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Summary of Grants Approved in 2013/14

Patient Care

Veterans Homeless Initiative - $1,000, Operational Stress Injury Clinic, Parkwood Hospital
Homeless veterans and veterans at risk for homelessness were provided with care baskets filled with necessities targeted at increasing independence in activities of daily living.

Veterans Care and Comforts Grant - $30,000, Veterans Care Program, Parkwood Hospital
The Veterans Care and Comfort Fund supports the special care and comfort needs that enhance the quality of life enjoyed by the Veterans of Parkwood Hospital and Western Countries Wing, providing funding for both personal care needs and special activities that cannot be supported through the hospital’s operating fund or other annual funding provided by Veterans’ organizations.

Expansion of the Operational Stress Injury Clinic - $150,000, Operational Stress Injury Clinic, Parkwood Hospital
With the future expansion of the Operational Stress Injury Clinic, funding will be used to support associated capital costs.

Breast Care Program Privacy Concerns - $25,000, Breast Care Centre, St. Joseph’s Hospital
To improve patient confidentiality and privacy, this grant was used for renovations to the registration area in the Breast Care Centre.

Music Therapy Instruments and Resources for Palliative Care - $5,000, Complex Care Program, Parkwood Hospital
As part of the Palliative Care Program, this grant provided a new guitar, case and new digital recording system for the Music Therapy Program used with patients in Palliative Care.

2013/14 Grant in support of Camp Woodeden - $13,570, Mount Hope Centre for Long Term Care
Through the support of this grant, Camp Woodeden is an annual event attended by the residents of Mount Hope, providing a safe and controlled environment where they can share time with families and friends in a camp like setting not possible to create at Mount Hope.

Tri District Wish List for Veterans Care Program - $74,682, Veterans Care Program, Parkwood Hospital
Canada’s Veterans who make their home at Parkwood Hospital and the Western Counties Wing, enjoyed a variety of engaging social activities, recreational programs and were provided with personal care items to meet their individual needs.

Education Carts for Mount Hope - $15,750, Mount Hope Centre for Long Term Care
Mobile laptop carts will be used as point of care training to educate personal care providers while caring for residents in the dining area, program areas, and resident home areas.

2013/14 Parkwood Hospital Auxiliary Wish List - $21,480, Parkwood Hospital
Through the generous support of the Parkwood Hospital Auxiliary, numerous patient and resident comfort items and front line care needs of the rehabilitation, complex care and specialized geriatrics programs were funded.

Doppler Ultrasound Machine - $1,897, Rehabilitation Program, Parkwood Hospital
A new doppler ultrasound machine is a key tool that is used when performing a lower limb assessment. The bedside assessment allows trained staff to accurately learn the degree to which blood flow may have been affected in a lower limb.
Brain FX: For Patients with Post-Concussion Syndrome - $22,063, Acquired Brain Injury, Rehabilitation Program, Parkwood Hospital
Funding will be used to purchase 3 tablets and 300 assessment credits for an assessment tool called Brain FX, developed specifically for patients with a mild traumatic brain injury or concussion.

Therapeutic Garden Living Wall Feature - $2,545, Neurobehavioural Rehabilitation Centre, Parkwood Hospital
A “living wall” vertical garden feature design element will be added to the therapeutic garden in the Neurobehavioural Rehabilitation Centre.

Patient and Family Education and Skill Development - $6,262, Regional Rehabilitation Program, Parkwood Hospital
For patients who are living with a spinal cord injury, 100 self-management resource kits will be developed as a tool for ongoing treatment.

Computer Laptops for the Acquired Brain Injury Outpatient Program - $3,810, Acquired Brain Injury, Rehabilitation Program, Parkwood Hospital
Computer applications will be used to help treat patients that have sustained brain injuries, strokes or other neurological impairments and will also be used as an educational tool to introduce patients to various computer programs for ongoing treatment that will need to be carried over in the home environment.

Digital Piano for SJH Spiritual Care Services and Celebrations - $2,962, Spiritual Care Program, St. Joseph’s Hospital
In support of the ceremonial rituals held in various locations at St. Joseph’s, a new portable digital piano was funded to support these spiritual celebrations.

Mount Hope Resident Family Christmas Dinner - $3,145, Mount Hope Centre for Long Term Care
As many of the residents are unable to leave Mount Hope, bringing Christmas into their home provide an opportunity to enjoy the festivities in the company of family and friends.

Coffee Service for the Breast Care Centre - $15,000, Norton and Lucille Wolf Breast Care Centre - St. Joseph’s Hospital
Through the generosity of a greatful donor, funding will be used to provide many years of coffee service for patients of the Breast Care Centre.

