



# Our Doors Are Open Thanks to You!

October was a milestone month for the new Humber River Hospital. The buzz started on October 1st with our official ribbon cutting ceremony. And just a few short weeks later on October 18th your new Humber River Hospital opened its door, ready to care for our community. We couldn't have done it without YOU – our caring and compassionate donors. The new Humber River Hospital is proof that when a community puts their heart and soul into something, amazing things can happen – thank you for being the heart of our new Hospital.

The move went very smoothly. In fact, our moving day was the largest single day inpatient move in Canadian history, with 351 patients moved from our three legacy sites (Church, Finch and Keele). Moving that many inpatients from three sites, while opening a brand new site, and doing it safely and efficiently, is a remarkable achievement.

*“Patients told us that they were thrilled with the new Hospital.”*

On moving day we delivered babies, performed surgery and did what we do every day for our community. You'll be able to read more about these Humber firsts in this issue of the newsletter.

Patients told us that they were thrilled with the new Hospital. Their comments were very positive about the new space, the technology, the single inpatient rooms, and of course the service and attention from our incredible staff.

But we really couldn't have done it without YOU—our caring and compassionate donors. Thank you for all you've done. An exciting new era in healthcare has just begun!



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**ROY SCAINI**  
Chair,  
Humber River Hospital Foundation

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to your new Humber River Hospital.

Humber River Hospital is my hospital — I was born at one of Humber’s legacy sites and grew up in this community. Humber holds a very special place in my heart, and it is both an honour and a privilege for me to be the new Board Chair of the Humber River Hospital Foundation.

I am so impressed with this amazing new Hospital. I have had the opportunity to watch our new Hospital take shape, from the initial ground breaking ceremony, right through to opening day. I have seen firsthand the impact of our donors’ contributions — every construction milestone, every clinic completed, every piece of equipment installed has been made possible by our donors. And, I continue to see that vital and vibrant impact now that the doors are open.

I am truly excited and ready for the adventure ahead, as we continue to work towards our goal of ensuring that Humber remains at the forefront of medical technology in Canada. Our Board of Directors and Campaign Cabinet are energized and motivated to bring our fundraising to new

heights for our community. The staff of the Foundation, under the leadership of President and CEO, Heather Hurst, is working hard everyday to support and guide these efforts.

Thank you for the part you have played to-date in helping build and equip our new Hospital. I look forward to working with each of you in the months and years ahead. We greatly appreciate your commitment and I ask that you continue to support the future of healthcare — your community hospital. In this regard, please join us, and encourage others to volunteer and get involved, so that together, we can continue to bring the world’s most advanced medical technologies to you.

I wish you, your family and loved ones the most joyous Holiday Season and a very Happy New Year. Thank you once again for supporting your new Humber River Hospital.

Yours sincerely,

Roy Scaini  
*Chair, Humber River Hospital Foundation  
Board of Directors*

## Thank You for Investing in Patient Care Reinvented.

**The following individuals and corporations have answered the call for better healthcare by recently pledging more than \$100,000 in support of the \$225 million campaign for the NEW Humber River Hospital.**

\$1,100,000 .....	Paul B. Helliwell Foundation
\$1,000,000 .....	byPeterandPauls.com Million Dollar Challenge In Partnership With PCL Constructors & Carpenters’ Union
\$400,000 .....	Anonymous
\$263,000 .....	North York Central Lions Club & Lions Clubs International Foundation
\$250,000 .....	Great-West Life, London Life and Canada Life
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\$150,000 .....	Hats On for Awareness
\$138,683 .....	Robert J. Spotton
\$105,123 .....	Thelma & Carl Anderson
\$100,000 .....	Emery Village BIA
\$100,000 .....	Walid & Randa Omran



## The Fusco Family Leads the Way

Tony Fusco Sr. is a loyal Humber donor who believes in the power of giving back. Supporting our new Hospital is a family affair for the Fuscos – recently the entire family came to see the inpatient rooms named in honour of their generous gift. For Tony it was vital for his children and grandchildren to see the impact and importance of contributing towards the health of their community.

