



Winchester District Memorial Hospital



# Grateful for Our Local Communities

## Our 2024 Report to the Community

Welcome to a joint update from **Winchester District Memorial Hospital, Dundas Manor Long-Term Care Home, the WDMH Auxiliary, and the WDMH Foundation.** It's our annual opportunity to share some of the highlights from the past year and to thank our local communities for your incredible support. We also want to thank our healthcare teams for their commitment to the very best care.

### Caring Connections



*“The entire team was amazing and caring. ... The hospital is so clean. ... I felt safe, heard and respected. Our health care is in good hands. ... WDMH is my health care place of choice.”*

**Every day, we hear from patients and we are so grateful for your feedback and support of our team.** Your words of encouragement inspire the 900 staff, physicians, midwives, volunteers and students at WDMH to continue to provide the compassionate, excellent care that our local hospital is known for. Thank you!

This past year, the WDMH team cared for more than 80,000 patients. New services, including Pulmonary Function Testing and Rheumatology Clinics, as well as a Lung Screening Program, were launched. Wait times were reduced in the Emergency Department and we introduced PocketHealth to support our Diagnostic Imaging patients. Beyond WDMH, we continue to work with local health partners to advance the Great River Ontario Health Team. Our research program is a leader in international clinical trials. And finally, WDMH is an employer of choice and a place where students choose to come to learn – in part because of our focus on team education and team spirit.



**Thank you for being an active partner in this care – and for your support of health care close to home!**

### A Warm and Welcome Smile

**As pandemic restrictions have lifted, so have the masks.** We are so grateful to be able to see the smiling faces of our volunteers as they greet patients and families and support them throughout the hospital. They are an essential part of our care team.

The WDMH Auxiliary also raises thousands of dollars each year for hospital equipment and presents bursaries to high school students. In fact, the Auxiliary recently provided \$30,000 to purchase five syringe pumps for patient care. And two high school graduates were chosen to receive \$750 each for their ongoing studies.

We are also grateful to the community volunteers who sit on the Patient and Family Engagement Committee, various hospital committees, and the WDMH Board of Directors. Thank you for your commitment to health care close to home.



To learn more about WDMH, visit [www.wdmh.on.ca](http://www.wdmh.on.ca). Don't forget to sign up for our monthly e-newsletter.



# The Magic Continues



To learn more about Dundas Manor, visit [www.dundasmanor.ca](http://www.dundasmanor.ca).

*This past year has been one of planning for our new home* while ensuring ongoing everyday magic for our residents in their current home. Part of the magic is our wonderful collaboration with local schools and colleges. We had more students in co-op and training roles than ever before. And we're proud to have been awarded the Co-op Placement of the Year by North Dundas District High School.

December 15th was a special day as the official groundbreaking ceremony for our new home took place. And then, everyone was feeling the love on Valentine's Day as a giant excavator rolled down the street to begin construction.

The new Dundas Manor will be more than double the size of the current home. Thirty additional residents will be welcomed. There will be four resident home areas called Homesteads. Each one will have a wonderful gathering space as well as beautiful outdoor gardens nearby. Hallway dining will be a thing of the past as there will be four large, bright dining rooms with enough space for everyone. Rooms in the new home will be larger – and everyone will have a window.



**We are so grateful to everyone for your support!**

## The Dream Team



*The healthcare team at Winchester District Memorial Hospital works hard to provide compassionate care close to home. Did you know that you are part of that team too?*

Because of our wonderful donors, the WDMH Foundation has written a cheque to Winchester District Memorial Hospital for \$922,993.77 this year. Among other things, this money has been used to purchase nine new pieces of equipment to care for patients – including two new sterilizers at a cost of over \$200,000 and a state-of-the-art mammography machine valued at about half a million dollars. Wow!

It has also been an exciting year next door at Dundas Manor as we work with generous donors to raise funds for the new home. To date, donors have pledged more than \$13.4 million to the Expanding the Circle of Compassionate Care campaign. And we know we will reach the \$18 million goal – with everyone's help. Thank you to those who have already donated and to all those considering a gift to the new Dundas Manor.

The WDMH Foundation has existed for thirty years. While much has changed over three decades, the basic premise of why we are here has not. We care for one another. We are so grateful to the community volunteers who support our work, including the Board

of Directors for their commitment of time and expertise. And, of course, we are grateful to our donors. Thank you for being an important part of our team through your compassion and generosity.



## New Tools at WDMH - Thanks to Our Amazing Donors!

Mammography Machine  
\$464,174.97

Medical Imaging Viewing Station  
\$6,357.14

Ultrasound Machine  
\$72,106.30

Hysteroscope  
\$7,138.08

Workstations on Wheels (2)  
\$15,251.78

Blanket Warmer  
\$9,005.60

Sterilizers (2)  
\$208,760.41



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