



REPORT TO  
**COMMUNITY**  
Supporting Care on the Coast

**FALL  
2017**



**SECHELT HOSPITAL**  
FOUNDATION

# THANK YOU FOR

## SUPPORTING SECHELT HOSPITAL AND HEALTHCARE NEEDS ON THE SUNSHINE COAST

Sechelt Hospital Foundation is a registered charitable organization dedicated to supporting excellence in healthcare across the Sunshine Coast, primarily at Sechelt Hospital. In addition to purchasing major life-saving technology such as CT scanners, echocardiography ultrasound machines and Emergency Room supports, we also raise funds for new facilities and renovations, medical equipment, research and ongoing health education for healthcare staff and the community.

The Foundation provides funding to initiatives such as the Staff Education Fund, which allows staff to pursue professional development through courses and training they might not otherwise be able to access. We fund Foundation House which provides a convenient home away from home for visiting physicians, specialists and other healthcare professionals who provide much needed services to our community. Not coincidentally, a number of those visiting professionals have since made the Coast their home, enriching our supply of healthcare providers.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Since 1995, the Sechelt Hospital Foundation, through the support of our donors, has raised and invested more than **\$14.5 million** in new medical equipment, facility improvements, and staff education.

### Sechelt Hospital Foundation Volunteer Board & Staff 2017 - 2018

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The Hospital Foundation is in a great position to support local healthcare thanks to the generous support of the Sunshine Coast community, donors, partners, board members and volunteers. Whether relaying the expressed gratitude of patients and their families or directly raising funds for equipment and facilities, we could not have done any of this without the generosity of our community.

Thank you for making the 'best medicine' a local reality. Stewarding your donations and honouring your intentions is our greatest responsibility.

**1200+** ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY  
ULTRASOUNDS

**3500+** DIGITAL  
MAMMOGRAMS

ULTRASOUNDS  
**9000+**

  
**6500+**  
CT  
SCANS

**137** MIND  
MATTERS  
MEDTALK  
ATTENDEES\*

**3** BABY  
PANDA  
NEWBORN CARE  
STATIONS

**190** AGING WELL MEDTALK ATTENDEES\*

*All statistics from 2016 except where noted with asterisk (2017).*

### DID YOU KNOW?

All equipment and furnishings in the Sechelt Hospital Tower and the soon-to-open Ambulatory Care Unit are funded by a generous community of donors.

Thanks to you, we are able to continually improve care in these areas.

### MATERNITY WARD

*"Thanks to you, we  
deliver bright beginnings."*

### ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY ULTRASOUND

*"Thanks to you, we can look  
into your heart."*



## IN 2016, THE HOSPITAL EXPERIENCED:

**16,000+** EMERGENCY  
ROOM VISITS

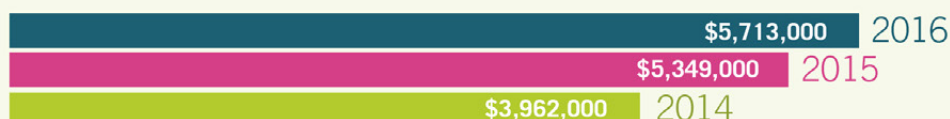
 **18,000**  
OVERNIGHT STAYS

**2,500**  
SURGERIES

**150** BIRTHS & BABIES  
SUPPORTED 

**205**  
MENTAL  
HEALTH  
INPATIENT  
VISITS

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS: YOUR IMPACT



Sechelt Hospital Foundation Fund Balance as of December 31



Total: \$4,163,000

An average of \$1,388,000 per year

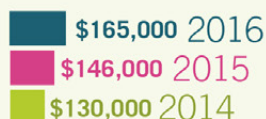
**Donations, Fundraising and Investment Income**



Total: \$1,242,000

An average of \$414,000 per year

**Funds Distributed**



Total: \$441,000

An average of \$147,000 per year

Equal to 11% Operating Cost

**Expenditures for Operations of Foundation**

Audited Financial Statements available upon request.