Prism Glasses - $500, Neurobehavioural Rehabilitation Centre, Parkwood Hospital
The use of different strengths of prism eye glasses for patient therapy, in combination with physiotherapy is integral to a patient’s improved balance and walking after an acquired brain injury.

Capital Needs for the HUGO Project - $630,000, All Sites
In support of HUGO, Healthcare Undergoing Optimization, much needed capital equipment were purchased to support the needs required to provide this innovative bedside technology to monitor, distribute and record prescription dosages for patients using barcode technology to confirm the proper medication and dosage with the patient.

Brain90X: Treatment Group for Individuals Living with Post-Concussion Syndrome - $3,550, Rehabilitation Program, Parkwood Hospital
BrainEx90 is an interdisciplinary approach to group treatment for individuals with Post-Concussion Syndrome. The funding will be used to purchase equipment used in treatment circuit stations.

2013/14 Ann and Bill Fleming Fund for Patient Rehabilitation Care Needs at Parkwood Hospital - $11,109, Rehabilitation Program, Parkwood Hospital
In support of capital and non-capital medical and patient-related equipment used to meet frontline patient care needs in the Rehabilitation Program at Parkwood Hospital.
Cogmed Training for Patients in the Acquired Brain Injury Program - $1,575, Acquired Brain Injury, Rehabilitation Program, Parkwood Hospital
Cogmed Working Memory Training is an evidenced based computerized training program used in the Acquired Brain Injury Program designed to improve attention by effectively increasing working memory capacity through a systematic training period.

Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation Fund Grant - $110,000, Psychiatry, Regional Mental Health Care London
In support of equipment that will improve the accuracy of treatment using Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation in the treatment of illnesses such as depression.

2013-14 Season of Celebration Proceeds - $187,838, All Sites
Proceeds from the 2013-14 Season of Celebration campaign provided priority care and comfort needs of patients and residents across the entire organization.

Bust a Move Proceeds in Support of the Breast Care Centre - $362,201, Breast Care Centre, St. Joseph’s Hospital
This grant provided funding in support of the MRI for the Breast Care Centre.

Education

Annual Hospice Palliative Care Ontario Conference - $2,140, Palliative Care, Parkwood Hospital
Two clinicians attended the Annual Hospice Palliative Care Ontario Conference to enhance the knowledge and skills in new palliative care trends and approaches to end of life care.

The Dr. Alfred J. McKinna Memorial Fund Award - $1,829, Ophthalmology, St. Joseph’s Hospital
The award from this endowed fund is dedicated to providing an award to an ophthalmology resident in their fourth or fifth year to assist in meeting the costs of taking an elective.

Dr. David & Zivia Anne Meltzer Fund Award - $4,200, All Sites
Awards from this endowed fund are for qualified nursing staff or nursing initiatives at St. Joseph’s Health Care on the basis of excellence in nursing, and are used for continuing education in a nursing program.

Nancy White Memorial Fund - $1,500, All Sites
Awards from this endowed fund are for registered nurses at St. Joseph’s Health Care on the basis of excellence in nursing, used for continuing education in a nursing program.

Parkwood Helen S. Zavitz Endowment for Nursing Excellence Fund - $150, Parkwood Hospital
An award is granted from this endowed fund to a nursing student that has completed a placement at Parkwood Hospital for continuing nursing education.

Dr. M.R. Belsheim Memorial Fund - $1,000, Gastroenterology, St. Joseph’s Hospital
An award is granted from this endowed fund to recognize an outstanding teacher amongst the Gastroenterology subspecialty residents and is awarded a resident in Gastrointestinal Training Program.

2013/14 Vim and Vigour Grant - $154,766, All Sites
In support of the publication of our health and wellness magazine, Vim & Vigour, produced through a joint effort between the foundation and the hospital, this grant helps to meet the goal of encouraging community health and wellness, and disease prevention.

Funding for the Western Counties Wing Library at Parkwood Hospital - $1,000, Library, Parkwood Hospital
In support of education resources for the Western Counties Wing Library at Parkwood Hospital, audio books, large print books and CD talking books were purchased.
2013/14 Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Conference - $3,000, Palliative Care, Parkwood Hospital
This grant supported attendance for two at the 2013 Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Conference in Ottawa in October 2013.

Joan Garrison Fund Award - $1,000, All Sites
The award from this endowed fund is provided to an employee of St. Joseph’s Health Care London in recognition of excellent leadership qualities to support their personal and professional development.

Leaders Getting Results Through Others - $3,000, Rehabilitation Program, Parkwood Hospital
In support of leadership development in the Rehabilitation Program, two clinical leaders attended the Ontario Hospital Association’s Leadership Competencies course.

