

ANNUAL REPORT

ROYAL UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

2020-2021



THE YEAR THAT CHANGED
HEALTH CARE FOREVER

FACING THE PANDEMIC
TOGETHER



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Thank you to Royal University Hospital Foundation's Board of Directors! This incredibly generous and hard-working group of volunteers provided leadership throughout a challenging year while remaining focused on the Strategic Plan of the Foundation. COVID-19 required everyone to work differently including our Board who pivoted to virtual meetings to maintain their strong governance to enhance health care through philanthropy during these extraordinary times.

Thank you!



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REPORT OF THE VOLUNTEER CHAIR AND CEO

Looking back over the past year and how challenging it was, there are many ways to describe how we got to “extraordinary.” First, our donor community enabled Royal University Hospital (RUH) Foundation to raise \$11.3 million. We are incredibly grateful to each one of you for stepping forward during this challenging time, a time when lights shone brightly on the importance of our health-care system. From the moment the pandemic began, every aspect of care at RUH changed. We continue to see what RUH’s extraordinary teams do every day and we remain proud to work alongside them to engage donors to accelerate health care now and into the future. We would not be able to do what we do without the dedication and support from donors and our volunteers – so thank you!

We realized early on that COVID-19 would put incredible stress on the health-care system and that extra support was needed to ensure optimal care for the people in our community. On April 2, we were proud to collaborate with our sister foundations in Saskatoon, to launch the COVID-19 Hospital Fund to



support unmet priorities and efforts at our four hospitals.

Like you, we had to pivot quickly in April. Our extraordinary staff came together while working remotely to adjust engagement efforts, check in with donors, and redesign communication materials and events – all while going virtual. Our three virtual Women Leading Philanthropy (WLP) sessions presented to women donors included virtual voting for a \$100,000 WLP Grant; we delivered a virtual radiothon across Saskatchewan on January 28 and 29 at which time we officially launched the Mission Possible: Operation New O.R. Campaign raising \$421,585 for the transformation of the 43-year-old operating rooms

at RUH. A week later, an anonymous donor stepped forward with a matching \$425,000 donation! An extraordinary start to a critically important campaign. The need to secure and integrate new technology, equipment, and pre- and post-operative space is crucial now due to the huge surgical backlog caused by the pandemic. On behalf of the Royal University Hospital Foundation Board of Directors and staff, thank you for ensuring RUH is ready for any challenge – even a global pandemic!

Irene Boychuk
RUH Foundation
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RUH Foundation
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ROYAL UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL FOUNDATION 2018–2021 STRATEGIC PLAN

OUR VISION

Inspiring Health-Care Philanthropy

THE VALUES WE LIVE BY

Stewardship • Collaboration •
Inclusiveness and Diversity •
Excellence • Innovation

OUR PURPOSE

To create excellence in health care
by raising funds that anticipate and
respond to needs for innovative
research, education and patient care
at Royal University Hospital.

OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- Grow Fundraising Programs to
Maximize Impact on Investment
- Inspire Innovation and Efficiency
- Build and Nurture Strategic Partnerships
- Tell the Royal University Hospital Story

MESSAGE FROM THE



On behalf of the Saskatchewan Health Authority, I would like to thank Royal University Hospital Foundation for their contribution to improving the care experience and outcomes for patients and families across Saskatchewan.

2020 was not the year any of us had planned. As health-care providers, the global pandemic brought with it more challenges than we have seen in any of our collective lifetimes. The foundation sector was also impacted, however, Royal University Hospital Foundation persevered to continue their commitment to transform patient-care spaces and fund innovations, leading to better patient outcomes.

As the global pandemic hit us, Royal University Hospital Foundation collaborated with the three other Saskatoon hospital foundations to establish the COVID-19 Hospital Fund. This partnership raised over half a million dollars in support of frontline workers, patients and families during difficult times. I want to thank RUH Foundation for their role in making this partnership come to fruition.

Foundation contributions will support a dedicated Epilepsy Monitoring Unit and provide much welcomed Fellowship training opportunities through the Trauma Legacy Fund. One of the Foundation's major initiatives this past year saw the launch of the Mission Possible:



Scott Livingstone, Saskatchewan Health Authority CEO

Operation New O.R. Campaign, which will stretch over the next few years to upgrade the technology in the operating rooms as well as equip the recovery and waiting spaces. New technologies will allow patients to receive the highest quality care ensuring the most up-to-date medical procedures can be conducted right here at home, safely, with less wait times and a quicker recovery.

Our patients, residents and families benefit from the generosity of donors and volunteers each and every day. Amidst a very difficult year, Royal University Hospital Foundation and their donors demonstrated that the people of Saskatchewan will stand up and support what matters most in a time of need. For that, we are grateful.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Livingstone".

Scott Livingstone
Saskatchewan Health Authority CEO

A YEAR IN REVIEW

This year looked different than others but the gratitude we feel for our donors and the tremendous work of the hospital medical teams, staff and leadership is still as strong as always.

