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**With your support,
we are connecting the
power of philanthropy
with the power of health
care innovation.
Thank you.**

Christina Anthony, Board Chair and
Barbara Grantham, President & CEO

Transforming health care together

VGH & UBC Hospital Foundation is *the* philanthropic engine for health care innovation and transformation in British Columbia. Our hospitals and health care centres are able to deliver the best care possible for the people of British Columbia when they need it most because of you — our donors and supporters.

A young firefighter is alive and well today because of revolutionary advances in neurocritical care made at VGH. Our *Future of Surgery* campaign is reducing wait times for both urgent and scheduled surgeries at VGH and UBC Hospital. And advances in personalized medicine based on OVCARE research mean that cancer survivor Candy Woodworth is a happy grandmother.

These are examples of the lives being saved and improved through health care transformations accelerated by philanthropy. We are incredibly grateful to philanthropic investors who join with us so our clinical partner — Vancouver Coastal Health — can deliver BC's most highly specialized adult health care, groundbreaking research and thoughtful system transformation.

As our Foundation looks ahead to our upcoming 40th anniversary next year, we are filled with joy and awe at what all of us, together, have accomplished for this great province. We know that our unique mandate is bringing the value of philanthropy to the transformation of health care. And we thank you for your vital support.

With respect and gratitude,

Christina Anthony
Board Chair

Barbara Grantham
President & CEO

The Future of Surgery is here

Ritchie Biln was 30 years old when his life changed forever. The experienced backcountry snowmobiler was out for a ride near Squamish when the snow underneath him gave way. He crashed down 30 feet, cracking his back on a metal bracket of his snowmobile. He couldn't move.

At VGH, Ritchie underwent several MRIs which showed the impact of the fall had shattered his vertebrae and bone fragments were embedded in his spinal cord. Orthopaedic Spine Surgeon Dr. Brian Kwon assessed that Ritchie would need surgery to remove the bone fragments and realign his spine.

"It was very severe," says Dr. Kwon. "With that kind of injury we were very concerned about the potential that there wouldn't be any function from the waist down."

