

Osler employees pledge \$1 million to support hospital redevelopment

The employees of William Osler Health System are giving back to the communities where they live and work through Osler Foundation's Employee Giving Campaign.

During Osler's annual general meeting June 22, Osler employees announced their pledge of \$1 million to support hospital redevelopment initiatives at the three hospital sites. Their pledge will be matched by Orlando Corporation's \$15 Million Matching Challenge, resulting in \$2 million raised for redevelopment, Osler's largest staff contribution to date.

"Congratulations and thank you to Osler's staff for accepting this challenge," said Kelly Falzon, co-chair of the William Osler Employee Giving Committee. "Our staff's commitment and passion for helping others is unwavering. The standard of giving by Osler employees has raised the bar, and will continue to influence so many others here and throughout our Osler communities. I'm proud of the generosity of our employees - it is truly a reflection of our commitment to serving our patients with best-in-class programs and clinical services."

With the tremendous ongoing and future expansion and redevelopment of Osler's hospitals requiring unprecedented support from the entire community, Osler employees have expressed a desire to do their part by contributing to the hospitals' redevelopment projects. Government funding covers the operational costs of the hospitals, however, the entire cost of equipment as well as 10 per cent of construction costs must be raised in the community. Proceeds from the employee pledge will fund redevelopment projects and the latest generation of medical technology and diagnostic equipment needs across all three sites.

"On behalf of Osler employees, I'm honoured and privileged to be a part of this wonderful announcement," said Andrew Asa, co-chair of the committee. "As an employee, I see first-hand the incredible work and dedication from individuals working together at all levels and across so many departments. With this group employee pledge, regardless of the size of the gift each individual is able to give, once again we're collectively making a difference in the care of our patients. I'm proud to be a part of the \$1 million pledge and the largest staff donation in our history."

To make a donation to William Osler Health System Foundation, visit www.oslerfoundation.org



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