Thank you!



2020 WLP \$100,000 Grant Recipient, Dr. Laura Hopkins, BSc, MSc, MD, FRCSC, Gynecologic Oncologist

Women donors to the RUH Foundation Women Leading Philanthropy (WLP) Program made pivoting look easy as we went virtual in 2020. Donors enjoyed the June meeting from the safety and comfort of their own homes – or backyard. And there was still plenty of excitement at the September voting meeting as Dr. Laura Hopkins was awarded the \$100,000 WLP Grant for her project "Enhanced Recovery for Gynecologic Oncology (ERGO) – Improving the Surgical Experience of Women with Cancers of the Reproductive Tract."



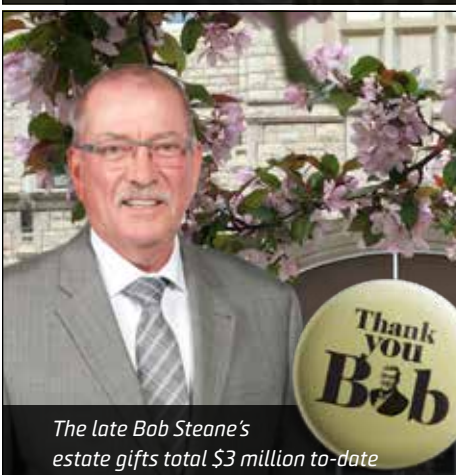
New signage donated by RUH Foundation at RUH's Old Main Entrance in honour of the Hospital's 65th anniversary



Grateful Patient Greg Keller at the Royal University Hospital Radiothon



Colorectal Surgeon, Dr. Nathan Ginther, BSc, MD, FRCSC, at the Royal University Hospital Radiothon



The late Bob Steane's estate gifts total \$3 million to-date

The late Bob Steane's estate gift continued to benefit patients at RUH through an additional \$1.5 million in 2020 bringing the total donated to-date to \$3 million. This gift will support medical imaging and trauma priorities included in the Mission Possible: Operation New O.R. Campaign.

Photo Credit: Dr. Brittany Ellis



Thank you to our health-care teams who have been working tirelessly for over a year throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Please know that you are appreciated, you are respected, you are supported, and we are beyond proud of you.



Many patients, family members and staff are looking forward to the day when the St. John Ambulance Saskatchewan Therapy Dogs are back to work at RUH, but for now you can still see these beautiful little doggo faces on these stand-ups in Emergency and Laboratory Medicine that were funded through the COVID-19 Hospital Fund. Thank you to everyone who applied for funding at the four hospitals and to everyone who donated to the Fund.



Dr. Suzanne Harriman, MD, FRCSC, Trauma Team Lead at RUH, became one of the faces behind the Mission Possible: Operation New O.R. Campaign.



Facing the Pandemic Together: A Heartfelt Thank You

"We're all in this together" became the motto of 2020 around the world and in every area of our life. It was no different for Royal University Hospital. Royal University Hospital (RUH) Foundation collaborated with our sister foundations from Saskatoon City Hospital, St. Paul's Hospital and Jim Pattison Children's Hospital to create the COVID-19 Hospital Fund to accept support from generous donors who wanted to help address the urgent needs of frontline and support workers and patients. RUH Foundation was invited to join The Frontline Fund, a national hospital foundation partnership to receive donations from pan Canadian corporations, diverse businesses, family foundations and many individuals. Thanks to your generous support of the COVID-19 Hospital Fund, RUH Foundation has raised \$298,132 at March 31. Over \$500,000 was raised collectively.

Heartfelt support shown to our health-care workers and in-hospital patients came in many forms. People came out on their front steps or balconies in April to bang pots, wave and make music to shine a light on the efforts of our medical and support teams. Businesses and individuals provided cash and in-kind donations. Affinity Credit Union made a \$20,000 gift. Others quickly followed, such as Westcap Management Ltd. with a \$250,000 donation to purchase 330 tablets to allow hospital patients across the province to stay connected with families and friends at a time when family and visitors weren't allowed in the hospital. For the owners and staff of the local M&M Food Market, it was important to show support to the people that help keep the hospitals safe and clean and so they provided RUH's 250

housekeeping staff with \$25 gift cards to enjoy a meal with their families.

Janna Dutton, a local Tim Hortons owner, donated 2,250 free coffee cards for frontline workers at RUH. Saskatchewan Blue Cross made wearing masks all day more comfortable by providing custom-made ear savers for all employees across the province. Muskeg Media and National Brand Communications helped spread the word about the COVID-19 Hospital Fund through donated billboards.