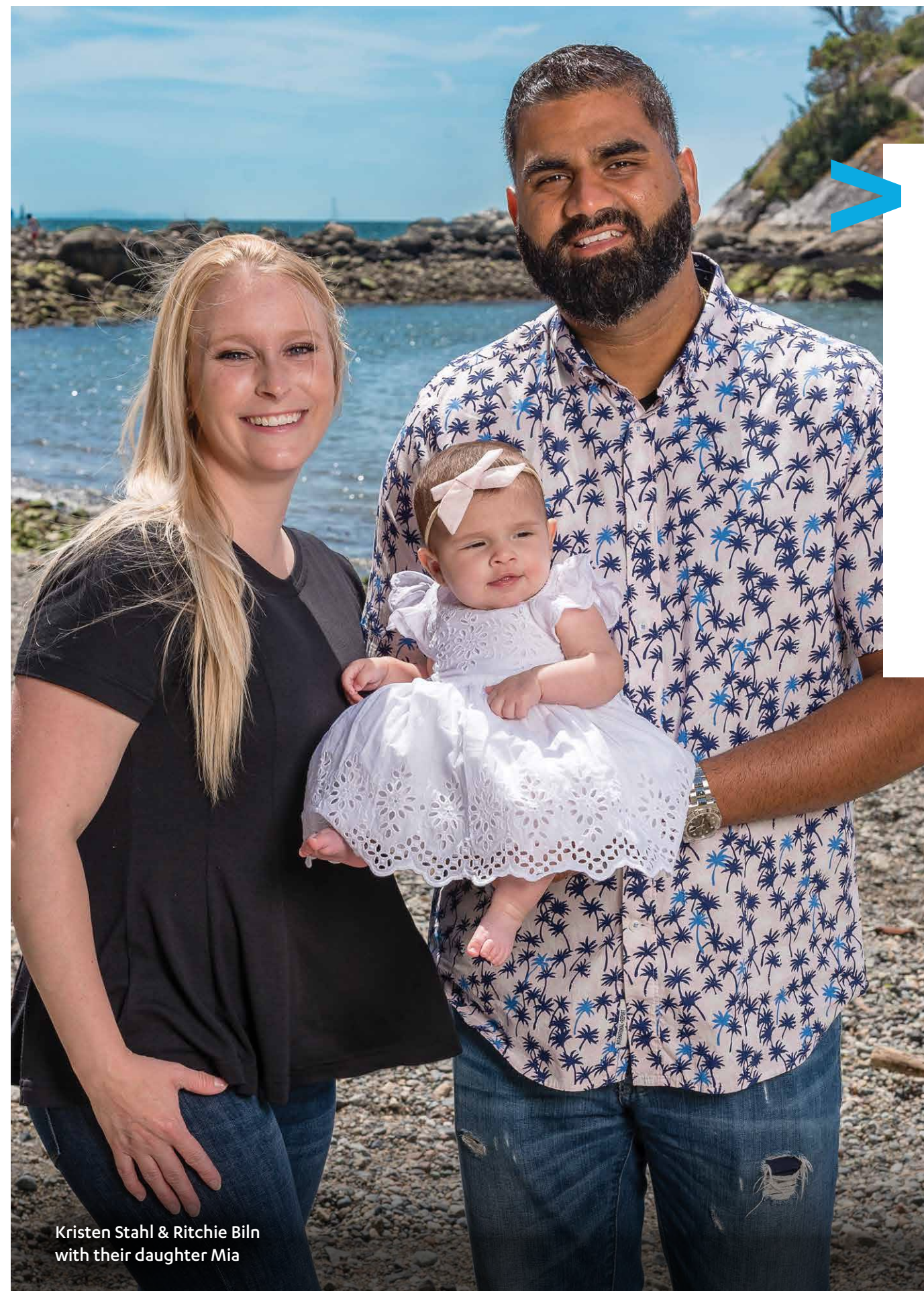
Ritchie's future was in his hands.

The Future of Surgery is saving families

Dr. Kwon led Ritchie's complex five-hour surgery, methodically removing bone fragments, and decompressing and realigning his spine. After the delicate and painstaking procedure, Ritchie's spine was repaired with no lasting damage.

Ritchie and his partner Kristen have since married and welcomed their first child into their lives. They have come out of the experience with a renewed sense of life and an appreciation for the expert medical care available at VGH.

"Things can happen at any time. And in the unfortunate circumstances it does, the donations that support state-of-the-art equipment, the best services and the most amazing staff will make all the difference to your care, treatment, recovery and outcome," says Kristen.



Kristen Stahl & Ritchie Biln with their daughter Mia

The Future of Surgery is vital, and so are you

Since 2016, the *Future of Surgery* campaign has been transforming surgical care at VGH and UBC Hospital.

Thousands of donors have come together to raise more than \$52 million towards our *Future of Surgery* campaign, including recent major gifts from Peter Bentley & family, James & Julie King, Donald & Julia Leung, and Bob & Lily Lee. Each gift has brought us that much closer to our \$60 million goal.

Only by working together is this transformation possible. Through the dedication and passion of the *Future of Surgery* fundraising cabinet, the *Time to Shine* gala committee and many other supporters, we are creating a new future for health care in BC.

"By supporting the advancement of surgical care, we are investing in the future. Not just for us, but for generations to come."

DONALD & JULIA LEUNG
Donors





The *Future of Surgery* is for all British Columbians

VGH and UBC Hospital are centres of surgical excellence caring for 60% of all adult trauma cases in BC. Over 30,000 surgeries are completed each year — saving and improving the lives of our loved ones.

To ensure our medical teams have the best environments to undertake their life-saving work, a \$145 million transformation of the surgical facilities at VGH and UBC Hospital is under way. And while Vancouver Coastal Health and the provincial government are funding the majority of the costs, our *Future of Surgery* campaign is raising \$60 million. Donations have already been put to use — saving the lives of patients every day.