Brain Basics Training for 5 Nurses working with Acquired Brain Injury Survivors - $1,250, Acquired Brain Injury, Rehabilitation Program, Parkwood Hospital
In support of the Acquired Brain Injury Program, 5 nurses attended the annual Brain Basics training program for health care workers.

Technology Based Patient and Family Education - $684, Rehabilitation Program, Parkwood Hospital
Stereo speakers were purchased for use with the Smart Board to incorporate an audio component into the group therapy sessions.

Thames Valley Breast Imaging Update Seminar - $2,000, Diagnostic Imaging Program, St. Joseph’s Hospital
Funded by a grant from the endowed Dr. Lauren McCurdy Diagnostic Imaging Fund, a breast seminar was hosted by St. Joseph’s for the breast imaging technologists.

Diabetes Education Centre Workshop “The Fundamentals of Diabetes” - $2,000, Diabetes Program, St. Joseph’s Hospital
Funded by the Dorothy Gibson Memorial Fund, this grant supported the 2nd annual Diabetes Education Centre Workshop for diabetes educators.

The Dr. F. Luney Fund for the Library - $2,938, Library, St. Joseph’s Hospital
Various educational resources and books were funded for the McFarlane Library at St. Joseph’s Hospital.

Education Resources for the McFarlane Library - $900, Library, St. Joseph’s Hospital
Various educational resources and books in orthopedics were funded for the McFarlane Library at St. Joseph’s Hospital.

Ophthalmic Educational Resources - $1,000, Ivey Eye Institute, St. Joseph’s Hospital
Educational learning resources were funded and included electronic books entitled “Retina 5th Edition” and “Corneal Atlas Book 3rd Edition”.

Orthoptic Educational Resource - $200, Ivey Eye Institute, St. Joseph’s Hospital
An electronic book entitled “Clinical Ophthalmology: A systematic approach” was funded as a resource for orthoptic care.

Patient Education in the Jolliffe Resource Centre - $1,000, Ivey Eye Institute, St. Joseph’s Hospital
Funded from the endowed Marjorie Jean Jolliffe Fund in support of patient education and evaluation of patient education strategies within the Ivey Eye Institute, a grant was made in support of various educational materials and brochures in eye conditions.
Operational Stress Injury Clinic Training - $1,500, Operational Stress Injury Clinic, Parkwood Hospital
In support of attendance at a training workshop at the Centre for the Treatment and Study of Anxiety to learn about “Prolonged Exposure Therapy (PE)”, this therapy is one of the most supported trauma-focused psychotherapies developed to treat Post-traumatic Stress Disorder.

Research

Nuclear Medicine Research Fund - $5,997
In support of the study entitled “Quantification of Rheumatoid Arthritis Joint Inflammation by Near-Infrared Spectroscopy”.

Dr. Peter A. Rechnitzer Fund for the Centre for Activity and Aging - $2,312, Centre for Activity and Aging
The grant from this endowed fund was used to provide funding in support of the annual Canadian Centre for Activity & Aging Lecture Series.

Wolf Series for London Health Research Day - $1,717
In support of a lectureship series held on Research Day. (Vic – get correct description).

Surgical Mechatronics Laboratory - $150,000
A grant made to support research in the Surgical Mechatronics Laboratory in the development of minimally invasive upper arm surgical intervention related to surgical skill development, patient recovery and the reduction on revision surgeries.

2013/14 Lawson Block Funding Grant - $170,000
The block funding grant provides young researchers the opportunity to pursue research initiatives and leverage the attraction of external grants.

The Influence of Stressors on the Human Trabecular Meshwork and their relationship to Glaucoma - $13,000
This grant support the purchase of a dedicated RT-PCR (reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction) machine which will allow detection of the RNA levels of various stress-related proteins in human eye disease.

Beryl and Richard Ivey Research Chair in Rehabilitation and Geriatric Care Fund - $140,166
The annual grant from this endowed fund is designated in support of a chair position providing scientific leadership in Aging, Rehabilitation and Geriatric Care within Lawson Health Research Institute, based at Parkwood Hospital.

Lawson General Endowment Fund - $31,091
The annual grant from this endowed fund is designated to support ongoing research initiatives at Lawson.

Research Capital Fund - $5,089
The annual grant from this endowed fund is designated to support ongoing research initiatives at Lawson.

Miriam Burnett Chair in Urological Sciences Fund - $93,920
The annual grant from this endowed fund is designated in support of a chair position providing scientific leadership in prostate and other urological cancers, probiotics, urological technologies and non-invasive procedures.

