home. This program allows us to deliver personalized, quality care that helps patients regain their independence after hospitalization. By working closely with partners like Bayshore, GMCH ensures patients receive the right care at the right time, avoid unnecessary readmissions, and feel supported as they recover. This collaboration strengthens our commitment to high-quality, patient-centred care and helps our community stay well and independent in their own homes.



Lisa Groulx from Guelph General Hospital leading LMH Nurses in Massive Hemorrhage Protocol training



Shona Kroeker, Regional Critical Care Educator from Brantford Community Healthcare System, supporting PDH Nurses in Central Vascular Access Devices education

Commitment to Continuous Learning

Empowering staff with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to provide safe, high-quality care every day.

Skills Day training at Louise Marshall Hospital and Palmerston Hospital continues to be an important investment in staff development and the quality of care provided to patients and families. This year's sessions focused on strengthening critical skills and building confidence in areas including massive hemorrhage response, central venous access devices (CVADs), documentation, lifts and transfers, Code Pink procedures, wound care, and education from the Trillium Gift of Life Network (TGLN).

Bringing staff together for hands-on learning and practical skill development, Skills Day provided opportunities to refresh essential knowledge, practice real-world scenarios, and strengthen patient safety practices. The training also welcomed regional care partners onsite, supporting collaboration, shared learning, and consistency in best practices across the healthcare system.

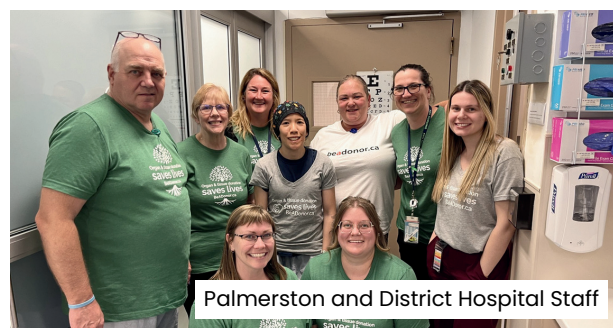
Through expert guidance from presenters and team leaders, staff enhanced the skills and confidence needed to deliver safe, compassionate, and high-quality care across our hospitals.

Honouring Organ and Tissue Donation

Alliance hospitals wearing green in support of donation.

In support of Organ and Tissue Donor Month, staff across our alliance hospitals were green to recognize the importance of organ and tissue donation and the profound impact it has on patients, families, and communities. The initiative served as a visible reminder of the lives changed through donation, while honouring donors and their families for their generosity and compassion.

By coming together across our alliance hospitals, staff helped raise awareness about the lasting impact of organ and tissue donation and the hope it brings to those waiting for life-saving care.



Palmerston and District Hospital Staff



Louise Marshall Hospital Staff



Promotional Gear at Groves Hospital



Celebrating **Community & Growth**

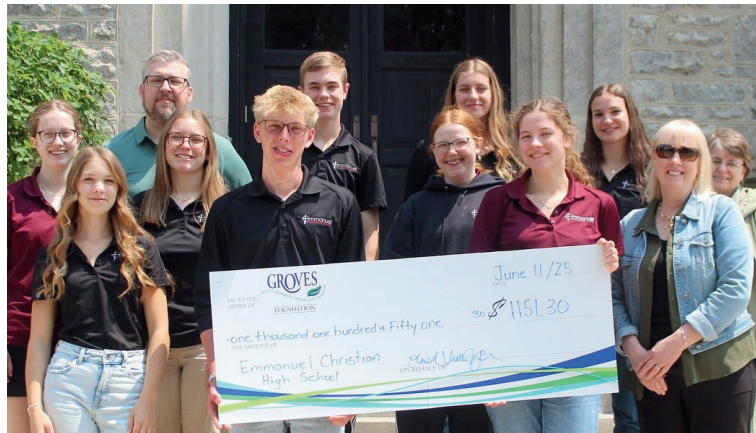
We celebrated a fabulous third year of the Groves Baby Onesie program, welcoming **625** new Groves babies—thanks to the generous support of Bill & Cheryl Rowe & Family.

Big Goal, Big Impact

In April 2025, GMCH set out to raise **\$2.9M to fund 67 vital upgrades** across the hospital—and by March 2026, we reached that goal! Thank you to our anonymous Holiday Match Challenge donors whose \$300,000 gift inspired an incredible wave of support.

Strengthening **Connections in Care**

The largest investment this year was a new **\$500,000** Nursing Call System—enhancing patient care, safety, and comfort, while helping staff communicate and work together more effectively every day.