**AMBULATORY CARE UNIT**  
"Thanks to you, Ambulatory  
Care Unit Coming Soon."



## MENTAL HEALTH

*"Thanks to you, we are working in community!"*



## ON THE HORIZON FOR 2017-2018

*Our generous donors are helping move healthcare forward on the Sunshine Coast, supporting over \$2.5 million invested in four distinct initiatives:*

### **Ambulatory Care Unit: Expanding our capacity**

After a year of renovations, the \$6 million upgrade of the old section of Sechelt Hospital will be completed before the end of 2017 when we will cut the ribbon on the new Ambulatory Care Unit. This project will enhance ambulatory care and services through an increase in Chemotherapy, Medical Daycare, Haemodialysis and specialists' clinic capacity. Through this one project, many more Sunshine Coast residents can receive healthcare and services here at home, reducing the need to travel to Vancouver. The Foundation has committed \$1,115,000 for the equipment and furnishings required for the Ambulatory Care Unit and future 13-room care unit. The balance of funding for the project came from the Ministry of Health, Vancouver Coastal Health and Sunshine Coast Regional Hospital District.

### **Gibsons Community Health Unit: Creating better access to services**

In just a few weeks' time, a new health unit will open in Gibsons, consolidating Public Health, Home Care and Community Health teams in one facility, including pre-natal classes, health screening and family support services. The Foundation allocated \$600,000 to fund the equipment and furnishings required for the Community

Health Unit, including a new audiology booth and a hearing aid lab for pediatric hearing testing, not currently available on the Coast.

### **Mental Health & Addictions: On the road, moving in the right direction**

Seeing an undocumented need, the Foundation commissioned a comprehensive review of the Sunshine Coast's mental health and addiction needs and experiences. The report, funded by generous donors, was completed in early 2017 and makes numerous recommendations including a shared vision for a new facility, with enhanced services on the Coast in the future.

To support the Mental Health Vocational Rehabilitation Team, the Foundation funded the replacement of a tired and well-used work van to help service job sites where lives and landscapes are transformed.

### **Promoting Health and Wellness**

**MedTalks**  The community response to our initial health and wellness forums, 'Mind Matters' and 'Aging Well', has been very positive. Featuring expert speakers, access to workshops and local resources, MedTalks has promoted healthy conversations and connected residents with local support here on the Coast.

## GIBSONS COMMUNITY HEALTH UNIT

*"Thanks to you, we are moving into a new space!"*







## CARING BEYOND HOSPITAL WALLS

**76,000** HOME SUPPORT VISITS

HOME CARE  
NURSING VISITS **9,000**  
INCL. PALLIATIVE CARE

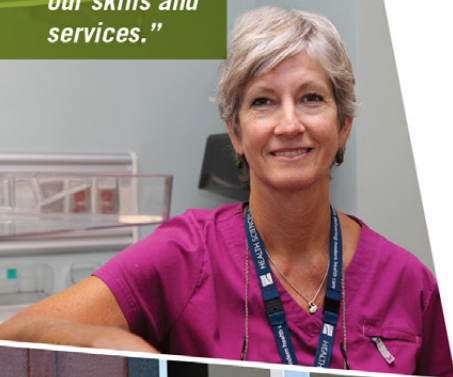
HOME SUPPORT  
CLIENTS **300** 

**826** HOME CARE REHABILITATION VISITS

*All statistics from 2016 performance and community experience.*

### EDUCATION FUND

*"Thanks to you,  
we improve  
our skills and  
services."*



## ..... STAFF STATISTICS

The Sunshine Coast healthcare and Sechelt Hospital teams represent over **600 dedicated professionals** who deliver care here on the Coast.

- **116 Registered Nurses**
- **36 Licensed Practical Nurses**
- **over 100 Care Aides**
- **20 Specialist Physicians**
- **88 General Physicians**
- **over 200 Housekeeping, Security, Stores, Pharmacy, Lab, Facilities Management and Food Services contract partners**



**FOUNDATION HOUSE**  
*"Thanks to you, we  
house the future."*

Sechelt Hospital Foundation is governed by an all-volunteer Board of Directors and its work is carried out by a small but efficient staff. Our doors are open every business day at Sechelt Hospital.

If you would like to be more involved or better understand how we determine priorities of the Foundation, please come see us next to Hospital Admitting, or visit our website at:

**[www.sechelthospitalfoundation.org](http://www.sechelthospitalfoundation.org)**  
or call **604-885-8637**.

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