Indeed, the COVID-19 Hospital Fund donations were put to good use immediately based on requests made by hospital staff and their departments to address urgent needs for patients or staff morale. Telephone cards were provided for patients being released from the Dubé Centre to stay connected to their out-patient programs by phone. For the month of May, the usual user-pay service for televisions in every patient room was covered by the COVID-19 Hospital Fund allowing patients to access the internet and

connect with family and friends using services like Skype or FaceTime. Donors helped purchase priority equipment such as the QUANTA-Lyser 3000 instrument, which provides optimal quality testing and allows laboratory staff to process a high volume of samples in less time, ultimately serving more patients faster. This particular equipment is an asset in dealing with the pandemic, and it will also benefit patients with immunological and autoimmune diseases in the long-term.

Truly, 2020 was a year when we honoured our frontline workers in hospitals and in many other organizations that serve the public every day. In the spirit of the COVID-19 Hospital Fund, the Royal University Hospital Foundation team joins everyone in the community in thanking our medical and support teams for their hard work, their dedication and their continued care during these challenging times. And we also thank the many donors who have and continue to contribute to help staff and patients. We are indeed facing this pandemic together.



Lynn Zinger, Certified Cardiac Device Specialist in the Cardiac Device Clinic at RUH, (left) was thrilled to get her donated morning coffee and a thank you from Tim Hortons owner Janna Dutton (right)



While both Dr. José Téllez-Zenteno, former Head of the Saskatchewan Epilepsy Program and RUH Foundation donor Vetha Paine have both passed away this past year, their commitment, dedication and passion to bettering the lives of epilepsy patients lives on

New Dedicated Epilepsy Monitoring Unit Will Soon be a Reality

For over 10,000 individuals across Saskatchewan suffering from epilepsy, it is welcome news to know that the space is identified and final blueprints have been approved for a dedicated four-bed Epilepsy Monitoring Unit (EMU) at Royal University Hospital (RUH). Construction is planned for 2021–2022.



Myrna Knight wanted to help anyone diagnosed with epilepsy

Epilepsy, a neurological disorder manifested by abnormal electrical activity in the brain, can be debilitating and life-threatening for some patients due to severe headaches, seizures, loss of consciousness and other unpredictable symptoms. Although some patients' epilepsy can be managed through medication, there are many for whom the only option may be specialized brain surgery, but first they need an in-hospital assessment.

Over 500 patients are referred to be assessed through the provincial Saskatchewan Epilepsy Program at RUH every year. Unfortunately, there are only two beds dedicated to the observation and monitoring of epilepsy patients to

assess whether brain surgery might be a treatment, which means long wait times of up to two years. If all goes as planned, by year-end there will be a new four-bed dedicated EMU on the sixth floor Neurology Unit at RUH.

The new EMU will be equipped with the latest EEG Telemetry and video equipment to observe epilepsy patients. In addition, to keep patients safe and prevent secondary injury during a seizure, the dedicated EMU will be furnished with soft-surfaced bed railings, rounded furniture, padded flooring, and washroom facilities.

Thanks to the unwavering dedication of the late Dr. José Téllez-Zenteno, his team and the advocacy of hundreds of patients and their families, the EMU became a priority. Thanks to the generosity of donors, \$1.25 million was raised by RUH Foundation with \$1.35 million in annual operational funding committed from the provincial government. "Unfortunately, Dr. Téllez-Zenteno passed away before he could see the new EMU, but it was his passion and advocacy that made the soon-to-be built EMU a reality. We are grateful for his dedication to his patients, his passion for research, his willingness to step forward to speak to the importance of improved programs for people living with epilepsy, and for the many years of mentorship he provided to his team," says Arla Gustafson, CEO of RUH Foundation.

Through the campaign in support of the new EMU, Saskatchewan people realized how many individuals are affected by epilepsy. People like the late Myrna Knight from Regina who bequeathed a large donation through her estate in support of the Epilepsy Program.

"When her nieces were diagnosed with epilepsy, Myrna realized the struggles and hardships they had in dealing with the diagnosis. She wanted not only to help her family, but anyone going through this," says Myrna's sister Gloria.

Since 1988, Vetha Paine made the Saskatchewan Epilepsy Program her priority and gave a gift of \$30,401 prior to her passing in April while requesting that donations in her memory be made to RUH Foundation.

"We can't thank the people of Saskatchewan enough. Having a provincial dedicated Epilepsy Monitoring Unit at RUH will improve access, reduce wait times and allow people living with epilepsy to know faster if surgery is an option for them. We couldn't do this without the Saskatchewan Epilepsy Program's team's commitment and without Saskatchewan people's generosity," concludes Arla Gustafson.

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Dr. Jayden Cowan, 2020–2021 Fellow, is humbled to have received financial support from the Robert A. Steane Trauma Fellowship through the Legacy Fund for Trauma Care and looks forward to returning to Saskatoon this August following his sub-specialty training in thoracic anesthesiology

Fellowship Program Continues to Support Specialist Training

Over the past two decades, Royal University Hospital (RUH) Foundation has invested \$1.67 million in donor support to advance specialist care for patients at RUH through Fellowships for forty-eight specialists for their sub-specialty training!

