



# Media Release

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## **\$325,000 for Medical Equipment and Staff Training from the Caring for Tomorrow Endowment for 2010**

On March 22, 2011 the Owen Sound Regional Hospital Foundation presented \$325,000 to Maureen Solecki, President & CEO of Grey Bruce Health Services. “This represents the proceeds from our Caring for Tomorrow Endowment for 2010,” said Chair of the Foundation’s Planned Giving and Endowment Committee, Doug Grace. The money will help the hospital purchase medical equipment and provide education and training for staff.

The Foundation directs a portion of the annual income earned by the Endowment to the Hospital as part of its overall contribution. Some of the income is retained to enable the Fund to keep pace with inflation and retain purchasing power.

In part, the Hospital will purchase 60 new wheelchairs, nurse call systems for its Women & Childcare and Rehab Units, a portable spirometer for Critical Care and more. \$7,300 from the disbursement was designated for continuing education and training of nurses and other clinical staff.

\$338,690 was added to the Endowment during 2010. The Fund grows in two ways. “The Board directs a portion of “undesigned” legacy gifts received to the Endowment” said Grace. Donors may also designate donations to the Fund if they choose to support the future of the Hospital. Named funds can be established with \$50,000 or more. Named Funds supporting a special purpose or hospital department can be established with \$100,000 or more. Disbursements from the Fund form part of the Foundation’s annual support for the Hospital.

Of the \$325,000 disbursement, the Emerging Needs Fund contributed \$253,000. Contributions from among 23 named and special purpose funds were:

Cardiac Trust	\$9,500	Chris Coulter	\$1,500
Lois & Donald Dowkes	\$8,000	Percy & Kathleen Noble	\$1,250
Robert Edgar Endowment	\$8,000	IPM 2004	\$1,000
Peter Di Tursi	\$7,500	Heart Care	\$750
Catherine Taylor	\$5,000	Diagnostic Services	\$600
Jean Clugston	\$5,000	Oncology	\$600
Howey Memorial Fund	\$6,500	Ruth Hindman	\$400
Marie & Carl Kellough	\$4,000	George Chamberlain	\$400
Gordon & Doris Wilkinson	\$4,000	Staff Training	\$300
Anonymous	\$3,500	Rehabilitation	\$200
Tom Williams	\$3,500		

More information on the Caring for Tomorrow Endowment can be found on the Foundation's website at [www.OSHfoundation.ca](http://www.OSHfoundation.ca) or by calling 519-372-3925.

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