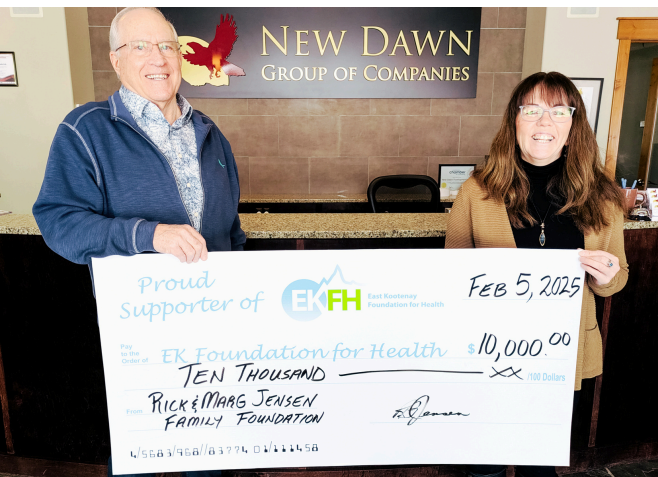




Impact Report

2024-2025

Over **\$2.2 million** raised to improve health care
across the East Kootenay from April 2024 to March 2025.



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Donation Photos: Invermere Health Care Auxiliary, Cloverdale Paints, Wildstone Golf Course, Dr John Nesbitt Peak Family Dental Centre, Boston Pizza, Baynes Lake Community Society, Rick & Marg Jensen Family Foundation.

Donation Summary



Over **\$2.2 Million** raised through



1057 Donations & Events

in support of health care for:



5 Hospitals

Creston Valley Hospital
East Kootenay Regional Hospital
Elk Valley Hospital
Golden & District Hospital
Invermere & District Hospital



5 Long Term Care Homes

Columbia House
Dr FW Green Home
Durand Manor
Swan Valley Lodge
Kimberley Special Care Home



3 Health Care Centres

Elkford Health Centre
Kimberley Health Centre
Sparwood Primary Health Care

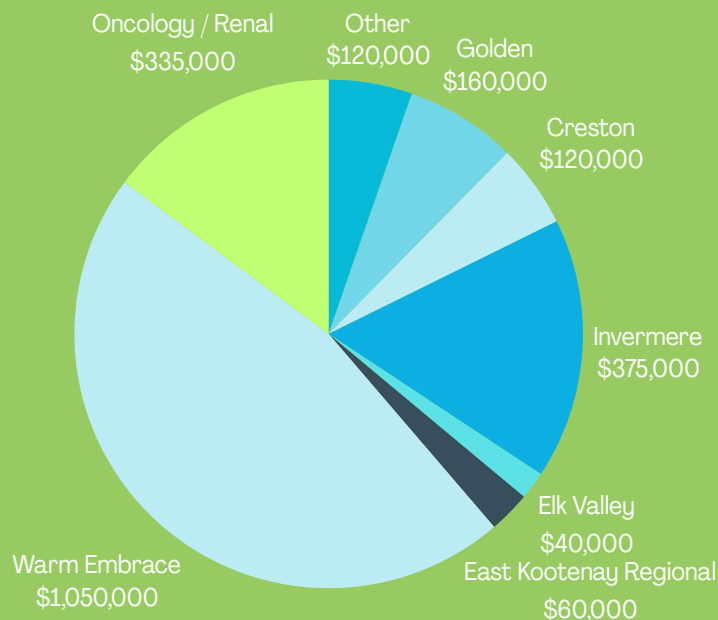


A
Big Campaign
for our
Tiniest Patients



Oncology / Renal Expansion
at East Kootenay Regional Hospital

Funds raised to communities across the East Kootenay in 2024-2025



Community Highlights

A Warm Embrace Campaign Complete

Since kicking off in July 2023, the Warm Embrace Campaign raised over \$1.8 million towards a much needed Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at East Kootenay Regional Hospital.

This NICU will save many premature babies and their parents from having to make the long journey to Kelowna or Vancouver for care. It will allow more of our families to start off life together close to home. Those who still require more serious NICU care across the province will also be able to come home sooner.

We saw incredible community support for the campaign coming in from everything from The Night for NICU concert hosted by Bears paw Contracting and the Festival Company to the toonies slid under our office door “for the babies”.

From McPherson Funeral Home raising over \$6500 with a community BBQ to record setting donations from the Invermere and Kimberley Health Care Auxiliaries to the Studio Spinathon, to pancake breakfasts around the community, our donors came together for this fantastic improvement for our tiniest patients.