“Hospitals are such a great way to help people. To take a sick person and heal them? To me, that’s the highest form of charity. We needed this new Hospital so badly, and I’m happy it’s finally here. I have faith in the new technology and am grateful to have a world class facility in our backyard. Supporting Humber River Hospital was something I could do to give back. I believe that if you can afford to, you can’t afford not to! I hope my family sees and feels what mattered to me and keeps it going.” -Tony Fusco Sr.

Thank you Tony and the entire Fusco family for your generosity and belief in the importance of giving back.



## Celebrating Success: The Million Dollar Challenge Gala Gift: \$1 million

We did it! Thanks to everyone who stepped up to the challenge on June 17th and helped raise \$1 million in one night. The Million Dollar Challenge fundraising gala event was a fun-filled celebration of the many people who worked over five million hours on the construction of the new Humber River Hospital site—without one lost time incident. Way to go team!

The presenting sponsors, byPeterandPauls.com, PCL Constructors and the Carpenters Union worked tirelessly to plan the event, secure sponsorship, and ensure all attendees had a fabulous evening. CTV News anchor Ken Shaw served as Master of Ceremonies, and Canadian singer/songwriter Jarvis Church performed.

Special thanks to all our generous event sponsors, including many sub trades who worked on the construction of the new Hospital.



## Investing In Our Community: Paul B. Helliwell Foundation Gift: \$1.1 million

Born in China to missionary parents, Paul Helliwell grew up in this community and believed in giving back to help everyone who lives here. An entrepreneur, visionary, mentor, humanitarian, sailor, animal lover, beloved husband and brother, Paul was a true philanthropist. Since his passing, the Paul B. Helliwell Foundation has continued its namesake’s tradition of philanthropy, supporting worthy causes.

Thank you to the Paul B. Helliwell Foundation for your generous gift of \$1.1 million in support of state-of-the art, patient-centred healthcare at the new Humber River Hospital!



## Our Hospital Family Shares the Love

Our heartfelt thanks go out to every one of the dedicated physicians, staff, volunteers, board members and campaign cabinet members who have donated to the Family Campaign since 2008.

For years, our Humber Family members have been on the front lines – from saving lives in our three legacy sites (and now our new Hospital) to advocating for our new Hospital in boardrooms across the city. But what they each have in common is a passion for the place we call home.

As members of our Humber Family, you are our most loyal champions! And it shows in the impact you've had on raising money for your new Hospital. Since the beginning of our campaign for the new Hospital in 2008, our family has raised almost \$9 million.

This support speaks volumes to our community, and demonstrates the strength, commitment and love for our Hospital by those who bleed Humber blue. You believe in Humber every single day, in so many ways. And for that, we thank you.

### Our First Baby



"I was honoured to deliver the first baby born at the new Humber River. The birth of this little boy within hours of our doors opening was very special for not just the family, staff and nurses involved, but for all Humber staff on moving day! I am also very proud of our team in Labor and Delivery who worked together within a few hours after moving in to make this happen. We are now able to offer an environment that reflects our family centered care model – large open rooms, double sleeper chairs, and space for family to relax."

– Dr. Ben Tse, Chief of Obstetrics and Gynecology

### Our First Pediatric Patient



"This hospital has been great – you have a pull out bed now for the comfort of the mother and father, and the crib is comfortable for the baby too. The washrooms are beautiful! Everything is so nice, they made it feel more homey now. And television, internet and Skype are offered in the room. Everyone has been so kind and helpful."

– Kenisha Broadbent  
(mom to Niah-Sky Serae Elliot, pictured here)

## Snapshots and Moments Just For You

On Opening Day, we took a few moments to speak with the first patients to come through the doors of their new Hospital. We wanted to share with you exactly what was happening! Here's what they had to say:

### Our First Emergency Patient



"I feel like a celebrity! I came at 5:30 this morning because my chest was feeling strange and I thought I'd better get checked out. I'm really impressed by the customer service and focus on the patient."

– Larry Zeppieri

### Our Amazing First Donor (6 a.m. opening day!)



"One thing that impressed me is the private rooms. When my husband was ill, I slept in a chair every night for several weeks until he passed away, and it was not very comfortable. I'm a donor because I think it is important that we give back to our community in any way that we can."

– Rita Sanford

## Equipment Update

Now that the new Hospital is open, it's more important than ever to continue your generous support. There are many pieces of vital, state-of-the-art equipment that still need funding.

