

# **Our Commitment to You**

Even though we have not seen many of our donors in person over the past few months, our commitment to you hasn't changed. We are here for you.

**Speaking of commitment, we have some exciting news.** The WDMH Foundation has a new Commitment Statement. It was developed by a team of donors, board members, and staff. We hope you like it. Please know that we aspire to fulfill this commitment every day.

In the last issue of *Because of You*, we told you about our new name and mandate. It recognizes our new relationship with Dundas Manor Long-Term Care Home. Since then, Dundas Manor has received great news from the Ministry of Long-Term Care. Their home will be re-built and expanded! Over the next few months, watch for more details about the Foundation's fundraising efforts for the new Dundas Manor. We are excited to take on this challenge, and as always, we are confident that local communities will once again step up to help. As always, donors have a choice as to how their generous gifts are used. And funds that have already been raised for Winchester District Memorial Hospital will remain with the hospital.

We really appreciate your support and we look forward to connecting in-person soon. In the meantime, we hope you are well and enjoying the summer.

# **Our Commitment**

Together with current and future donors who – like us – value excellence in local health care, we work to inspire and support their investments of time and financial gifts.

We work hard to ensure that our donors trust us, feel our gratitude, are well-informed, and enjoy positive giving experiences. In all things, our donors are #1.

We value accountability, transparency, integrity – and celebrating our donors' achievements and successes along the way.

Dundas Manor Long-Term Care Home Fundraising for Excellence Winchester District Memorial Hospital



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## **Vital Information**

Surgeons at WDMH have been benefitting from the two new Surgical Towers in the Operating Room for a little while now – thanks to our generous donors.

These complex towers house vital equipment including high-definition cameras, light sources, two flatscreen LED monitors and a computer processor. They provide crucial information and a digital picture that the surgeons watch during surgery. The total cost was just under \$92,000.

WDMH would not be what it is today without our donors. The surgical towers are a wonderful example of the impact our donors are making every day at WDMH. We can't thank you enough!

## MAKING A DIFFERENCE

*Every day, our donors go above and beyond with generous and creative fundraising events. Big or small, every one of them has made an impact and we are always grateful.* 

Just a reminder that we are always here to help you with planning, support and tips to make your event a successful one. Call Cindy Peters at 613-774-2422 ext. 6172 to learn more.

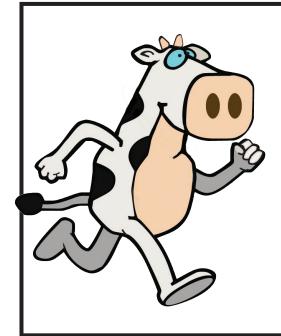


We saw some amazing haircuts during the Haircuts for Health fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who was brave enough to cut their own hair and to all those who made a donation. Check out the fun videos on the Foundation Facebook page. You can still make a donation at https://trellis.org/haircutsfor-health-wdmh. And welcome back to

all of the hair stylists - we missed you!

Happy Birthday to Foundation Board member Chris Chevalier! Chris chose to celebrate her birthday by asking her friends and family to make a donation to the Family Care Fund. Together they raised \$330! Facebook fundraisers are a new trend that is catching on. Donations go directly to the WDMH Foundation via PayPal. Donors can also opt-in to get a charitable tax receipt.





# **Mooooooooooo**!

**The Winchester Legion is busy planning its annual Cow Race** – with a few modifications. The event will take place virtually on Saturday, August 8th at 3 pm. It will be live streamed on the Nation Valley News Facebook page.

The six cows in the race have all taken on a bit of a hockey theme. Jockey Dale Myers will be riding 'ORRdaley' in support of WDMH.

Donors who want to support WDMH can make a donation directly to the Foundation's Family Care Fund via CanadaHelps. Doing so is easy and you will receive a tax receipt right away.

