

2024-2025

# ANNUAL DONOR REPORT



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Should you be visiting the Brantford General Hospital, you will notice a new permanent B-Wing Level I corridor. This change is necessary to facilitate the current construction of the Ambulatory Assessment Area. Once opened in late Summer 2025, the new Ambulatory Assessment Area will expand the Brantford General Emergency Department by approximately 2,200 square feet and will facilitate accessibility and safety.

We look forward to providing you with continued updates as the ED Renovation Improvement Project continues. Your support is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kari Wilson".

Kari Wilson, Executive Director  
BCHS Foundation

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lee Ferrao".

Dr. Lee Ferrao, Chair  
BCHS Foundation

## LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM



**KARI WILSON, EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR, BCHS FOUNDATION**

This was a record-breaking year for the BCHS Foundation, with over \$7 million raised. Community support for the Ignite Gala and Hope for Healthcare campaign helped raise \$962,000 toward vital new medical imaging equipment—now a top priority at Brantford General and The Willett, Paris. Thanks to donor generosity, the Foundation has granted \$34.5 million for capital projects and patient equipment over the past 21 years. These are not just “nice to haves”—they’re essential tools used every day. We’re deeply grateful for your continued commitment to strengthening local healthcare.



**DR. LEE FERRAO, CHAIR, BCHS  
FOUNDATION**

Thanks to you, our valued donors, the Foundation surpassed its campaign goal, raising over \$8 million for the Emergency Department (ED) Renovation Improvement Project. Your generosity funded the 10% local share of construction and helped purchase new patient equipment—putting vital tools directly in the hands of ED physicians and caregivers. It’s been inspiring to see our community rise to the challenge and give from the heart to renew the ED. Thank you for your investment—not only as Board Chair, but as a grateful father whose son received the care at Brantford General.

### **The 2024-2025 BCHS Foundation Board of Directors**

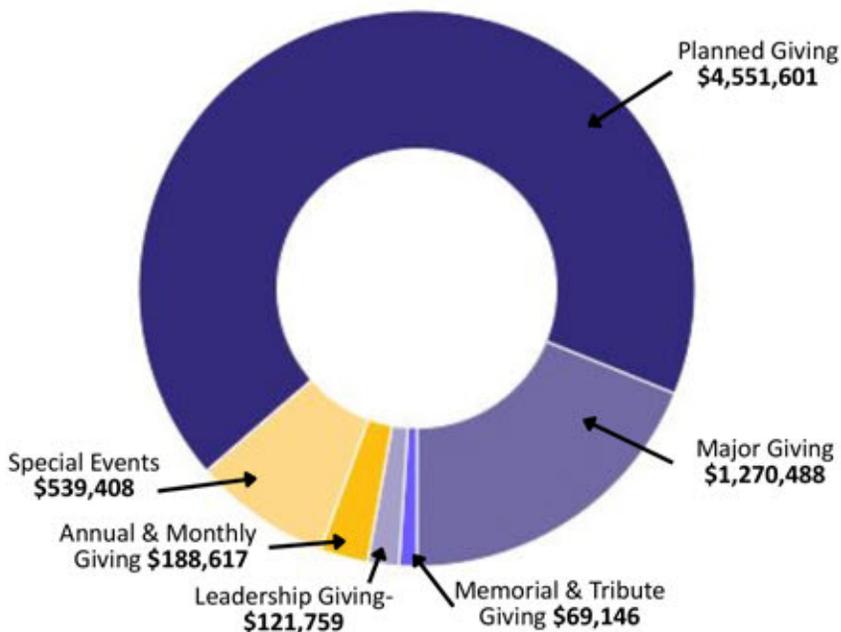
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Sincere thanks to the Brant Artistic Swimming Club for their generous toy donation to the pediatric unit.

# DONATIONS

## BY THE NUMBERS



Over **\$35 million** in patient equipment purchased over the last 21 years because of donor dollars!

Thank you to the **1,943 donors** who gave generously.

The Brant Community Healthcare System Foundation received **5,877 gifts**.

During the year, the Foundation granted **\$2,174,628** to the Brant Community Healthcare System in support of capital equipment and redevelopment projects.

# Donor Dollars at work

During 2024-2025, your gifts helped to purchase many critical pieces of patient equipment.

Thank you for helping us put technology and tools directly in the hands of BCHS physicians and medical professionals when they are needed most.



## Code Carts

A Code or "crash" cart is a self-contained, mobile unit used in hospitals that includes vital tools and equipment needed to provide emergency lifesaving care. Five have been purchased for the ED.

## Point of Care Ultrasound System

Portable ultrasound systems enable the assessment of patients right in the ED (rather than moving them to the imaging department). Two of these critical diagnostic systems have recently been added to support patient care.

## Ultrasound

Ultra sound is a non-invasive imaging test that shows organs, tissues and other structures inside your body using high-intensity sound waves. Ultrasound imaging is a critical tool for diagnosing conditions, for image guidance during certain procedures, and during pregnancy.



## CCU Ventilators

These critical life-support machines provide oxygen to a patient's lungs when they can not breathe on their own.





# save the date

## HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR UPCOMING EVENTS

Ignite Gala, Havana Nights  
September 19, 2025  
TownPlace Suites, Brantford

Wicked High Tea  
November 30, 2025  
River's Edge Arlington, Paris

**2026** has even more to come! Hospital Bed Races, Read4BCHS, Weigh Your Scrap and more.



## HOST AN EVENT

If you or your organization is interested in giving back, please consider organizing a special event to benefit local healthcare! No matter what type of event you choose, we can provide you with tips, tools and resources to ensure a fun and successful time - all while giving back to your community!

[bchsysfoundation.org/thirdpartyevents](https://bchsysfoundation.org/thirdpartyevents)



CELEBRATING

# COMMUNITY SUPPORT



Top: On Wednesday January 22 the Brantford Bulldogs played a very special game in support of the BCHS Foundation and pediatrics at the BCHS. Featuring special jerseys and an incredibly generous donation from the Bulldogs & Bulldogs' Foundation "BFD Night" was a resounding success both on and off the ice!



Left: Members of the Kiwanis Club of Brantford presented a \$25,000 donation to be directed toward the purchase of a birthing bed to benefit the Family Birthing Centre.

Bottom: SC Johnson, A Family Company made a generous donation of \$140,000 to help to purchase new mammography technology for the SC Johnson Departments of Medical Imaging and Diagnostics.



From the smallest gestures to the grandest acts of generosity, every donation, every moment of time given, helps to strengthen our mission.

We are deeply grateful for the support of our friends, families, neighbors and partners - the heartbeat of the Brant Community Healthcare System Foundation.

Thank you for being part of our circle of support. Your continued involvement is a testament to the strength of community, and we look forward to all that we will achieve together in the future.

# STAY UP TO DATE

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*We are excited to work together with our community and donors in the weeks, months and years ahead to continue to raise the funds necessary to build a strong and vital BCCHS to serve the health needs of all.”*

**Kari Wilson,  
Executive Director,  
BCCHS Foundation**

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