Trauma, tumour and transplant care

VGH is the only site in BC for lung, liver and pancreas transplants. In 2018, VGH performed 50% of all organ transplants in the province, including 50 double lung transplants.

When faced with a serious trauma, tumour removal or organ transplant, VGH and UBC Hospital are often the only places in BC that can help.

These two locations are working together to better serve all surgical patients. The *Future of Surgery* revitalization project will enable more scheduled surgeries to be performed at UBC Hospital, while traumas and the most complex cases continue to be directed to VGH. This will reduce surgical wait times across the board.

When you or a loved one needs surgery, you don't want to wait or worry. You need high quality care, followed by a swift recovery. You need access to the best staff, equipment and technology in BC.

You need the *Future of Surgery*.

The *Future of Surgery* is

2 surgical locations



VGH



UBC Hospital

VGH

16

state-of-the-art operating rooms

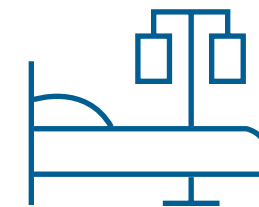
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1 HYBRID OR
imaging and surgical facilities combined

VGH

40

pre- and post-op recovery beds



UBC Hospital

2

revitalized in-patient units
INCLUDING

1 HIGH ACUITY UNIT
for critically ill patients

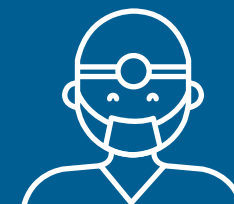
Outcomes



groundbreaking technology
in the hands of our medical experts



reduced wait times
when you or a loved one needs surgery

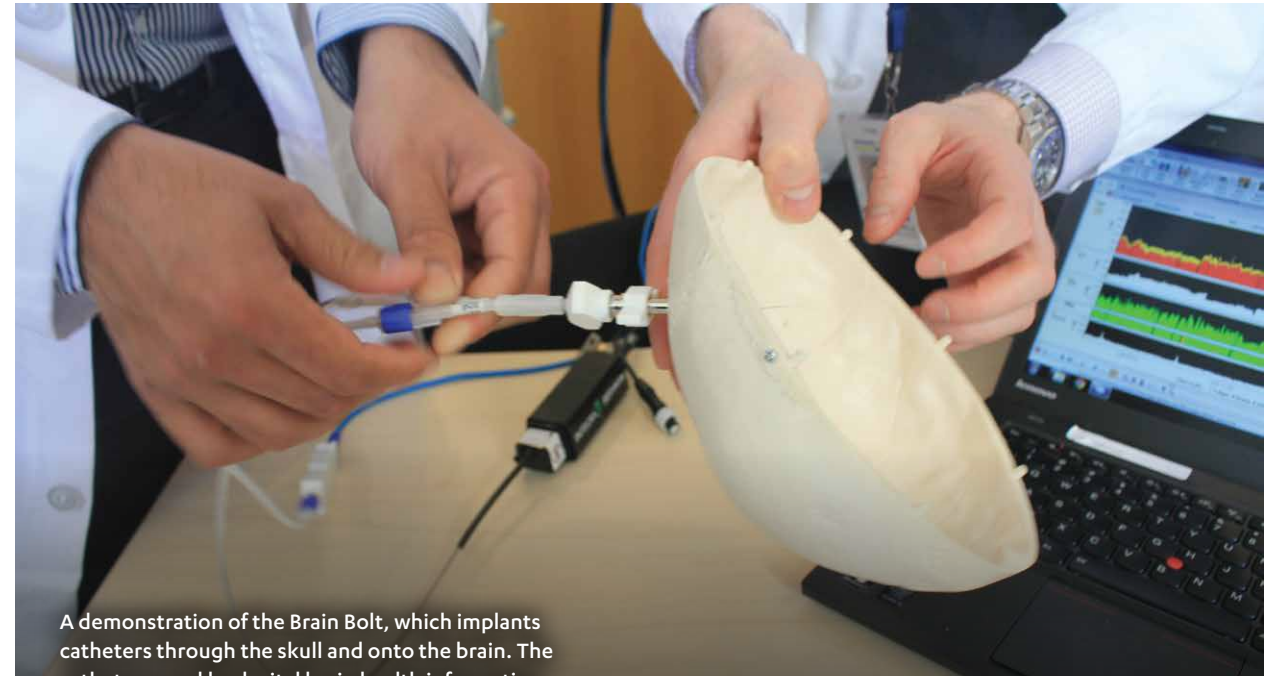


optimized recovery
to return you to a healthy life





L-R: Jim Jones, Linda Nimmerrichter Holmes, Dr. Don Griesdale, Donna Jones, Ryan Jones and Dr. Myp Sekhon



A demonstration of the Brain Bolt, which implants catheters through the skull and onto the brain. The catheters send back vital brain health information to the health care team to help them make the best medical decisions for each patient.

BRAIN HEALTH

Revolutionizing brain care

Intensive care physicians Drs. Myp Sekhon and Don Griesdale, and Neurosurgeon Dr. Peter Gooderham are, without a doubt, revolutionaries of medicine.

What started as a fellowship training opportunity at the University of Cambridge has transformed the trio of physicians into world leaders in their field.

“What we learned there about brain monitoring procedures has shaped the Neurocritical Care (NCC) program at VGH, a joint collaborative effort between the Divisions of Critical Care and Neurosurgery,” says Dr. Sekhon.

“The technology itself is very exciting. However, life-saving results are only achieved when the information is interpreted and applied by the multidisciplinary and expert team caring for the patient. This is what is truly making our new NCC program a success.”

