

Halton hospitals going local with their food selection



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Hospital food doesn't have the greatest reputation, but Halton's hospitals hope to change that, said Greenbelt Fund CEO Burkhard Mausberg.

Thanks to a \$107,000 grant from the Greenbelt Fund and the Ontario government, he told guests gathered in Oakville-Trafalgar Memorial Hospital's (OTMH) Parsons Pantry Cafeteria recently how Halton Healthcare Services (HHS) will be serving local food as well as developing a variety of sandwiches using local deli meats at its cafeterias in Milton District, Georgetown and Oakville Trafalgar Memorial hospitals.

"This project means providing local food options to healthcare facilities that can be replicated by other hospitals," said Mausberg.

"The result — more local food for Ontarians and a better patient, staff, and visitor experience."

The Greenbelt Fund, a non-profit organization created to support and enhance the viability, integrity and sustainability of agriculture in the 1.8 million acres of protected lands surrounding the Golden Horseshoe and Ontario, has invested \$7.4 million in 78 projects since its 2010 launch to support innovative food projects across Ontario.

Mausberg explained how every dollar invested in the projects has returned \$4 to Ontario's economy.

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From left, Greenbelt Fund CEO Burkhard Mausberg, Gordon Food Services Director of Marketing Jim Robinson, Halton Healthcare Services Director of Nutrition and Food Services Elma Hrapovich and Oakville MPP Kevin Flynn show some of the locally-grown produce. *Graham Paine / Metroland West Media Group (Follow on Twitter @halton_photog)*

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Halton Healthcare Services (HHS) is a leading multi-site healthcare organization with an outstanding record of performance, fiscal accountability and, most importantly, safe quality patient care.

The organization's three community hospitals are integral to the health and wellness of their communities and resolute about delivering responsive, safe and exceptional care to their patients.

To ensure a healthy future and meet the needs of the growing population, HHS is building a new, state-of-the-art hospital in Oakville which is scheduled for completion in late 2015; Georgetown Hospital has undergone a significant expansion to its Emergency and Diagnostic Imaging Departments and is proceeding with planning for future expansions; and, Milton District Hospital is in the midst of a major expansion that will significantly increase the size of the facility.

Through an effective governance body Halton Healthcare Services' first priority is to understand the unique needs of our diverse communities, ensure fiscal accountability and safe quality patient care.

To complement the skills mix on our Board, we are looking for an individual with experience in provincial government, marketing/public relations and expertise in the healthcare sector.

As a well-connected individual residing or employed in the Regional Municipality of Halton or Peel, you demonstrate an awareness of the specific issues and concerns facing these rapidly expanding communities. You will be both an active voice of the Board of Directors and a knowledgeable resource in governmental affairs. Demonstrated not-for-profit or corporate board experience with formal governance training are assets.

With three major capital projects running concurrently, there has never been a greater need for strong community representation on our Board.

HHS has retained Promeus Inc., to invite nominations and expressions of interest to fill the upcoming Board vacancy. This advertisement is also posted on the HHS website at www.haltonhealthcare.com.

If you have the passion and availability to reflect the face and character of our fast-growing and diverse communities, please send a letter of interest and enquiry to Judy Mandelman, or Heather Spiegel, Promeus Inc. at:

resumes@promeus.ca,
quoting Project: HHSBD-2014-03

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