The technology we have at Humber is truly extraordinary. Each piece plays a vital role in our larger digital vision – to use the latest technology to enhance patient centred care. Many of our equipment pieces, such as our Revolution CT and Discovery IGS are firsts in the GTA and allow us to be at the forefront of medical technology in Canada.

### Discovery IGS

Your new Humber River Hospital is the first hospital in the GTA to have three Discovery IGS imagers, recognized as one of the most powerful imaging systems in the world today. They give our care teams unparalleled interventional radiology imaging that can lead to less invasive surgery.



### Revolution CT

Your new Humber River Hospital is the first hospital in the GTA to have three Revolution CT scanners, among the most precise medical scanning technologies available in the world. They enable us to analyze complex heart and stroke conditions, providing quicker diagnosis for our patients.



Revolution CT

Equipment like our Revolution CT scanners and Discovery IGS imagers further advance our patient centered approach, and put Humber at the forefront of medical technology in Canada. But we need your help. Visit [hrhgive.ca](http://hrhgive.ca) today and donate to the Humber River Hospital Foundation, so we can continue to bring the world's most advance medical technologies to you.

## What is Patient-Centred Care?

Now that the new Hospital is open we thought you might like to learn more about our many areas of care. In each future newsletter issue we'll feature one specific area of the hospital providing exceptional patient-centred care. For this issue, we thought it would be appropriate to tell you a bit more about what patient-centred care really means!

What's at the very heart of patient-centred care? YOU! You and your loved ones are considered an integral part of your healthcare team. You're involved in decisions about your plan of care. Your cultural traditions, your personal preferences and values, your family situations and your lifestyle—all are taken into consideration.

The new hospital has been designed with you in mind, to be lean, green and digital!

*“Our new rooms are equipped with state of the art technology systems”*

### Lean

Our nine new Portals of Care entrances make it easier to get where you need to be—for patients, visitors, staff and physicians. This means less walking, quicker registration and reduced waiting for you and your loved ones!

### Green

We understand that your health is impacted by your surroundings, so the new Hospital has been designed to be one of the most energy efficient hospitals in North America, with a green roof and 100% fresh air.

### Digital

Personalized, intuitive and interactive digital technologies help improve communication and patient comfort as well as increase access to information.

Perhaps most importantly, the new Hospital has been designed with patient comfort and privacy in mind. 80% of the inpatient rooms are single patient, with space for family members to comfortably spend the night. Our new rooms are equipped with state-of-the-art technology systems, including a bedside terminal and 42-inch patient monitor in every room.

We believe that what is good for people is good for our hospital. That's why we've designed the new Humber River Hospital to help us deliver the very best in patient-centred care.

## H+ is for Health

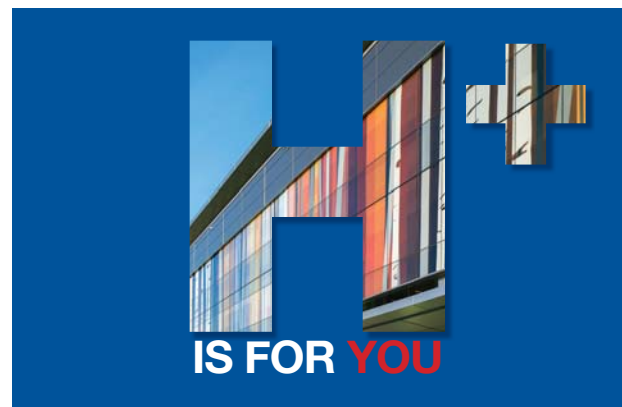
H+ is for Humber River. H+ is for Health. The health of your family, your loved ones, your neighbours. The health of our community. And H+ is for Here. We are here, together!

Our “H is for Health” holiday campaign was recently delivered to many generous supporters like you. It's a brief, storybook-style tour of the new hospital and some of the ways your gifts can help patients in our care.

You'll read about patients and their families like Maria and Vic in cardiology, Rosa in cancer care and little baby Sadie in maternal and child.

These stories will showcase how, with your support, we are combining state-of-the-art equipment with a commitment to putting patients at the heart of everything we do.

If you missed it, you can visit [www.hrhfoundation.ca](http://www.hrhfoundation.ca) to view the storybook online and make your holiday gift.