Saskatchewan Health Authority's Fellowship Program provides the opportunity to physicians to pursue a sub-specialty after their residency. The road to a Fellowship is long. After four years of medical school, graduates are called "Doctor," but they are not done yet. They then start their two- to five-year Residency training as family doctors or in a specialty area such as anesthesia, emergency medicine, neurology, or cardiology to name only a few. After the completion of their Residency, some pursue sub-specializations – that is the Fellowship. Upon completion of their Fellowship, funded Fellows commit to return to RUH for at least a pre-determined period to treat patients and share their newly acquired skills with colleagues.

Although some Fellowship training can take place in Saskatchewan, many Fellows who are accepted for a sub-specialty have to uproot their family and move to another city in Canada or the USA. Such has been the case this past year for Dr. Jayden Cowan, a 2020–2021 Fellow in the sub-specialty of thoracic anesthesiology. Thanks to funding from the Legacy Fund for Trauma Care and the Robert A. Steane Trauma Fellowship, Dr. Cowan has been at the University of Calgary Foothills Medical Centre since September 2020 and is slated to return to RUH this August.

"It is incredibly humbling to receive

financial support through RUH Foundation's Legacy Fund for Trauma Care. This has enabled me to further sub-specialize my anesthesia expertise. I am proud to have grown up in Saskatchewan and was fortunate enough to complete my undergraduate, medical and postgraduate anesthesiology training through the University of Saskatchewan. And I look forward to returning to full-time practice in Saskatoon this summer," states Dr. Cowan.

As a thoracic anesthesiologist, Dr. Cowan will provide anesthetic care to patients with injuries to and diseases inside the chest. This care allows surgeons to repair the windpipe, lungs and structures in between the lungs. These procedures require specialized techniques and equipment to safely breathe for the patient while also creating space within the chest to allow the surgeon to operate. Thoracic anesthesiologists like Dr. Cowan are also trained in various pain-relieving procedures that enhance patient recovery and comfort while in hospital.

"Nearly four hundred planned thoracic surgeries occur in Saskatoon each year, not including patients suffering from traumatic injuries to their chest. I am honored to help provide these services to the people of Saskatchewan and to expand thoracic anesthesia education to resident physicians specializing in anesthesiology," says Dr. Cowan.

For the Department of Anesthesiology, Perioperative Medicine and Pain Management, it is important to be able to retain bright young specialists like Dr. Cowan. "Our Department is deeply grateful to RUH Foundation for the assistance in recruiting Dr. Jayden

Cowan in the form of his Fellowship funding. Dr. Cowan's expertise in thoracic anesthesiology will be invaluable in leading our Department in delivering high quality patient care and research in this field," states Dr. Kevin Laskowski, Saskatoon Area Lead for the Department.



Dr. Kevin Laskowski, Area Lead for the Department of Anesthesiology, Perioperative Medicine and Pain Management at RUH

From 2019 until present, RUH Foundation has received over \$3 million from the Estate of Robert (Bob) Steane in support of the Legacy Fund for Trauma Care which includes provisions to support Fellowships, such as Dr. Cowan's, for the next 10 years. The Legacy Fund was established in 2018 in honour of the Humboldt Broncos, lives lost and changed forever, to build on and enhance RUH's Trauma Program. Arla Gustafson, CEO of RUH Foundation, highlights that Fellowships are made possible by Saskatchewan's people; "This is the 18th year that RUH Foundation has been able to fund Fellowship training thanks to the generosity of donors such as Bob Steane and countless others. It is wonderful to be able to support the advanced training of our local physicians, filling potential gaps in services and helping ensure that Saskatchewan patients can receive the best specialty care possible right here in our province."



The Felske family, together after surgery and their life returning to a new normal

Mission Possible: Operation New O.R. Campaign Underway

"I spent five long days on bed rest, waiting for an operating room to open up. I was filled with anxiety waiting for the surgery that would determine if I would ever walk again," says Karsten Felske who was rushed to Royal University Hospital (RUH) in November 2019, after a car accident on icy winter roads outside of Prince Albert. Like Karsten, many patients have to wait for surgery due to a backlog in cases and only a few operating rooms (O.R.) can be used for this type of complex surgery.

"I had no doubt Karsten would walk again. We have the highest caliber of surgeons, nurses and medical teams who work together in the O.R., but we are limited by the lack of space and infrastructure needed for the newest technology and equipment," says Dr. Daryl R. Fourney, Karsten's surgeon and Director of Research for the Department of Surgery.

The O.R.s at RUH – Saskatchewan's busiest hospital – are outdated and too small. Although the existing 43-year-old operating rooms at RUH benefited from new flooring and lighting ten years ago, they are due for a complete transformation. In December 2019, RUH Foundation's Board approved the Saskatchewan Health Authority's request to fundraise to improve surgical services including the O.R.s at RUH. On January 28, 2021 at the annual Radiothon, RUH Foundation launched the Mission Possible: Operation New O.R. Campaign, to raise \$20 million to build and equip new state-of-the-art operating rooms and pre- and post-operative recovery rooms. The mission is to reduce wait times, improve patient outcomes and

help retain and recruit surgical and medical teams to RUH.

