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## **North Shore Family Makes Significant Gift to Lions Gate Hospital**

The North Shore's Jamal Family has given a major boost to the largest health care initiative on the North Shore by donating \$2 million to support the building of a high-tech Medical & Surgical Centre at Lions Gate Hospital.

As long-time residents in the community, the family was keen to support the project which will transform patient care. "We feel privileged to have called the North Shore home for so many years and wanted to give back to this community that has been so good to us. LGH is an integral part of our community," says Abdul Jamal, founder of real estate investment company, Pacific Reach Properties.

Just 17 months after Lions Gate Hospital Foundation launched the campaign to bring life-changing care to the North Shore, the campaign total stands at \$86.5 million. To date, the campaign has received 5,064 donations from individuals, families and local businesses who share the Foundation's determination to bring 21<sup>st</sup> Century Care to the local hospital.

Judy Savage, President & CEO of Lions Gate Hospital Foundation (LGHF) is excited that the family has chosen to invest in a project supported by so many local residents. "We are delighted that the Jamal family has chosen to become a part of this historic community campaign that will transform future care for everyone," she says. "This significant donation puts us within sight of our goal to raise \$100 million to build the facility and we are extremely grateful for their generous support."

The campaign to build the new facility is the most ambitious in the Foundation's history. It will feature 108 single patient rooms with ensuite facilities, eight operating rooms and a virtual tele-health department.

A new high-efficiency power plant is currently under construction to provide power for the new Centre which is scheduled for completion in 2022.

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*Established in 1987, Lions Gate Hospital Foundation is the fundraising arm of the hospital. The Foundation is currently running a \$100 million campaign to build a new Medical & Surgical Centre. The campaign total currently stands at \$86.5 million.*

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