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Endomotion Arm makes its Operating Room debut

Equipment provides stable, yet flexible positioning for vital surgical instruments

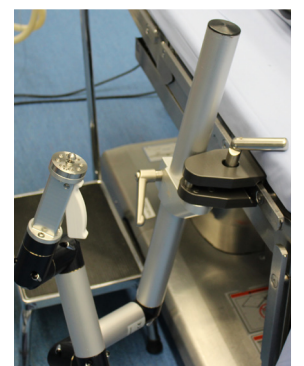
The call for support was dire, and you answered! Thanks to your continued support, we have funded the purchase of a piece of equipment that will help keep family, friends, and community members healthier and closer to home.

In 2018 we put an urgent request to Central Alberta to help us fund the purchase of an Endomotion Arm for the Operating Room at the Red Deer Regional Hospital Centre. The purchase of the Endomotion Arm will allow the reduction of wait times for life-saving surgeries allowing our friends and family to be closer to home during procedures. This state-of-the-art piece of equipment is a key component in performing minimally invasive surgeries, which means less pain and a faster recovery for patients.

Funding equipment like the Endomotion Arm is only possible due to your generosity. Thanks to the support of donors like yourself, the Endomotion Arm will completely revolutionize rectal tumour surgery in Central Alberta.

As our Central Alberta community continues to grow, the Red Deer Regional Hospital, and specifically the OR, attracts more and more specialized surgeons and medical professionals. Thanks to your help, we are able to provide them a state-of-the-art tool with which to showcase their skills.

Providing world class healthcare to Central Albertans is only possible when community members like you come together to make it a reality. Your generosity will help your friends, family, and neighbours find the hope, care, and life-saving surgery they need right at home.



When you donate, you are giving to our hospital. Call 403-343-4773 or visit www.rdrhfoundation.com today.

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

Paterson Grain donates \$10,000 to Emergency Room

Just south of Red Deer in Bowden is Paterson Grain's Foothills Terminal - a hub for area grain farmers and a gateway to global grain markets.

Last month, Ken Rollheiser (General Manager Foothills Terminal) and Maurice Dureault (Regional Manager, right) visited the Foundation office to make a \$10,000.00 donation to help enhance healthcare in Central Alberta on behalf of The Paterson Family Foundation.


The donation will be used to fund the Emergency Department's most urgent need.

Thank you Paterson Grain for your contributions to healthcare excellence in Central Alberta!



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Funding cardiac monitors for the pediatrics department
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REAL PEOPLE, REAL STORIES

James Tubbs Remembered Through Scholarship

Imagine a lifetime spent with compromised breathing.

That's how James Bradley Tubbs lived his entire life. Jamie, as he is affectionately called by family, had chronic asthma. The eldest of three kids, Jamie had to learn to live with a disease that inflames and narrows the airways of the lungs, allowing less air to flow in and out. His first symptoms came when he was just a little boy.

"He was allergic to almost everything outside," explains Jamie's sister Janelle Leer. "Every night he'd be up on a portable ventilator. It was difficult for the whole family. At night, Jamie would have attacks too."

Through every cough and every wheeze, Jamie would grow up and try to live as normal a life as one could with chronic asthma. His passions included music, Jamie was a big fan of the Canadian band The Tragically Hip. Jamie would eventually marry and have 2 kids of his own.

Although Jamie had medication and inhalers, frequent trips to the local hospital in Eckville and occasionally to RDRHC were needed. "Coming to the hospital did help him, he was in constantly. He would always go in and go into the 'Big Bird' ventilator. Those visits saved him."

Even with chronic asthma and his struggles with breathing, Jamie was actively involved in planning the family's annual golf tournament which was organized as a fun, casual activity for friends and family.

On September 28, 2001, Jamie suddenly passed away from an asthma attack. Even though Jamie is gone, he has left a huge presence in the lives of his family and in the community. The annual family golf tournament was renamed in his honour with funds raised for lung disease.

The James Bradley Tubbs Memorial Scholarship was created from the proceeds of the final golf tournament. The scholarship is awarded to an individual pursuing education in the field of respiratory health services or to an individual currently employed and pursuing advanced education in respiratory health services in the Red Deer area.

"Jamie would have thought it was pretty awesome that his story is helping bring awareness. To remember him in a special way, he would think that this is great."



2019 James Bradley Tubbs Memorial Scholarship recipient Jaskaran Mahal

To apply for scholarships, visit www.rdrhfoundation.com/scholarships



Equipment Spotlight Medical Ventilators

There are a number of different medical ventilators used in all areas of RDRHC.

When a patient cannot breathe on their own or maintain an open airway, they may require the use of a ventilator.

These machines are designed to provide mechanical ventilation by moving breathable air into and out of the lungs.

A number of medical ventilators are nearing their end of life and will need to be replaced.

Consider making a donation today to support the purchase of medical ventilators for our hospital.



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