The vision for the new O.R.s includes new lighting, HVAC, audiovisual, and specialized equipment. New fully integrated O.R.s will allow seamless communication and offer the latest technology mounted on booms so surgical teams have more floor space to move and perform procedures safely.

and a new echo cardiograph ultrasound system to name a few items.

Karsten Felske says, "The surgery went well and fortunately on day three post-surgery, I was able to stand. After 15 days in hospital, I was able to walk out and go home to my wife and daughter. My wife, Jen, and I are so incredibly grateful for the care and support we received at RUH."



Dr. Daryl R. Fourney, Karsten's surgeon and Director of Research for the Department of Surgery

New robotics will provide surgeons even greater accuracy, flexibility and control as they operate. Finally, the new O.R.s will be complete with new recovery and waiting spaces to enhance the privacy and comfort of patients and their families prior to and post-surgery. "Modern technologies and more space will allow medical procedures to be conducted right here at home, safely, with shorter wait times and quicker recovery," states Dr Fourney.

Thanks to donor support over the past year, new surgical equipment totalling \$1.25 million has already been ordered for our O.R.s including three new surgical beds, an OSI spine table and head positioner, new anesthesia machines and monitors, a mini CT Fluoroscopic Arm,

Karsten's story is one of 10,000 adult surgeries performed at RUH in any "normal" year. On average, Canadians go through three surgeries in their lifetime. That means any one of us or our family members will need surgery at some point. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many surgeries have been pushed back. With the Mission Possible: Operation New O.R. Campaign underway and with Saskatchewan people's continued support to help raise the \$20 million needed, Royal University Hospital will be closer to being able to begin construction allowing RUH's surgical teams to address the backlog and deliver the best possible care in Saskatchewan's newest O.R.s.

THANK YOU!

We would like to recognize and thank these special individuals, organizations, corporations, businesses and anonymous friends who donated to Royal University Hospital Foundation during the fiscal year of April 1, 2020, to March 31, 2021.

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Marilyn Scutt

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*After she was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2006, Marilyn Scutt began looking for ways to support the fight against it. She makes and sells re-imagined greeting cards to raise funds. She organized a support group through Parkinson Society Saskatchewan. She entered a Parkinson Society Saskatchewan essay contest and won a trip to attend the World Parkinson's Conference in Montreal. And, not least of all, in 2016 she inspired her family to start the 10,000 Kettlebell Challenge with proceeds going to the Dr. Ali Rajput Endowment for Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Research at Royal University Hospital. The 10,000 Kettlebell Challenge has raised over \$14,000 to-date! Thank you Marilyn and family!

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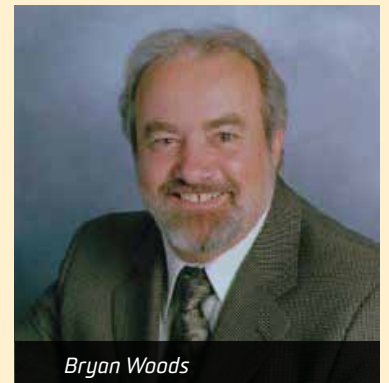
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*In 2010, Bryan Woods lost his battle with cancer but his legacy as a skilled and respected clinician, teacher and leader in the field of social work has not been forgotten.

Since 2011, The Friends of Bryan Woods Memorial Lecture Committee have planned and hosted eight lectures, each offering a unique opportunity for learning and fellowship while raising money in support of The Bryan Woods Memorial Scholarship. Eight scholarships have been awarded to a social worker to assist with formal education or training to further his or her knowledge and skills in a specific area of practice.

Although the lecture series has now come to an end, RUH Foundation will continue to administer the Bryan Woods Scholarship Fund to support an annual \$1,000 scholarship for SHA Social workers in Saskatoon and at Royal University Hospital.

As Bryan's wife Terri said, "Bryan would have been very surprised and pleased to know that ten years after his death, he is still making a contribution to social work practice in our community."



Bryan Woods

ENDOWMENTS & FUNDS FOR RUH

Endowments give back year after year — an investment in the health of future generations. The principal sum remains untouched, while the distributable earnings are used to support a priorities at Royal University Hospital. Funds are held and disbursed according to the terms set out in the donor agreement. RUH Foundation manages a range of endowments and funds valued at \$18.21 million.

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Cameco Chair in Indigenous Health and Wellness Fund – awarded to a physician in Indigenous Health at the University of Saskatchewan's College of Medicine and Saskatchewan Health Authority's Royal University Hospital.

Canada Life Scholarship Endowment – scholarships for the education and training of medical personnel, other than physicians, who work with patients.

