# Your Health



NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM MILTON DISTRICT HOSPITAL

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#### **Hospital Expansion Moves Forward**



The expansion of Milton District Hospital (MDH) moved one step closer to reality with the recent announcement that three teams have been shortlisted to respond to a request for proposals (RFP) to design, build, finance and maintain the MDH expansion. The teams were chosen based on a request

for qualifications process which began in August 2013. The three shortlisted teams include Hospital Infrastructure Partners, Milton Healthcare Partnership and Plenary Health. Visit <a href="www.haltonhealthcare.com">www.haltonhealthcare.com</a> for more information.

Halton Healthcare Services is looking forward to the project's next major milestone when the three pre-qualified teams will be invited to respond to the RFP request in the spring of this year. We're on our way as we work toward the start of construction which is anticipated to begin in early 2015!

# HHS Staff Organ and Tissue Registration!

Did you know one organ donor can save up to eight lives? At any given time in Ontario, 1,500 men, women and children are waiting for a life-saving organ transplant, but every three days, three of them dies waiting. HHS staff and volunteers are currently participating in the Trillium Gift of Life Network's (TGLN's) organ and tissue donation workplace registration drive initiative. HHS also wants to encourage friends, family and all community members to join us and also participate.

Please use this opportunity to discuss organ and tissue donation with your family and share our campaign page <a href="https://www.BeADonor.ca/haltonhealthcare.ca">www.BeADonor.ca/haltonhealthcare.ca</a> with them. All you need to participate is your health card.

# **Greenbelt Funding Award**



(L-R) Burkhard Mausberg, CEO of the Greenbelt Fund; Jim Robinson, Director of Marketing, Gordon Food Services; Elma Hrapovich, HHS Director of Nutrition and Food Services, and Oakville MPP Kevin Flynn.

HHS' Food Services was awarded a Grant (\$107,000) by the Ontario Greenbelt Fund and the Ontario government for its *Good for You, Locally Grown* Initiative.

Thanks to the funding of this innovative project, patients and their families, visitors and staff will be able to enjoy meals and recipes with more locally grown foods in all three of our community hospitals. As part of this funding, HHS has also been asked to develop one of Canada's first local food procurement policies in healthcare and develop initiatives to get more local food into hospital kitchens. HHS will be working in partnership with Gordon Food Services and Signature Culinary Solutions to create delicious menu options made with local foods that can be replicated by other hospitals - such as a line of sandwiches using local deli options.



### Milton Community Fund

This year the Milton Community Fund focused its generosity on the MDH Diagnostic Imaging Department, by donating \$17,316 toward the purchase of three additional ultrasound transducers or probes. The additional transducers allows HHS to meet Accreditation Canada's new Infection Control Standards without impacting patient care or wait times. Thanks to the Milton Community Fund for their continued support!

(L-R) Janet Skupsky, MDH Chief Operating Officer and Stefania Bradley, MDH Diagnostic Imaging Coordinator.

#### Annual Gift of Health Gala "Mahalo Milton"

Milton District Hospital Foundation and Mattamy Homes are proud to present:

Annual Gift of Health Gala "Mahalo Milton" Saturday, May 31st, 2014 at Rattlesnake Point Golf Club

This year's signature fundraising gala "Mahalo Milton" derives its theme from the Polynesian Islands, holding great promise for a dazzling night, as we raise funds to help purchase equipment for Milton District Hospital.



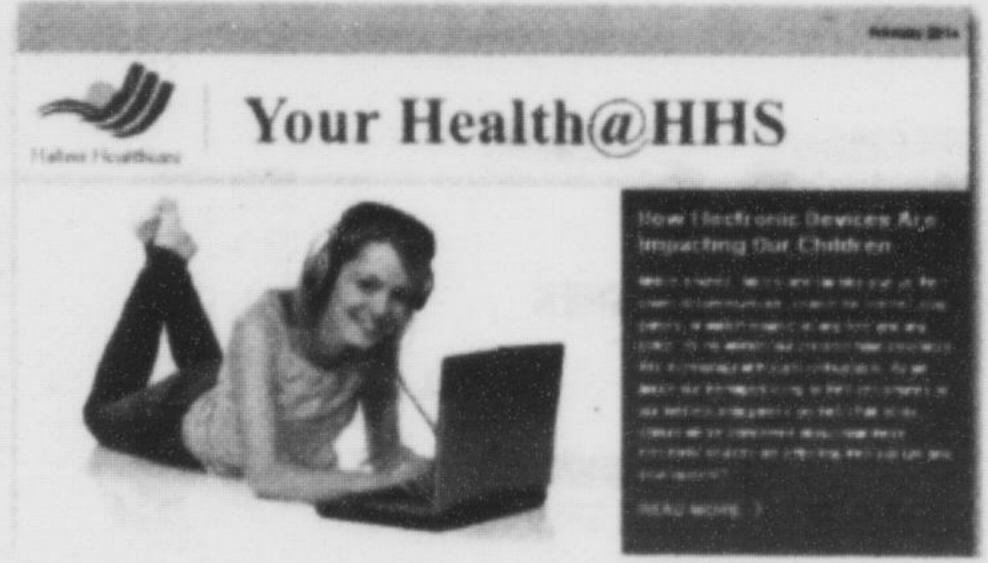
Great Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information please call or email Andrea Cayer at 905-878-2383 ext. 7172 or acayer@haltonhealthcare.on.ca. Tickets will be available the second week of April, online and through the Foundation office.

## **MDH Hosts Mentoring Event**

Milton District Hospital (MDH) recently hosted a mentoring opportunity for 33 Halton high school students in Grades 11 and 12 who were considering a career in health care.

Career Coaches Unlimited: Health Care and Medical Technologies is part of a series of sector specific mentoring events organized by the Halton Industry Education Council (HIEC). Halton Healthcare Services partnered with HIEC to highlight careers in health care and medical technologies. Over twenty MDH staff and physicians and four representatives from community health services, helped increase the students' awareness and understanding of the broad range of career choices in health care.

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