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Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital Foundation
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Scotiabank completes 4 year pledge to Carleton Place Hospital

The Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital (CPDMH) Foundation is pleased to announce that Scotiabank has completed its four-year pledge of \$20,000 to the *Help Improve Tomorrow Today!* campaign. The final instalment of the pledge, \$5,000, was directed towards the purchase of a new anaesthetic machine for the hospital's operating room.



Emily Farrell, District Vice-President, Cathy Currie, Branch Manager with Mike Gagne, CEO of CPDMH

“Scotiabank has always helped the communities where we operate and the Carleton Place Branch is very proud to be involved with the Hospital and other organizations within the community”, stated Cathy Currie Branch Manager. “We would like this donation to be dedicated to the community that has supported us over the last 125 years and we hope to be involved in this community for 125 more.”

“On behalf of the CPDMH Foundation I would like to thank Scotiabank for their wonderful generosity and for honouring their pledge to our campaign”, said Sylvie Powell, President of the CPDMH Foundation. “As well I would like to thank everyone associated with the Carleton Place Branch for their service to the community over that last 125 years.”

In addition to completing their pledge, Scotiabank also donated \$1000 to the Foundation. This donation was made through Scotia's Employee Volunteer Program on behalf of Cathy Currie who has been a member of the CPDMH Board of Trustees since June 2006. Under the program, the Bank donates up to \$1,000 per year to charitable organizations in which Scotia employees and pensioners are active volunteers. In 2006 Scotiabank employees spent more than 300,000 hours volunteering and fundraising through the Bank's Employee Volunteer Program.

With close to 57,000 employees and 2,200 branches and offices worldwide, Scotiabank Group and its affiliates serve approximately 12 million customers in some 50 countries. In 2006, Scotiabank provided more than \$42 million in donations and sponsorships to a variety of Canadian and international projects and initiatives, primarily in education, health care, social services, and arts and culture. This generosity has resulted in Scotiabank being one of the Canada's largest philanthropic organizations and allows Scotiabank to qualify for Imagine Caring Companies status. This designation,

established by the Canadian Centre for Philanthropy, recognizes organizations that donate at least one per cent of domestic pre-tax profits to support domestic charities and non-profit groups.

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