Community Mental Health Endowment – innovative initiatives that improve the mental health of individuals and/or raise awareness of mental health and addictions. These initiatives include research; education; programs for patients and their families while in hospital; patient support programs in the community; and equipment for patient care. The following seven funds are named funds within the Community Mental Health Endowment:

The Ken Arnold Addictions Fund – mental health and addictions programming.

Dr. Rudy Bowen Mood Disorders Fund – research and programming for mood and anxiety disorders.

Tom and Nicole MacNeill Family Fund – clinical research and related patient treatment programs in obsessive-compulsive disorders and other spectrum-associated disorders including anxiety and phobias.

Lynn Sterling McLean Fund – mental health and addictions research.

Patricia and Lawrence Rychjohn Family Fund – innovative programs for those affected by mental illness and addictions in our community and beyond.

Robert A. Steane Community Mental Health Fund – mental health priorities.

University of Saskatchewan Academic Psychiatrists Fund – psychiatric research and post-graduate psychiatric training.

Donna and Tony Dagnone Endowment – an annual scholarship awarded to an RUH staff member to attend Leadership Saskatoon to enhance their leadership development.

Irene & Leslie Dubé Centre for Mental Health Endowment – priorities for The Irene and Leslie Dubé Centre for Mental Health.

Danae Dupuis Memorial Endowment – area of greatest need.

Adrienne Eidem Memorial Scholarship Endowment – nursing scholarship in recognition of academic achievement and enhanced health-care proficiency.

Donald Francis Endowment – programs and services that aid in the diagnosis and/or treatment of cancer patients.

Bernice E. (Betty) Godfrey Children's Endowment Fund – programs dedicated to the diagnosis and treatment of children who have suffered accidental injuries.

John C. (Jack) and Bernice E. (Betty) Godfrey Fund – equipment for Unit 5000 for burn patients.

Helping Hands Endowment – essential items required by Social Work for patients and families as a result of hospitalization.

Bryan Isinger Pediatric Care Endowment – pediatric care and comfort including equipment and furnishings.

Sonja Jeffrey Memorial Fund – medical school residents pursuing specialized training in dissociative disorders as a result of psychological trauma.

Drs. Ivan Jen and Suzanne Yip Family Endowment established in loving memory of their parents Jim Kow Jen & Sue Lin Jen and David Sim Yip & Jean Yat Yip – cancer research and patient care and cardiac patient care.

Marlo L. Kelly Memorial Endowment – equipment that supports care in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

Legacy Fund for Trauma Care in honour of the Humboldt Broncos for the lives lost and changed forever – equipment, education and research related to trauma.

Bill Lemko Memorial Endowment – equipment that improves cancer care.

Dr. Hung-Fook Ma and Mrs. Theresa Ma Endowment – trauma care priorities.

W. Gordon MacDougall Memorial Endowment – research, training and patient care.

Mark Family Legacy Endowment – priorities of cardiac-related programs.

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Ostomy Endowment – equipment and education for the Ostomy Clinic.

Pharmaceutical Services Fund – education, research and equipment for the Department of Pharmacy.

Princeton Scholarship Endowment Fund – educational funding for nurses, licensed practical nurses and other medical professionals.

Dr. Ali Rajput Endowment for Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Research – research into Parkinson's disease and other movement disorders.

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Robert Steane Research Chair in Psychiatry – funding for dedicated research.

Royal University Hospital Auxiliary Legacy Endowment – medical equipment and furnishings as well as an annual Auxiliary scholarships and education.

SaskEnergy Centennial Research Fund in Children's Health – research for the betterment of children's health.

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Peter and Anna Zbeetnoff Memorial Endowment – the annual Peter and Anna Zbeetnoff Memorial Drug Therapy Decision-Making Conference for physicians, pharmacists and nurse practitioners in Saskatchewan.

LEGACY

The Power of a Legacy Gift to Transform Surgical Care at RUH

Bernice Harrison had a life-long passion for philanthropy and volunteerism. Bernice and her husband Mervin were both born and raised in rural Saskatchewan by pioneer parents. Bernice later moved to Saskatoon upon completion of high school and lived in the city where, together with her husband Mervin, she raised three children. Bernice took pride in being a stay-at-home mom until her children were teenagers.

Bernice and Mervin had a strong dedication to philanthropy, social justice and volunteerism – both shared numerous volunteer hours and were dedicated in the areas of child development, physical and mental health, environment, reduction of poverty, and animal welfare. Bernice's interest in young children and passion for giving back to her community led to volunteer activities such as teaching Sunday

school, providing learning activities for children in Saskatoon hospitals and later she visited seniors in homes and hospitals. Later in life Bernice chose to pursue further education and a career in early childhood education and children with special needs, working in daycares and teaching preschool for many years.

After Mervin passed in 2002, Bernice continued to volunteer and became a loyal supporter of RUH Foundation, donating first to the Future in Mind Campaign in 2008 to build the 65-bed dedicated adult, child and youth Irene and Leslie Dubé Centre for Mental Health. Her continuous generosity towards health-care priorities endured even following her passing last year at 90 years of age with a thoughtful \$130,000 donation through her will.

