

New Foundation Gladdens Humanity

Inspired by the need to support great causes, **The Gladstone Foundation** raises private funds for public needs that governments choose not to support. **Gladstone** addresses two essential life concerns: Armed Forces Veterans and the Environment.

Our first great cause is the **Invictus Games**, created by His Royal Highness, Prince Harry, to raise awareness of physical and mental challenges facing military men and women struggling back into civilian life. Gladstone also supports **Wounded Warriors Canada** and the efforts to keep Canada's last operational WW2 **Lancaster** bomber in the air.

Environmentally, **Gladstone** helps heal honey bees back into productivity. The entire global population faces extinction. **Gladstone** works with the **Ontario Beekeepers Association** in this regard.

Our Foundation brings forward an innovative fund raiser to support our life-quality mandate. **Living Tribute to Our Veterans** raises money through sales of wildflower seeds at multiple vendors throughout Canada. Visitors at numerous different locations buy a pack of wild

flower seeds at the suggested retail price of \$2. For each seed packet purchased, our Foundation will plant an equivalent amount of seeds in a **Gladstone Garden**. These gardens will be large-scale, wildflower profusions in such public spaces such as parks, school yards and along highways and byways. We enlist the support of professional gardeners and horticultural societies.

The artistically designed seed pack also contains two self-adhesive stickers boasting a brilliant orange, Cosmos wildflower, designed with a missing petal. This image reflects the loss of a limb or other deformities endured by the courageous **Invictus** Athletes and veterans in general. The empty-flower space also reminds us of the sense of lost well being inflicted by combat-related emotional distress. These heroic men and women sacrificed for our freedom, earning our respect, admiration, and awe.

"Where Have All the Flowers Gone?" implores the song. Gladstone seeds wildflower gardens in the hope we learn the exorbitant price of freedom. The motto of Gladstone Foundation's campaign is **'Your Service, Our Freedom, Thank You'**.

The Foundation focuses its initial launch on Ontario's Niagara and Durham Regions, while planning nationwide planting in 2019. Next, we roll the fund raiser throughout the British Commonwealth. **Gladstone** seeks the endorsement of **HRH, Prince Harry**, the Queen's Youth Ambassador for the British Commonwealth as well as Invictus Games patron.



(The Gladstone Foundation was founded in St Catharines, Ontario by **Richard W Stephens**, chairman and **James T. Abernethy**, vice chairman. **Matthew Leask of Lancaster, Brooks and Welch** is general counsel to the foundation.)

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Gladstone seed packs are available for non-profit organization fundraising opportunities.



Opinions and Views



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Bowmanville Redevelopment & Expansion Plan Moving Forward!

In order to provide you with a progress report on the Bowmanville Hospital Redevelopment and Expansion Plan, I recently contacted our local MPP, Lakeridge Health, and the Bowmanville Hospital Foundation for current information.

I learned that the Provincial funding formula for hospital projects such as ours requires the Ministry of Health to pay 90% of all capital costs, with the balance of funds coming from within the community. In addition, the community is responsible for 100% of the cost of all equipment required to operate the hospital.

So, over the next few years we will all have to work together to raise our share of those funds from within our community.

Lindsey Park, our MPP for Durham commented “The redevelopment and expansion of the Bowmanville Hospital is so important to our community. I will continue to be a strong voice of support as Lakeridge Health works with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to finalize its proposal and as it moves forward in the approval and planning process.

We need to continue to provide excellent health care close to home. I want

Durham to be the envy of the whole province when it comes to its community health care services.”

Tom McHugh, Executive Vice President, Patient Services, Regional Vice President Cancer Services, Lakeridge Health shares his thoughts on the Bowmanville Redevelopment.

Today, Durham Region is one of Ontario’s fastest growing communities. Between 2018 and 2031, the population of Clarington is expected to grow to roughly 140,000 people compared to the 95,000 people living in the area today. To keep pace with local health care needs, the Bowmanville Hospital will need to be modernized and expanded.

Meeting the needs of our growing and aging populations with our current buildings is becoming a significant challenge. Currently, Lakeridge Health hospitals combined have among the highest emergency department visits in the province. And with the demand for acute care projected to double between now and 2041, this challenge becomes even more urgent.