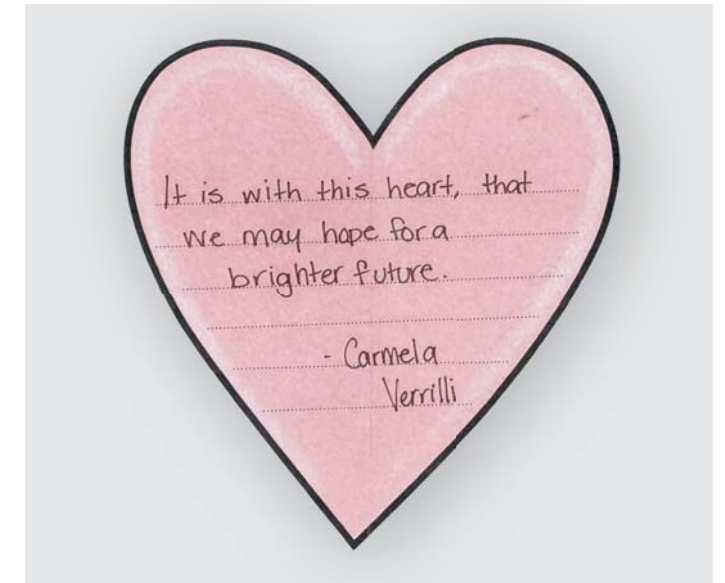


## Hearts Bursting With Love!

This Fall, we asked our donors to send in wishes of hope and healing for our patients and staff, as they moved into the new hospital. We weren't entirely sure what to expect, but we were overwhelmed and overjoyed by the number of caring, thoughtful messages written on little red hearts that flooded our mailboxes each day over the last two months!

Thank you for helping cover the walls of your new Hospital with hearts! Here is just one of the wonderful messages we received:

*“It is with this heart, that we may hope for a brighter future.”*



## The Teskey Family: Honouring a Beloved Mother, Father and Nephew

The Teskeys are no strangers to Humber River Hospital. All five Teskey children were born here. Many still live—and work—in the neighbourhood. Their mom, Gertrude, was a nurse, and both she and her husband Howard had surgery at the hospital.

One of their nephews, Phillip Teskey, was treated and subsequently passed away at one of Humber's legacy sites. The family experienced some of the limitations of our older buildings, like having tough discussions about their family member without a lot of privacy.

And so, when the opportunity came up to honour their dear family members with a gift, Gertrude and Howard Teskey's children jumped at the chance. They're thrilled that the new Humber River Hospital will offer other families a more private, patient-centred experience. From the climate and light-controlled rooms, to the dedicated quiet rooms and family courtesy suites, the new hospital was designed for patient and family comfort.

In recognition of the gift from the Teskey Family, two rooms will be named in honour of Gertrude, Howard & Phillip. One is a quiet/consultation room on the Inpatient Wing that will care for patients with cancer. This will be a dedicated space for families to discuss complex and often difficult issues about the care of loved ones. The second room is a counselling office in Cancer Care.



Cheryl Teskey says: “It makes me smile to think about the privacy and comfort families will experience, instead of a chaotic hallway. The spaces are so calm and peaceful. It can be such an overwhelming time when you're in hospital. It's important for patients to feel calm, and empowered. They'll get that here.”

Her brothers, Roy and Mark, add: “We had the best doctors already—now we have the best space! It's obvious that much thought went into making it the best patient experience possible. This hospital is truly unbelievable. This gift—any gift to Humber—is an investment in your healthcare. If you live in this community, you're going to need this hospital.”

Excitement for the new Humber River Hospital spread far and wide across our community this past year. Each construction milestone added further fuel to fire deep within the hearts of business owners, residents and organizations who came together like never before to celebrate our new Hospital.

Our heartfelt thanks to all the organizers, volunteers and participants who made all of these events a tremendous success. The new Humber River Hospital is truly a hospital built by the community, for the community.