This generous gift that Bernice designated in her will supports the Mission Possible: Operation New O.R. Campaign to transform surgical care in Saskatchewan. Thank you Bernice!

Bernice Harrison's incredible generosity and her act of kindness reminds us how giving a gift through your will can impact and benefit patients and their care for years to come.



Bernice and Mervin Harrison

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The following Guild of Friends members are a special group of donors who have made provisions in their estate plan through wills, life insurance, charitable remainder trusts and other means to create a legacy of giving to Royal University Hospital Foundation that will continue long into the future:

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This past year, COVID-19 changed many things within health care and our community. However as an Imagine Canada Accredited Charity, one of the constants is our Board of Directors'

and staff's commitment to ethical, transparent and effective fundraising. Thanks to the generosity of donors and supporters to our Mission Possible: Operation New O.R. Campaign; to the Covid-19 Hospital Fund; to events and lotteries; and increased investment earnings, more than \$11.3 million was raised. \$1.25 million was granted to establish a dedicated Epilepsy Monitoring Unit. Our Signature Grants and Donor Designated Grants to the Saskatchewan Health Authority and University of Saskatchewan allowed an investment of \$1.1 million in research, patient care and staff morale grants, Fellowships, and continuing education. As well, \$1.25 million will purchase critical O.R. equipment for our surgical

and O.R. teams for enhanced surgical care of patients at RUH.

Thank you to all of our donors, volunteers and supporters for your extraordinary impact on health care over the past challenging year at Royal University Hospital. Summary Financial Statements are provided on the following pages and full audited statements are available at ruh.org or by contacting the Foundation at 306.655.1984.



Joe Vidal
Treasurer and Chair
Audit Finance Committee



Report of the Independent Auditor on the Summary Financial Statements

To the Board of Directors of Royal University Hospital Foundation Inc.

Our opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying summary financial statements of Royal University Hospital Foundation Inc. (the Foundation) are a fair summary of the audited financial statements, on the basis described in the note to the summary financial statements.

The summary financial statements

The Foundation's summary financial statements derived from the audited financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2021 comprise:

- the summary statement of financial position as at March 31, 2021;
- the summary statement of revenue, expenses, and changes in fund balances for the year then ended; and
- the related note to the summary financial statements.

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. Reading the summary financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements and the auditor's report thereon.

The audited financial statements and our report thereon

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited financial statements in our report dated May 25, 2021.

Management's responsibility for the summary financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the summary financial statements on the basis described in the note to the summary financial statements.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are a fair summary of the audited financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standard (CAS) 810, *Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements*.

Signed by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

May 25, 2021



SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Royal University Hospital Foundation Inc. Summary Statement of Financial Position as at March 31, 2021



		2021	2020
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	6,356,392	6,841,583
Pledges Receivable - current		293,349	99,194
Accounts Receivable		1,182,516	105,401
Inventory		71,296	124,064
Due from Other Funds		3,404,432	706,465
Prepaid Expenses		235,505	253,927
		11,543,490	8,130,634
Investments		25,041,466	19,170,912
Other Assets			
Planned Giving		19,926	26,516
Pledges Receivable - long term		503,944	511,833
		523,870	538,349
Capital Assets			
		181,917	189,273
	\$	37,290,743	28,029,168
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$	901,558	900,288
Grants Payable		5,195,591	4,295,825
Due to other Funds		3,404,432	706,465
		9,501,581	5,902,578
FUND BALANCES			
Operating	\$	4,305,828	1,952,762
Designated		5,270,350	5,099,061
Endowment		18,212,984	15,074,767
		27,789,162	22,126,590
	\$	37,290,743	28,029,168

Royal University Hospital Foundation Inc.
Summary Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Balances
for the year ended March 31, 2021



		2021	2020
REVENUE			
Donations	\$	4,488,005	7,877,343
Events, gaming, other (gross)		3,032,878	2,130,271
Investment income (loss)		3,796,401	(410,171)
		11,317,284	9,597,443
Fundraising, events, and administrative expenses		2,164,027	2,389,770
Net revenue available for granting		9,153,257	7,207,673
Grants		3,490,685	6,214,701
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses		5,662,572	992,972
Fund balances, beginning of year		22,126,590	21,133,618
Fund balances, end of year	\$	27,789,162	22,126,590

Royal University Hospital Foundation Inc.
Note to Summary Financial Statements
March 31, 2021

The summary financial statements are derived from the complete audited financial statements, prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, as at March 31, 2021 and for the year ended March 31, 2021.

The preparation of these summary financial statements requires management to determine the information that needs to be reflected in the summary financial statements so that they are consistent, in all material respects, with or represent a fair summary of the audited financial statements.