For all the details, visit: https://www.facebook.com/RCLBranch108Winchester

To make a donation, visit: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/50611

## Would you consider adopting us?

The 'Charity Child' – your community as part of your family

When thinking about preparing their will(s), most couples or individuals divide their estate among their immediate family. They want to be sure that they can provide for the needs of their loved ones.

But ask yourself – *who are your loved ones?* Surely your offspring (if you have any), as well as perhaps other immediate or extended family.

But what about causes or charities that have impacted your life? Have you spent hundreds or thousands of hours volunteering? Are you a monthly donor? Have you ever sat on a board of directors? At the very least, have you seen or read about how charities or causes are impacting your community or region?

### These are all cues that you may have a "Charity Child".

The 'Charity Child' concept is a simple one. You can 'adopt' an additional child through your will – a 'Charity Child', also known as a charity that is close to your heart. This 'child' could be endowed into your estate very simply, by adjusting the percentages that your existing beneficiaries would be receiving after you pass.

- 20% to each of five children  $\rightarrow$  18% to each child, 10% to charity child
- 33.33% to each of three children  $\rightarrow$  30% to each child, 10% to charity child
- 50% to each of two children  $\rightarrow$  40% to each child, 20% to charity child

If you knew your family was going to be cared for, AND you (or they) wouldn't have to pay so much in taxes, how could you skip considering a charitable gift?

Another way to consider it is, if you had a choice to give a portion of your estate to the government in tax, or to a charity like the WDMH Foundation, which one would you prefer? Your decision would have a significant effect on your community – whether you make a charitable gift, or not.

#### Benefits and features of a Charity Child gift (otherwise known as a bequest or estate gift)

- This way of giving is simple for you to arrange with your lawyer
- You don't need to give now
- Your support for local health care would have a lasting impact in your community
- Special tax incentives are available for gifts of appreciated property (both during life and after passing)
- A 'Charity Child' gift would help to offset unforeseen taxes on your estate (due to a second property, taxes on retirement savings, US assets, high capital gain shares, etc.)
- You are able to specify whether you would prefer to give cash, stock, property, etc.

If you have questions or would like to chat about adopting us into your family, we would be so honoured and grateful to hear from you – reach out anytime. And – if we are already in your future plans – please consider sharing that wonderful news with us, so we can thank you now!!

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# Neighbourhood News

The WDMH Foundation is proud to be part of caring community of health partners. Together with Winchester District Memorial Hospital, Dundas Manor Long-Term Care Home and the Community Care Building, we are providing health care close to home for our local communities – from babies to seniors. And our local communities support us every step of the way. Here are some updates from our neighbours!

## **Out and About**

#### The warm weather means one thing at Dundas Manor COVID-19 safe bike rides! If you see Dundas Manor staff and residents out for a ride, give them a wave!



### Donate Your Car



The Foundation is partnering with Hospital Cars which accepts vehicle donations on our behalf. The vehicles are recycled or sold at auction. You will receive a tax receipt and the Foundation will receive a donation.

To learn more visit www.wdmhfoundation.ca/DonateYourCar



### Hospital. They have received a \$196,000 grant to evaluate transitions in care for elderly patients leaving the hospital to go home. Transitions are times when patients can fall through the cracks and experience setbacks that can cause unnecessary readmissions and complications. The goal is to gather valuable information and find solutions for WDMH and our patients.

**Researching Transitions** 

Congratulations to the WDMH Research Team as well as our

partners at Amprior Regional Health and Kemptville District



# **Get Ready to Party in 2021**





### **Sign Up Today!**

Because of You is online too. If you'd like to receive the newsletter right to your inbox, please sign up by clicking on the Home Page link today.

Please sign up at www.wdmhfoundation.ca

## **Keep In Touch**

We'd love to keep in touch! You can help today by volunteering, hosting a fundraising event or making a donation. Whatever you would like to do, we'd love to chat. Thank you!

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Did you know that the Ontario government does not fund medical equipment purchases for hospitals?