Updating Lakeridge Health facilities is also a top priority for local residents. In community consultations across Durham Region earlier this year, the need to improve Lakeridge Health’s buildings and infrastructure emerged as one of the key themes from more than 5000 points of feedback from thousands of residents.

Health care needs, the practice of medicine, and technologies have changed dramatically since the Bowmanville Hospital was constructed many years ago. The building was not designed for present-day health care needs, nor for the population growth we are experiencing in Clarington. We now understand how important the physical space – including light-filled and open spaces – are for a patient’s recovery process and quality of life.

This is why Lakeridge Health is working closely with the community and the Ontario government to ensure that Clarington residents continue to have timely access to the services they need most in a modern and accessible facility that promotes healing and wellbeing.

Last January, the government gave the green light for the Bowmanville Hospital redevelopment. This was great news for our community. We are now actively working with the Ontario government on a plan that will double the size of the hospital and add new enhancements, including a new emergency department, surgical services, diagnostic imaging and a roof-top helipad.

Redeveloping a hospital is a complex journey. It takes a number of years to get from the approval stage to breaking ground for a new hospital. As seen from the diagram (below), there is a rigorous process to get to construction.

Currently, we are at Stage 1 or the “Proposal Stage.” Here we show the overall size and scope of the future hospital as well as the types of services that could be provided.



Bowmanville Hospital Foundation has been busy!

Bowmanville Hospital Foundation has been busy since the Ontario Government announced funding approval for the redevelopment and expansion of Bowmanville Hospital this past January. The Foundation recruited a Campaign Task Force, made up of a group of dedicated and loyal community leaders, who have been providing invaluable input and feedback on the early stages of the campaign.

The Task Force and Board of Directors are now helping to develop the brand for the campaign as well as working to decide on key leadership who will be tasked with raising the funds needed from the community on top of the support already committed by the provincial government.

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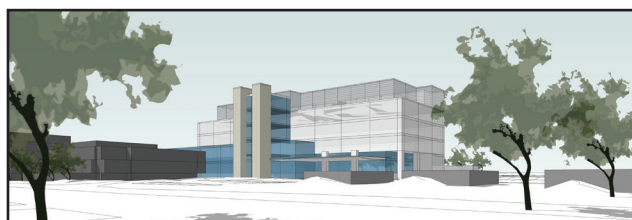


We are on track to give our Stage 1 submission to the Ontario Ministry of Health of Long-Term in spring 2019.

Next is Stage 2 – the “Functional Program” phase. This is when we consider how we will staff the new hospital, what kinds of equipment we will need and how much space is required. This phase could take up to two years.

During Stages 3 & 4 we will focus is on architectural planning and design. During these phases, it is common to make changes to adapt to new safety requirements and patient care standards. After Stage 3, we will have a better idea about how long it will take to start construction and open the new spaces.

We hope you are as excited as we are about the next phases of the Bowmanville Hospital redevelopment! We thank the community for its unwavering support as we continue the journey to build a state-of-the-art Bowmanville Hospital for generations to come.



Note to reader: this photo is a conceptual drawing of Bowmanville Hospital re-development and expansion plan. This image is subject to change based on final completion of the design (see Capital Approval Process chart above).

The momentum and excitement centred around the redevelopment and expansion is building. This is evident by the extraordinary gift of \$2 million committed by the Kemp Family this past summer. The Foundation’s Gala raised approximately \$357,184 gross, which is the most successful in the Foundation’s 32 year history of organizing the Gala.

The evening also motivated St. Mary’s Cement to make an impromptu \$250,000 gift to the new expansion. And, the Foundation is set to announce yet another leadership gift contribution that is sure to keep the excitement building around the much needed expansion to our hospital.

“The redevelopment and expansion of the Bowmanville Hospital is one of the most exciting projects to hit our community in a long time”, says Frank Cerisano, CEO of the Bowmanville Hospital Foundation. “The campaign has from its inception brought in all the elements that make raising money successful, we have the right volunteers, the right project, and the right community to guarantee a successful completion to the campaign. The Clarington community cares about its Hospital, and together we can, and will make the expansion a reality for its residents.”

Individuals, corporations and organizations are encouraged to share your fund raising ideas, or to make a donation. To learn more, visit: www.bowhf.com or call the Foundation office at 905-623-3331 ext. 1881.