Helen and Frances Lawson Chair in Diabetes Research - $130,797
The annual grant from this endowed fund is designated in support of a chair position in diabetes research.
Dr. Joseph Rea Chair in Mood Disorders - $33,400
The annual grant from this endowed fund is designated in support of a chair position to support evidence-based research into the causes, prevention, and treatment of affective disorders to improve the care and treatment.

Miggsie Lawson Directorship of Lawson Health Research Institute - $63,963
The annual grant from this endowed fund is designated to the chair of the Scientific Director of Lawson Health Research Institute.

Donald and Elizabeth R. Ness Endowment Fund - $19,434
The annual grant from this endowed fund is designated for the pursuit of commercialization initiatives at the Lawson Health Research Institute, on advice of the Scientific Director of Lawson, specifically to obtain expert assistance for researchers to commercialize their discoveries.

LHRI Founding Endowment - $86,938
The annual grant from this endowed fund is designated to support ongoing research initiatives at Lawson.

Douglas & Vivian Bocking Chair in Fetal and Newborn Growth Fund - $106,269
The annual grant from this endowed fund is in support of a Chair position in Fetal and Newborn Growth.

Chair in Human Microbiology & Probiotics - $225,524
The annual grant from this endowed fund is designated in support of a chair position in Human Microbiology & Probiotics.

Use and Effectiveness of Community Treatment Orders for Patients with Severe and Persistent Mental Illness - $3,100
A grant was approved to support a study on Community Treatment Orders (CTOs), which are legal statutes used to ensure that individuals with severe mental illness that meet specific criteria adhere to treatment and supervision while living in the community.

2013/14 Gap Funding for Mental Health Engagement Network - $77,583, Regional Mental Health Care
Funding will be used to support a smart system using technology developed as an intervention for those living with mental illness so that they can achieve recovery and optimal health.

Family Inclusion Project - $3,458, Regional Mental Health Care
Collected stories from families associated with the Family Advisory Council regarding their experiences with clinical teams will be compiled and 4000 booklets will be printed as a resource for staff education, family education and family support groups.

Molecular PET Imaging of Pancreatic Beta Cells in Early Diabetes - $7,517, Diabetes Research
In support of a study in diabetes research, imaging methods such as positron emission tomography (PET) and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) will be used to investigate the molecular mechanisms of disease, with the aim of using these methods in the clinic to impact patient care so that the early stages of Type 2 diabetes can be detected, with the hope of developing nutritional interventions.

Fibrosis Derived Factors as Novel Enhancers of Rotator Cuff Tendon Repair - $690
As rotator cuff disease is a common cause of shoulder pain and loss of function caused by tendon damage, this study may lead to the identification of novel molecules secreted by frozen shoulder syndrome cells that can be used to enhance tendon reattachment in patients with rotator cuff disease.
PET/MR Imaging in Lung Cancer Radiotherapy Application - $10,522
In support of a research study to show how hybrid PET/MRI is less susceptible to respiratory-induced image artifacts and can characterize respiratory motion of moving targets more accurately than PET/CT. Once validated by our group, 4D-PET/MRI will significantly aid in tumour volume definition, which is vital to the accuracy of targeted radiation therapy and treatment response.

Breast Care Clinical Trial Development/Tumour Biobank Research Support Unit - $6,222
In support of the Breast Care Clinical Trial Development/Tumor Biobank, this grant funded the technology needs required by the Research Staff Support Unit to assist with recruitment, triaging and assessment of research participants.

Canadian Kidney Cancer Information System - $24,980
Funding will be used to maintain the database of the Canadian Kidney Cancer Information System used to generate results to allow urologists to have a better understanding of the impact of differing treatments with patient outcomes.

Development and Validation of a Tool for Self-Management of Neurogenic Bladder in Spinal Cord Injury - $14,821
The grant will support the work of the Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation Program to develop the prototype of a web-based resource to aid patients in the self-management of their neurogenic bladder condition in partnership with the University of Windsor for the design of the on-line tools for self-management.

Developing a Health Services Best Practice Implementation Toolkit - $11,431, Spinal Cord Injury Research
Funding will be used by the Spinal Cord Injury Research Group in the development of a best practice implementation (BPI) toolkit and conducting the initial validation across the Spinal Cord Injury Knowledge Mobilization Network team at Parkwood Hospital.

Implementing Best Practice for Pressure Ulcer Treatment in Community Dwelling Adults with Spinal Cord Injury - $10,158
The grant is in support of a research study to review current resources and practices in the treatment of pressure ulcers in this patient population and identify the necessary resources to help support clinicians and patients to safely and effectively deliver electrical stimulation therapy in conjunction with the standard wound therapy.