

# All in for every kid

Canada is home to some of world's top children's hospitals. In addition to supporting excellence in care, donor funds help hospitals share knowledge and work together. That's because flexible funding enables collaborations – from formal research partnerships to working groups pursuing continuous improvement.

Many kids never need to visit a children's hospital. But every child in Canada benefits from the strong, generous relationships across our network, which donor funds support. Children's hospitals, the backbone of pediatric healthcare, help each other excel. Whether they're caring for kids with complex needs or sharing trusted health guidance with families and communities, your generosity helps Canada's children's hospitals be all in for every kid.

## Helping kids be kids even through cancer

A new drug called Blinatumomab ("Blina") has delivered the biggest advancement in pediatric leukemia care in 30 years, increasing the cure rate for Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia from 85% to 97%. Patients receive Blina alongside their regular chemotherapy. Because Blina must be given as a continuous infusion over the course of 28 days, it's administered through portable pumps carried in a backpack kids can wear at home or at school. Thanks to donor support for Hospital at Home, a first-of-its-kind program of Alberta Children's Hospital, the medication bag can be changed in the child's home by an oncology nurse, avoiding hospital trips.

**"Donor dollars have truly revolutionized the dialysis unit and will bring CHEO up to the gold standard of care for these patients. It impacts all the children in the unit and will directly translate to better care for all the children at CHEO on dialysis."**

Dr. Rob Myette, CHEO Pediatric Nephrologist and Foundation Research Chair for Pediatric Kidney Disease, on donor funding for pediatric dialysis machines and a new water treatment system.

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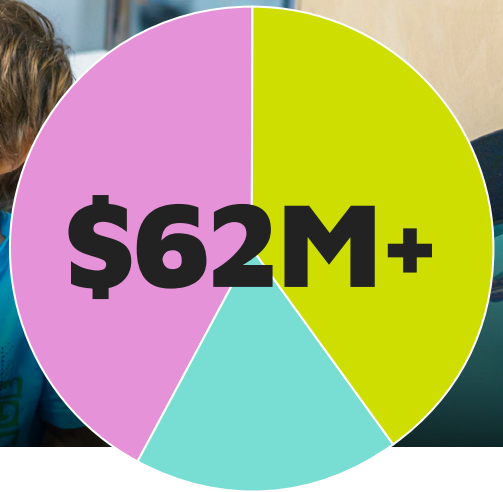
Your support ensured children's hospitals were ready when kids and families turned to them – **3.9 million times in 2025.**





# Thank you

Our partners and donors contributed **more than \$62 million** to children's hospital foundations across Canada this year.



## Advancing Local Priorities

Local hospitals are empowered to use this flexible funding to advance top local priorities in three vital areas. Below are a summary of how funds were allocated this year, and a few examples of activities partner support has helped to enable in each area.



**Create Healing Environments** that help children get better while helping them and their families feel good, too.

Families sometimes need quiet spaces to find calm during difficult moments. Donor support enabled the **Centre for Mindfulness at BC Children's Hospital to create four thoughtfully designed spaces** throughout the hospital, making them more inviting for kids, teens, families and health care teams. The spaces include a nature-inspired hallway and a mindfulness library.



**Revolutionizing Treatment and Care** through innovative research and discovery focused on areas of significant need.

**The New Investigator Research Grants, supported by the SickKids Foundation,** help early-career scientists pursue cutting-edge research projects. The grants fund boundary-pushing projects that traditional funders might not support. Through this special program, donor support helps drive discovery while supporting the next generation of research leaders.



**Enable Right Care. Right Place. Right Time – no matter what a child's injury or illness.**

The Michael Gunning Simulation Centre is an advanced training facility at Children's Hospital in London, Ontario. Donor support is **helping Children's Hospital bring its powerful hands-on simulation training to 33 community hospitals** in smaller centres across Ontario. This work has been shown to sharpen crisis management skills, reduce errors, and ultimately improve care.

**"Ruth, the JPCH [Jim Pattison Children's Hospital] Music Therapist, was a miracle worker. Ruth's drums and songs brought smiles and laughter to our son Mark's face, and tears to our eyes. It was a pivotal moment for Mark, as the hospital became less scary and more homey, and we got to see Mark's joy again."**

Jon, dad of JPCH patient Mark



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