A Hole-in-One Start

We were proud to host our first-ever Golf for Groves Tournament on May 29! As we look ahead to a new goal of **\$3.3M** for 2026–27, we remain grateful for every donor, volunteer, and community partner who helps make care possible, close to home.



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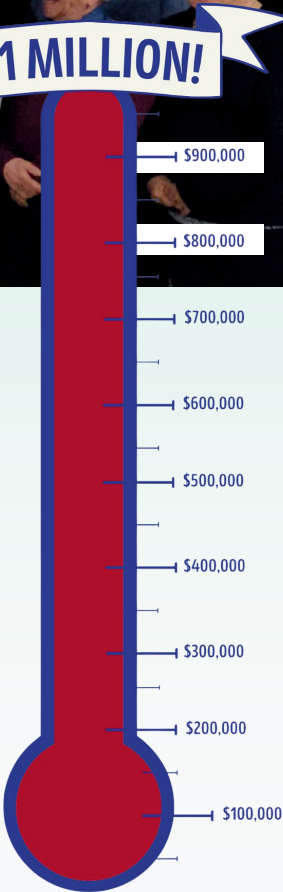
\$1 Million Milestone for Patient Care

During National Volunteer Appreciation Week, the Groves Hospital Volunteer Association (GHVA) proudly presented a \$1 million cheque to the Groves Hospital Foundation in support of patient care at Groves Memorial Community Hospital.

In 2016, GHVA committed to raising \$1 million over 10 years. Despite the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic and extended shutdowns, volunteers achieved this remarkable goal in 2026 with a final contribution of \$200,000.

The funds will support important equipment needs, including pediatric scopes for the OR, fetal monitors for obstetrics, and an endoscopy video tower imprinter and generator.

This milestone reflects thousands of volunteer hours, the generosity of donors, and the continued support of customers at New To You Fergus — a true example of community coming together to support local healthcare.



Celebrating Our Volunteers

The Groves Hospital Volunteer Association celebrated the incredible dedication of its **225 active volunteers**, including 150 at New to You thrift store and 75 at Groves Memorial Community Hospital including Board Members.

Volunteers were recognized for milestone years of service ranging from 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and Lifetime milestones award at our Volunteer Appreciation Event.



Interested in giving back? GHVA welcomes volunteers at both the hospital and New to You Fergus to help support local healthcare close to home. For more information visit: www.newtoyoufergus.ca/volunteer

New to You Fergus Expansion Underway

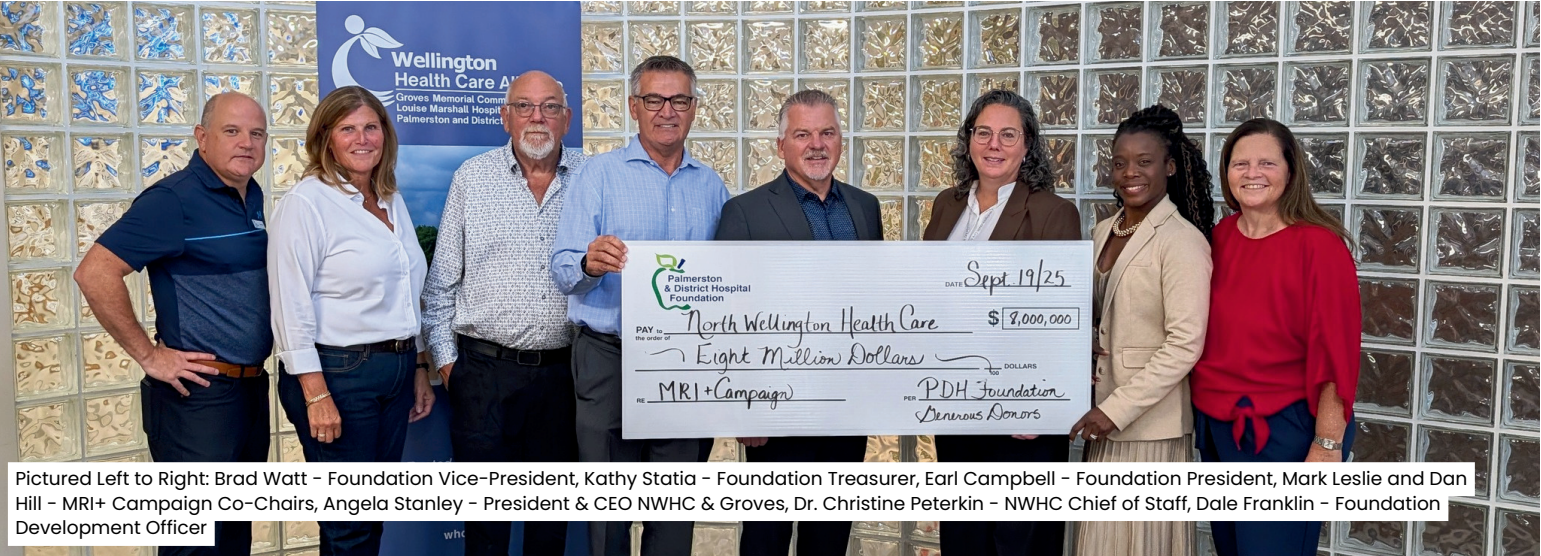
A quick look at what's coming as construction gets started:

- A new donation drive-through area will be included in the build.
- The project will nearly double the size of the current store.
- Construction began the week of March 2, 2026, at 950 St. David Street North, Fergus.
- The expanded design will feature increased natural light for a brighter shopping experience.

- Construction is expected to take approximately one year, depending on weather and building conditions.
- The current store is planned to remain open during construction to maintain shopping and donation access.

For more information about the new construction, visit:

www.newtoyoufergus.ca/ghva/new-construction and follow us on social media @newtoyoufergus



Pictured Left to Right: Brad Watt – Foundation Vice-President, Kathy Statia – Foundation Treasurer, Earl Campbell – Foundation President, Mark Leslie and Dan Hill – MRI+ Campaign Co-Chairs, Angela Stanley – President & CEO NWHC & Groves, Dr. Christine Peterkin – NWHC Chief of Staff, Dale Franklin – Foundation Development Officer

Our MRI+ Campaign Surpassed Our \$8 Million Goal!

On June 30th we announced that our MRI+ Campaign had surpassed our \$8 million goal and raised \$8.3 million. This includes pledges made that will be honoured over the next 3 years. This success was made possible because of the many supportive donors, businesses, and community groups who have generously contributed to this important campaign. This was exciting news, and made the Ribbon Cutting of the MRI Suite in September 2025 a very celebratory event!



Annual Starlight Gala – “Meet Me At The Mediterranean”

The Foundation hosted the premier fundraising event of the year on May 24, 2025, and raised the money needed to replace our Steam Sterilyzer. Our guests were transported to the tranquil Mediterranean and we are thrilled to report a profit of almost \$250,000 was raised through Live and Silent Auctions, Sponsorships, and ticket sales. We owe all of our success to our sponsors, donors, and guests!



Blessings to You Volunteers present Dale Franklin, Development Officer with \$5000 for the Radiothon Campaign.

2025 Radiothon Campaign to fund IT Upgrades

Our 2025 Radiothon Campaign focused efforts on upgrading IT Equipment and Software needed at the hospital and our donors responded with over \$180,000 to help us do that! We are grateful that right on the heels of a huge Capital Campaign our donors still acknowledge the continued need to upgrade our hospital equipment.

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For More Information Visit: pdhfoundation.ca

Palmerston and District Hospital Auxiliary



Strengthening Our Membership & Purpose

This past year, the PDH Auxiliary welcomed **three new members**, bringing total membership to **64 volunteers**.

Our core purpose continues to be raising funds for the PDH Foundation to support local healthcare needs. In 2025, we proudly contributed **\$25,000 toward the MRI campaign**.



Investing in People & Looking Ahead

Beyond fundraising, the Auxiliary supports future healthcare professionals by offering up to **four \$500 bursaries** to Norwell students pursuing health-related studies.

Last year, three students benefited from this program.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to supporting our hospital and community—and we welcome new members to join our dedicated volunteer team.

Ongoing Initiatives That Make an Impact:



Old Country Gospel Concert

\$6,000

The Old Country Gospel Concert was introduced as a new initiative and raised over \$6,000, with a second concert planned for this year due to its success.

Hospital Gift Shop

\$8,000

The Hospital Gift Shop also remains a key source of support, offering gifts and treats while contributing over \$8,000 annually to Auxiliary fundraising.



Handmade Christmas Urns

\$4,000

Our handmade Christmas urns raised over \$4,000, showcasing the talent of our volunteers.

Annual Christmas Bazaar

\$8,000

The Annual Christmas Bazaar remains a signature community event, raising over \$8,000 last year through baking, gifts, lunch, and family activities.



Our volunteers play an important role in supporting our local hospital and helping meet the needs of our community.

If you are looking for a meaningful way to give back, we invite you to join our dedicated team of volunteers and make a difference close to home.

