

## **ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBERS**

# May 25, 2018 The Montreal General Hospital Foundation

On behalf of the Montreal General Hospital Foundation (MGHF), we wish to express our immense gratitude to all the donors who supported our cause over the past year. In this summary, you will see the significant impact of your contributions in supporting numerous high-level research programs, providing the hospital with cutting-edge equipment and helping meet our medical teams' priority needs.

Thanks to the involvement of our 7,000 donors, the MGHF manages one of the largest healthcare funds in Quebec. Over the 2017–2018 fiscal year, the MGHF raised \$14.3 million. Investment income generated \$9.3 million, bringing our total revenues to \$23.6 million. Total assets were at \$155 million as of March 31, 2018.

Moved by our mission of providing vital support for vital care, we support a variety of research programs and departments. Over the year, we have allocated over \$11 M to support research and teaching as well as \$5 M to improve patient care.

#### **Vital Support for Vital Care**

The McGill Thoracic Surgery program is the only program to have attained the Minister of Health's Level 4 designation for lung cancer, attesting that it meets the highest standards of integrated patient care, research and education in Quebec. Thanks to your donations, a new Thoracic and Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery Clinic was opened at the Montreal General Hospital (MGH), benefiting patients from across Quebec who require complex oncological care.

Also at the MGH, the Dr. David S. Mulder Trauma Centre – one of only three specialised adult trauma centres in Quebec – treats patients with the most complex and serious injuries. Every year, it treats over 10,000 victims of road crashes (drivers, passengers, cyclists and pedestrians), falls and violent crimes. Established in 1993, its trauma program is the busiest in the province and has the lowest mortality rate. Our donors contributions along with the support of the Max Pacioretty Foundation, allowed the MGHF to provide \$5.5 million to purchase a sophisticated MRI machine that detects signs of minor and major brain injuries.

In order to adapt care to our ageing community, the Division of Geriatrics offers specialized care to the elderly. That's why the MGHF provided the Fall Assessment Clinic of the Division of Geriatrics with a new electronic treadmill and a cutting-edge analysis system in order to draw links between variations in gait and cognitive slowing. This is all made possible thanks to your donations.

The MGH was the site of some Canadian firsts in healthcare in 2017 and 2018, namely the implantation of an MRI-friendly Cardiac Resynchronization Therapy Defibrillator (CRT-D), thanks to which patients living with a defibrillator now have access to advanced medical imaging technologies.

We would also like to highlight the opening of a music therapy studio for mental health patients at the MGH, the first of its kind in a hospital setting.

Following our commitment to support research and education, we have also provided \$1.3 million in awards and bursaries to medical and nursing clinical researchers.

### Teaming up for Mental Health

In partnership with Bell and the *Let's Talk* initiative, the Neuromodulation Unit of the Mental Health Mission received a generous gift of \$400,000, used to acquire advanced devices to treat patients with psychiatric disorders, including depression and anxiety.

Since 2015, the MGHF is proud to partner with Pharmaprix for the Course pour les Femmes and other AIMEZ. VOUS. initiatives. In 2017, through this partnership, \$180,000 was raised to support women's mental health programs at the MGH.

## **Unveiling CODE LiFE**

More than ever, the MGHF's aim is to protect, heal and save lives at the MGH, the McGill University Health Centre (MUHC) and the larger McGill academic health network. CODE LiFE was launched in this spirit.

CODE LiFE is a tangible expression of our commitment to support life, which is so precious and fragile. It mirrors the feeling of urgency that drives our medical teams and mobilizes us to raise funds in order to provide vital support for vital care.

Our image is evolving, but the role of our foundation is still just as vital. With your support and involvement, we continue to invest in the advancement of medical knowledge and the clinical care.

Your support is nothing less than vital.

The full annual report will be published on the MGH Foundation's website on June 20, 2018 (www.codelife.ca). Hard copies of the report will also be provided at the Annual General Meeting or upon request.

Once again, on behalf of all of our patients and their families, as well as hospital personnel, we thank you sincerely for your generosity.

Andrew T. Molson Chairman of the Board

Jean-Guy Gourdeau President and CEO

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