



Lady Minto
Hospital Foundation

Caring for
Our Island
Community

Minto Message

Summer 2025

Investing in New Life: ACoRN Program

At Lady Minto Hospital, the beginning of life is treated with the utmost care and compassion. Recently, a group of our nurses, midwives, and physicians participated in the Acute Care of the at-Risk Newborn (ACoRN) program, a nationally recognized, hands-on training course that equips frontline providers with advanced skills to care for newborns who need specialized support at birth.

This important initiative was made possible through a partnership between Island Health, the Rural Obstetric and Maternity Program, and the generosity of Lady Minto Hospital Foundation donors.

Thanks to you, families on Salt Spring Island continue to receive safe, expert care close to home.



Emergency Room Update: Jenny's Perspective

Since the opening of the newly expanded Emergency Department at Lady Minto Hospital, patients and staff alike have shared overwhelmingly positive feedback. The larger, modernized space has improved flow, enhanced privacy, and created a more calming environment for those in urgent need of care.

“I am grateful to live, work, and play on the unceded traditional territories of the Stz’uminus, W̱SÁNEĆ, and Hul’q’umi’num’-speaking peoples. I want to express my deep gratitude to the Lady Minto Foundation and to the donors whose generosity helped create this beautiful and spacious new Emergency Department. This space enables our care team to continue to strive to provide excellent health and care—for everyone, everywhere, every time,” shared Jenny Redpath, Lady Minto’s Site Manager.

The completion of the ER transformation marks a major milestone for our island community. We extend heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped us contribute over \$8 million to the project, your support is already making a meaningful difference every single day.



2025 Hospital Wishlist: Safe Births and More Staff

Ongoing professional development is just one way we're working to improve birth and neonatal services. As part of our **2025 Hospital Wishlist**, we are currently raising funds to:

- **2025 Recruitment Campaign** to support ongoing efforts to attract and retain talented healthcare professionals to fill critical vacancies.
- **Refresh our birthing suite** to create a modern, family-centered environment for welcoming new life.

Together, these initiatives will strengthen patient care at Lady Minto by helping to ensure we have the staff needed to meet our community's needs and by providing a more comfortable, up-to-date space for expecting families.

Join Us in Supporting Care on Salt Spring

Your donation makes a direct impact by investing in advanced equipment, training, and a warm, modern birthing environment. Because every beginning deserves the very best.

Support our 2025 Wishlist today: www.ladymintofoundation.com/donate/.



34th Annual Golf Tournament: A Record-Breaking Success!

Thanks to your extraordinary generosity, the 34th Annual Lady Minto Hospital Foundation Golf Tournament: Young at Heart was a remarkable success!

Our goal for this year was to raise \$60,000 to fund a new fetal monitor and cardiac stress test machine. Thanks to the incredible generosity of our community, we surpassed that goal—raising over \$75,000! The additional funds will help support activities in Long Term Care and other upgrades!

Fundraising Goal Surpassed

REVENUE SOURCE	AMOUNT RAISED
Sponsorships	\$26,200
Donations	\$24,171
Registrations / Dinner	\$12,300
Online Auction	\$5,400
Live Auction	\$6,600
Raffle	\$375
Putting Game	\$200
Total	\$75,246

As donors, sponsors, and participants, you've shown your deep commitment to advancing the most urgent healthcare needs on Salt Spring Island. From the bottom of our hearts: **thank you.**

You can read the full impact report on our website, www.ladymintofoundation.com.



Care On Salt Spring: New Housing Portal Launch

Finding housing on Salt Spring Island can be challenging — especially for healthcare workers arriving to support our community. That's why the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation is proud to support **Care On Salt Spring**, a new online housing portal connecting healthcare staff with local rental opportunities.

Since launching, we've already received **9 tenant profiles** from healthcare workers looking for housing and **5 property listings** from local landlords offering suites, cottages, and rental homes. Every listing makes a meaningful difference in helping healthcare providers live and work on Salt Spring.

If you have a rental unit or know someone who does, consider listing it today!

Learn more at www.careonsaltspring.ca!

Featured Tenant Profiles



Rajvinder Cheema

Food Service Worker
Lady Minto Hospital
Monthly Budget: \$900



Hannah Thomson

Registered Nurse
Greenwoods
Monthly Budget: \$2500



Haris Ibrahimovic

Dietary Aid
Greenwoods
Monthly Budget: \$1200



Cheryl de Maat

Health Worker
Lady Minto Hospital
Monthly Budget: \$900

Explore more tenant profiles on Care On Salt Spring and connect directly with healthcare workers in need of safe, affordable housing.

Bittancourt Housing Project: Construction Underway!

We are thrilled to share that construction is nearing completion the Bittancourt Affordable Housing Project!

This 18-unit development will provide stable, affordable homes for hospital staff — helping to address the critical housing shortage for healthcare workers on Salt Spring.

The construction is going smoothly and is progressing on schedule. The project is expected to be ready by Winter 2025, and we can't wait to welcome our healthcare heroes into their new homes!

Bittancourt Progress Photos



Interested in supporting the Bittancourt Housing Project? We gratefully accept donations through the following methods:

- **Donate online:** www.ladymintofoundation.com/donate
- **Send an e-transfer:** accounts@ladymintofoundation.com
- **Give us a call:** 250.931.1888
- **Drop off a cheque:** 5A – 121 McPhillips Ave