

Stevenson Memorial Hospital
Report of the Foundation Board Chair to the Annual General Meeting
June 16, 2015

Since becoming a Director on the Stevenson Memorial Hospital Foundation (Foundation) Board 4 years ago, I have had the opportunity to speak numerous times about the vital role of the Foundation. It makes me proud to say I have witnessed firsthand how that role has impacted the Hospital and to be able to share those accomplishments with our donors and others in the community is wonderful.

There are many who give willingly and freely of their time to ensure we have the very best in patient care at Stevenson Memorial Hospital. Top of that list is the Stevenson Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. I do not know where the hospital would be without the fundraising efforts of that group of volunteers and the work and care they provide within the Hospital is remarkable. Their contributions year after year to the Foundation are truly amazing. Thank you!

Stevenson Memorial Hospital is in charge of delivering the services that the Foundation has accepted gifts for. We must deliver the funds and the hospital delivers the service. Sounds simple doesn't it? This past year the Foundation fulfilled those needs of the Hospital and together with the support of 1,323 donors we were able to give over \$1.2 million to the Hospital for top priority equipment. On behalf of the Foundation, I would like to say thank you to our donors and to say how grateful we are that our volunteers, fellow board members, staff and hospital champions allowed us to accomplish so much together this past year.

All of us who had the opportunity to work with Foundation Board Chair, Glenn Rae, knew he was a committed member and a great supporter of the Foundation. I would like to recognize Glenn for his wonderful leadership, dedication and service during his 9 years as a director. Glenn, you will be truly missed.

Attending the Stevenson Memorial Hospital Board meetings as an Ex-officio member is always an education and I look forward to continual understanding of the complexity and accountability of the Stevenson Memorial Hospital Board. The Foundation also has representatives on the Stevenson Memorial Hospital Finance Committee and the Communications Committee.

The Foundation is responsible for raising funds for the Hospital. The hard work of our staff this year included the implementation of a new fundraising software system, a successful donor recognition event, two direct mail campaigns, growth to our volunteer base, and increased numbers to the third party events, grant writing and much more. The two direct mail campaigns which focused on "Refurbishing a Patient Room" and the "Cardiac Monitoring System" have been profitable and still remain a focus for the Foundation. Some of our major donors have been participating in the plans for our new plaque program. This has been well received and is one of the examples where the Foundation has involved our donors. We go into 2015-16 knowing we continue to be consistent with donor interests enabling the Hospital to deliver excellent health care to our community.

With significant change in the future for Stevenson Memorial Hospital, the Foundation looks forward to many more great accomplishments for our hospital. But with increased demand comes increased need! Building and maintaining relationships with donors, businesses, organizations, hospital board members, staff and others is critical to ensuring another successful year. The close working relationship between the Foundation and the Hospital remains strong as we advance together into the future of Stevenson.

Respectfully submitted,



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Foundation Board Chair