Learn more by visiting:
nwhc.whca.ca/volunteer-association

Louise Marshall Hospital Foundation



The Mount Forest Louise Marshall Hospital Foundation was pleased to partner with Mount Forest Tim Hortons's for their Holiday Smile Cookie campaign. This year, the amazing team at our local Tim's continued to spread kindness in our community, raising just shy of \$10,000 in support of the Foundation's fundraising efforts.

5th Annual Gala: Feathers & Fedoras

In June 2025, the LMH Foundation hosted our 5th Annual Gala, Feathers & Fedoras at the Mount Forest & District Sports Complex. With the help of a sold-out crowd, funds raised through this event totaled more than \$175,000, funding in full a number of essential equipment upgrades for the Inpatient Unit at LMH, including patient ceiling lifts, vital signs monitors, central care monitors and new furniture.



LMH Foundation Directors, Ove Hansen and Drew Nelson, accept a cheque from RCL Branch #134 Past President, Ken Thompson, on behalf of the RCL-Ontario Provincial Command, towards the purchase a blanket warmer for Louise Marshall Hospital.

24th Annual CKNX Health Care Heroes Radiothon

In October 2025, the CKNX Health Care Heroes Radiothon took to the air for a 24th year. The LMH Foundation set a goal for this campaign to raise \$150,000 to fund Nurse Call System Upgrades at Louise Marshall Hospital. This year, with the unparalleled support of Mount Forest and the surrounding area, the LMH Foundation surpassed this goal, funding in full these much-needed capital upgrades.



July 2025 brought the 21st Annual Mary Lynne Forrest Memorial Golf Tournament at Pike Lake Golf Centre. This year, the tournament raised an outstanding \$65,000, with proceeds directed towards the purchase of surgical tools at Louise Marshall Hospital. Over the years, this tournament has built an incredible legacy of support, raising more than \$1 million in support for both LMH and PDH, and funding many critical projects and capital equipment.

The Power of Community

Each year, the Mount Forest Louise Marshall Hospital Foundation (LMH Foundation) is the grateful beneficiary of support from our incredible community. It is with this unwavering commitment from area residents, local businesses, community organizations and service groups including the Mount Forest Lions, the Auxiliary to Louise Marshall Hospital, the Royal Canadian Legion, Cancer Patient Services Corporation, and the Mount Forest Thrift Shop; combined with the support of numerous community fundraisers, like the Tim Hortons Holiday Smile Cookie campaign, the Hometown Hockey fundraiser, the Little Black Dress Affair and the Mary Lynne Forrest Memorial Golf Tournament, that the LMH Foundation was able to fund 28 priority capital projects and equipment at Louise Marshall Hospital, totaling nearly \$1.4 million.

2025/26 Foundation Board of Directors

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Louise Marshall Hospital Auxiliary



Fundraising and Volunteer Impact Throughout the Year

Throughout the year, our volunteers supported both fundraising and hospital initiatives. Fundraising highlights included a Coffee and Treat booth at the Mount Forest summer market, along with Spring and Fall/Winter events and a popular Quilt Raffle featuring a handcrafted, hand-quilted quilt by local Mennonite artisans.

Volunteers also gave their time in the hospital Gift Shop, prepared tray favours for patients on 12 special occasions, and supported Gala set-up and decorations alongside the Foundation team.



Investing in Future Healthcare Professionals

In 2025, we were proud to increase our two Education Awards from \$500 to \$1,000 each, continuing our commitment to supporting local graduating high school students pursuing post-secondary education in the healthcare field. This year, two deserving recipients were selected and received their awards in June, helping them take the next step in their education and future careers in healthcare.



Growing Together, Giving Together

It has been a busy and rewarding year for our group. In 2025, we proudly contributed \$19,000 to the Foundation thanks to the dedication of our volunteers and community support. Volunteer hours also increased this year, with additional Greeter shifts added on Friday afternoons alongside our regular weekly commitments.

Our membership continues to grow steadily, and we meet monthly from September to June. We are also grateful to the Township of Wellington North for a grant that provides meeting space and access to a larger hall for our luncheon and bazaar events.

Our volunteers play an important role in supporting our local hospital and helping meet the needs of our community.

If you are looking for a meaningful way to give back, we invite you to join our dedicated team of volunteers and make a difference close to home.

Learn more by visiting:
nwhc.whca.ca/volunteer-association

Get Involved at

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Thank you for taking the time to read our Annual Report and learn more about the work we do. We're grateful for the support, interest, and community that help make this work possible. If you'd like to learn more, get involved, or connect with us, we'd love to hear from you.

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