From April to November 2015, the following fundraising events have been held in our community, cumulatively raising over \$100,000 for the ongoing needs of our new Hospital:

**McHappy Day – May 6**



**CIBC Fundraising Day – June 26**



**Giro D’Niagara – Aug 9**



**Ciociaro Club Fundraising Dinner – April 30**



**Temple Sinai Golf Tournament – May 26**



**Taste of Downsview – July 11-12**



**Veneto Centre Annual Golf Tournament – Aug 11**



**Shoppers Drug Mart Growing Women’s Health Sept 12- Oct 9**



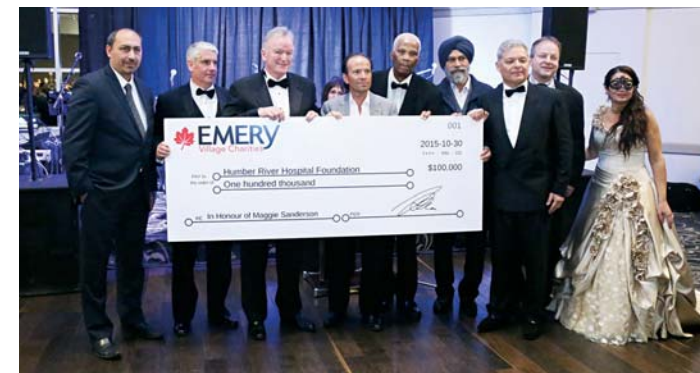
**AAA Vacuum 40th Anniversary BBQ – Oct 10**



**School fundraising: St. Basil-the-Great College School, Downsview Public School, St. Conrad Elementary School**



**Emery Village BIA Awards Gala – Oct 30**



**Shoppers Drug Mart Fundraising Dinner - Sept 19**



**Ladies Auxiliary of CIBPA Fashion Show – Oct 21**



**Bill’s Haunted House - October**



**Downsview Airport 8K and 5K - Nov 15**



Thank you to all our event committee members who volunteer their time and expertise for all of our fundraising events. We couldn't do it without you!

## The River Ball: Impressions by the River

**May 7, 2015**  
**\$920,000 (net) raised**

An impressive performance by famed comedian Andre-Philippe Gagnon, together with an inspiring appearance by Olympic Champion Donovan Bailey, helped make the 2015 River Ball the most successful one to date. Humber's "No Limits" award - created to recognize special individuals in our community who stand as extraordinary examples of Humber's vision for the future - was awarded to Jack and Pat Kay for their steadfast support of the Hospital. Special thanks to everyone who made The River Ball the most impressive night of the year!



## YOU+ The Women's Event

**November 12, 2015**  
**\$220,000 (net) raised**

Thank you for helping to make our house a home. Over 650 guests and sponsors joined us for this 12 annual event, billed as an epic housewarming party for our new Hospital. From the hilarious Debra DiGiovanni, to our energetic live auction - featuring the men from the 2016 Toronto Firefighters' Calendar and Michael Wekerle - the event was a fun filled evening we'll remember for years to come!



## AWESOME Invitational Golf Tournament

**August 17, 2015**  
**\$224,000 (net) raised**

Thank you to all our golfers and sponsors who helped make our 32nd annual tournament a huge success. Guests enjoyed the day on the course as well as our dinner festivities which featured our most exciting and successful live auction to date thanks to our sponsors, including: Air Canada, Dufferin Aggregates and Masters Insurance.

**Really, Really AWESOME Sponsors:**



## Team Revolution

What started as a dream to improve healthcare in our community in 2011, has now grown to a cycling club of over 90 riders, and \$1.2 million (net) raised for the new Humber River Hospital. The team is looking forward to conquering a new challenge, the Granfondo Terracina on September 18, 2016, to bring the Team's total fundraising goal to \$2 million for the new Hospital.

How will they reach the finish line? With your support. Visit [www.theteamrevolution.ca](http://www.theteamrevolution.ca) and sponsor a rider today!

**Presenting Sponsor:**



## Our Campaign Cabinet

Your new Humber River Hospital, North America's first fully digital hospital, opened this October 18th beginning the next chapter in our journey to reinvent patient care. This state of the art facility is enabling our physicians and staff to deliver healthcare in new and innovative ways, and is a model of efficiency for hospitals around the world.

The celebrations have been many, and for good reason - we've raised \$71.8 million towards our \$225 million goal to equip our new Hospital with the best medical resources available. Leading the fundraising charge has been our dynamic Campaign Cabinet - a team of 52 professionals from the across the GTA and beyond who have come together to change the course of patient care.