These summary financial statements have been prepared by management using the following criteria:

- whether information in the summary financial statements is in agreement with the related information in the complete audited financial statements; and
- whether, in all material respects, the summary financial statements contain the information necessary to avoid distorting or obscuring matters disclosed in the related complete audited financial statements, including the notes thereto.

Management determined that the statement of cash flows does not provide additional useful information and as such has not included them as part of the summary financial statements.

SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS – ICYMI

(in case you missed it)

In celebration and gratitude, on this virtual National Philanthropy Day – November 15 – we honour Don and Janet Neufeld and family for their contributions to philanthropy and volunteerism at Royal University Hospital. Don served as a member and Chair of the RUH Foundation Board for seven years. The Neufeld family traces their roots to humble beginnings in rural Saskatchewan. What mattered then still matters now, values such as hard work and giving back to the community. Since 2004, they have helped advance health-care excellence through their generous support of lifesaving patient care, innovative research, and education. Thank you! #NationalPhilanthropyDay #NPD2020 #NPDLove #gratitude



November 13, 2020



December 24, 2020

On December 31 at 7:00 pm, head out to your front porch, lawn, balcony or driveway and make some noise to thank our Frontline Workers for getting us through this rollercoaster of a year. Let's ring in the New Year together (from afar) with lots of noise and gratitude. Send thanks to Saskatoon's firefighters, police, star ambulance, paramedics and tow trucks as they pass by Royal University Hospital on New Year's Eve. #drumrollplease #SKHCW

Myra Dela Rosa from Food & Nutrition purchased a seat in RUH's Vivian K. Asher Lecture Theatre through payroll deductions and extended the deduction to RUH Foundation to continue to provide a difference in health care for the people of Saskatchewan. Thank you Myra! #gratitude



*"As you grow older
you will discover that
you have two hands.
One for helping
yourself, the other
for helping others."
~Audrey Hepburn*

August 4, 2020



December 2, 2020

While it may not be possible to be together to celebrate the season, it was important to carry on the traditional lighting of the trees on the rooftop of RUH yesterday morning. This year, we honour all front-line staff at our Hospital and everyone who works tirelessly behind the scenes to provide compassionate care to our patients. Thank you to Eecol Electric for supplying the tree structures and lights, the Electrical Team at RUH for making it all possible, and @canadiantire (Preston Crossing) for supplying colourful lights at the old main entrance. You have brought brightness to a challenging year.



Thank you to Yardi for their generous support of the COVID-19 Hospital Fund. Donations to the COVID-19 Hospital Fund have helped provide the resources our dedicated medical and support teams on the frontlines need allowing them to provide compassionate care in the fight against this pandemic now and into the future. Gratitude and thanks to Yardi from our Laboratory Department teams from Saskatchewan Health Authority. #gratitude #COVID19 #yxe



October 13, 2020



January 13, 2021

Merlis Belsher made a \$210,000 donation in 2014 to support Saskatchewan's first robot that was subsequently named after his youngest son Patrick. Robot Patrick lives on 6th Floor Neurology and is programmed to access all patient areas within RUH. He made his way down to the O.R. on January 8, to connect a surgeon from Kentucky with Dr. Vitali for a new procedure he was undertaking at RUH - a dorsal root stimulator insertion (stimulation on the spinal column).

Photo 1: LPN Katelyn Lorenz was excited to work with Patrick for the first time!

Photo 2 from 2014: (l-r) Bryan Leverick, Past Volunteer Chair RUH Foundation; Patrick Belsher; Clinical Robot "Patrick"; Merlis Belsher; Arla Gustafson, CEO RUH Foundation; Dr. Ivar Mendez, Fred H. Wigmore Professor of Surgery, Provincial Head of Surgery, University of Saskatchewan & Saskatchewan Health Authority

July 7, 2020



RUH's medical social workers support patients every day and see how family and friends play an important role in their recovery. That's why RUH's social workers are grateful to have received 20 tablets from @huaweicanada for patient use. The gift is the result of a partnership between SHA, Royal University Hospital Foundation and Huawei Canada. "Huawei Canada understands the importance of keeping patients and their families connected to one another, especially at a time when contact is limited due to COVID-19," said Christopher Stoicheff, director of Public Affairs and Communications for Huawei Canada. The Huawei tablets are already helping patients make vital connections. A grandmother was able to both celebrate her grandson's life and grieve his passing by virtually attending his funeral, which was livestreamed. Another woman who is undergoing cancer treatments was able to video chat with her husband of 50 years. Seeing his and some of her other family members' faces and hearing their voices helped ease her fears and alleviate her loneliness. Thank you Huawei Canada! #gratitude



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In May 2014, Royal University Hospital Foundation was awarded the highest level of accreditation and shared the distinction of being one of the first charitable organizations in Saskatchewan to be accredited under Imagine Canada's National Standards Program. In 2019, RUH Foundation was successfully re-accredited for five years. With this achievement, we join a growing community of more than 200 organizations dedicated to operational excellence.

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