We want to thank everyone, from our poster child for the campaign Everleigh Trimble, to our Starlite donors, to our third-party event hosts, to our local business sponsors, and individual donors for spreading the word and supporting the campaign.

Construction on the NICU started in March 2025. We are hoping to have it complete by early 2026. We truly couldn't have done this without you.

Photos: The Night for NICU concert in the Elk Valley, Warm Embrace Poster Child and NICU baby Everleigh Trimble celebrates her first birthday, McPherson Funeral Services donates the proceeds from a large community BBQ in support of the NICU.



Community Highlights



New Equipment!

We supported many new upgrades and pieces of equipment for facilities across this East Kootenay this year. Highlights included:

A new **portable ultrasound** for the Intensive Care Unit at the East Kootenay Regional Hospital. This unit will reduce the need for patients to be transported between the ICU and medical imaging for results, resulting in quicker results for physicians. The purchase made in partnership with the Cranbrook Health Care Auxiliary, who supported a second unit for the Emergency Department.

Upgrades to the furniture at the **Palliative Care Family Room** at East Kootenay Regional Hospital. These upgrades will provide comfort and care to families of loved ones so they do not need to leave the hospital during one of the most difficult times. They were supported by the Cranbrook Royal Canadian Legion Branch #24.

A **new bed** for the Elk Valley Hospital palliative room, supported by the Elk Valley Hospice Society.



Many new upgrades to equipment, wheelchairs, and patient comfort at the **Invermere & District Hospital**, made possible with the support of the Invermere Health Care Auxiliary.

Upgrades to patient lifts and other surgical equipment at the **Creston Valley Hospital**, made possible by support for the Creston fund from across the region.

A **Fetal Heart Monitor** to provide support for mothers and newborns in the maternity department of Golden & District Hospital. This purchase was supported by the Sandra Schmirler Foundation.



A **new T1 Ventilator** for the East Kootenay High Acuity Response Team to help when transporting patients across the region to higher levels of care. This purchase was supported by the TB Vets Charitable Foundation.

Improved care for our loved ones, including the start of furniture upgrades at **Durand Manor** and new software for tracking resident activity at the **Kimberley Special Care Home**.

Photos: The new T1 ventilator for the HART Team, Durand Manor is in the process of getting new furniture for long term care residents, attendees at the Golden Gatsby's Gala in November raise funds in support of Durand Manor (Jackie Lynn Photography)

Current Campaigns

Help Durand Manor Feel Like Home

Durand Manor is missing comfortable rooms for the residents. Most of the furnishings are either over 20 years old or nonexistent. There are no dressers or nightstands in many of the bedrooms for the residents. The dining room and the lounge furniture is old, outdated, and unacceptable for the needs of our loved ones.

We are raising \$100,000 to ensure all residents have safe, hospital grade, accessible, and senior friendly furniture.

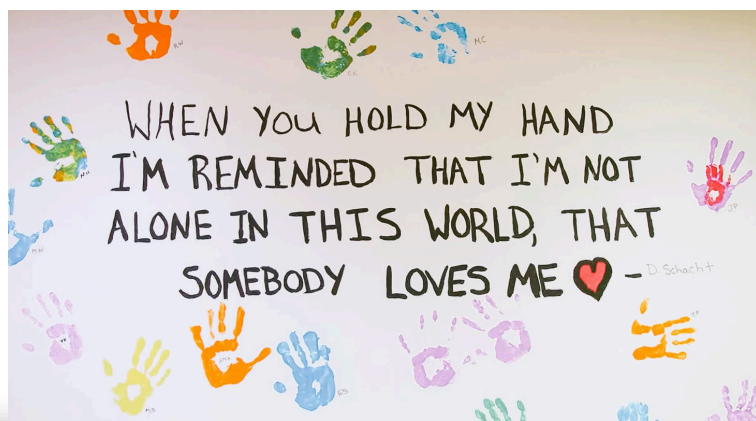
Support Oncology / Renal Expansion at EKRH

Our current spaces for care were outgrown years ago. One of the most important things staff, patients, and families need during this difficult journey is privacy. We don't have this right now. Oncology is an open space with only nine chairs and renal is an open space with only four chairs.

Through our support of the Oncology and Renal expansion, we will be able to expand the current spaces and add additional equipment and services.

Monthly Donations

Monthly giving provides a stable, much-needed source of funding to the areas of greatest need in your community or across the East Kootenay. Sign up today for a monthly gift of \$10, \$25, or an amount of your choosing, to show your ongoing support to improving health care and patient comfort. Your donations are safely and securely automatically withdrawn from your bank account or processed on your credit card every month – and you can change the amount or cancel at any time.



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