Our volunteers are insightful, highly talented and highly passionate! From hosting cultivation events, to bringing new donors to Humber, to offering advice on best practices and new ideas on how to raise much needed funds - our Cabinet members generously share their skills in the true spirit of volunteerism and philanthropy.

The Cabinet is led by long-time volunteers Jack Kay and Fausto Gaudio, co-chairs, and Pam Wing, vice chair, who have the following sentiments to share:

"Never before have we seen this level of engagement, excitement and endorsement from our community. Realizing our commitment to reinventing patient care is truly a group effort. Our Campaign Cabinet represents the unifying nature of our new Hospital. Our volunteers were really strangers in many ways, but have now come together and become a dedicated, focused team. We've made great progress, and with the support of this terrific team, we know our fundraising goal will be reached - so we can continue to bring the world's best medical resources to you."

For more information on the Campaign for the New Humber River Hospital, please contact David Gilmer, Vice President, Campaign and Development at 416-242-1000 ext. 81515 or [dgilmer@hrh.ca](mailto:dgilmer@hrh.ca).



### Donation Form

YES I would like to make a monthly gift to Humber River Hospital Foundation in the amount of: \_\_\_\_\_ per month

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I authorize HRH Foundation to send me e-mail updates on the fundraising activities of the Foundation and updates on the new Humber River Hospital. I understand that I can change my preferences at any time by contacting the Foundation at 416-242-1000 ext. 81500 or via e-mail [foundation@hrh.ca](mailto:foundation@hrh.ca).

Receipts for income tax purposes are issued for donations of \$20 or more. Donations of less than \$20 are receipted upon written request. Unless otherwise requested, monthly donors receive a consolidated tax receipt every January for the previous year's giving.



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# Donate today to help bring the world's best medical technologies to you!

On October 18, 2015 the new Humber River Hospital opened, beginning the next chapter in our journey to reinvent patient care. Patient care reinvented – it's what sets us apart from other medical facilities. A leading edge, fully digital hospital built on a foundation of respect, dignity, compassion and caring.

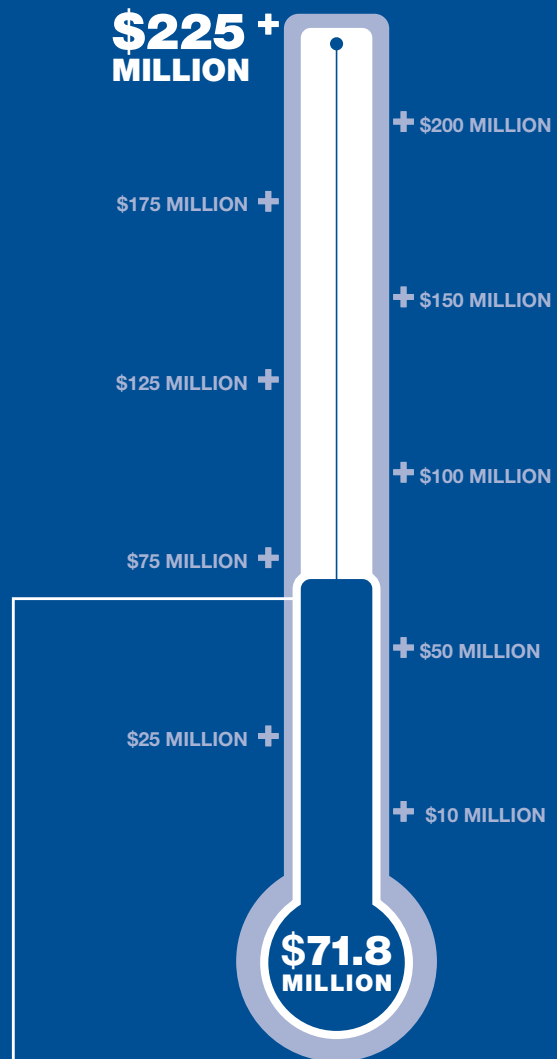
But our mission to bring world class healthcare to the GTA is not over. To date, the Foundation has raised \$71.8 million towards our \$225 million goal. Help us continue to bring the world's most advanced medical technologies to you, your loved ones and generations to come by supporting the Foundation today.

## Ways to Give

- Stocks & Securities
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- Gifts-in-Kind
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- Community and Third-Party Events

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**Your support is vitally important. Get involved today and help us bring the world's most advanced medical technologies to you.**