The innovative Neurocritical Care program at VGH is saving lives and improving the chances of recovery. The odds of regaining full brain function following a traumatic brain injury used to be 37%. Now, the recovery rate is 60%.

This medical revolution was only made possible because of philanthropy. Seeing firsthand the lives saved and the families reunited, the staff of the NCC program have been inspired to themselves donate to this life-changing work. Dr. Griesdale and his wife, Peggy, personally committed to give \$100,000. Additionally, the Intensive Care Unit at VGH has established a philanthropic fund and staff make monthly contributions to support the future of the NCC program.

Philanthropic spark ignited innovation

Linda Nimmerrichter Holmes, a lifelong philanthropist, donated \$25,000 which enabled VGH to purchase the first multimodal neuromonitoring device in Canada, also known as the Brain Bolt.

Linda’s generosity provided Drs. Sekhon and Griesdale with the tools to revolutionize traumatic brain injury care at VGH. The use of the Brain Bolt is saving patients who were previously thought “untreatable”.

The Brain Bolt first proved its utility in April 2015, when Olympic-hopeful freestyle skier Jamie Crane-Mauzy suffered a traumatic brain injury while competing at Whistler. She was airlifted to VGH and, for the first time in North America, the Brain Bolt was used on a patient — and it worked. Jamie made a full recovery and recently graduated from university.

“Advances in health care require a leap of faith. We know so little about the brain, but we now have very capable doctors working together. I’m very encouraged to know that not only is this technology saving lives, but it’s saving young lives. Families. All I can say is that I feel really, really honoured to have been able to do this.”

LINDA NIMMERRICHTER HOLMES
Donor





Ryan Jones



“Ryan’s accident was the worst time of our lives. But due to the cutting-edge care available at VGH, the transformation in our son was nothing short of remarkable. We’re so grateful to have our Ryan back. And we wanted to give back so that more lives and families can be saved.”

JIM & DONNA JONES

Donors and Ryan’s parents



Beyond the brain

Encouraged by early success with the Brain Bolt, the team began to consider other applications for the device.

“Our work with Ryan Jones was a medical first,” says Dr. Griesdale. “And I’m proud to say, it is transforming medicine.”

Unseasonal snow was thick on the road in May 2016 as 22 year old wildland firefighter Ryan Jones was on his way to a forest fire near Fort St. John. Suddenly his car wheels became stuck and he veered into the oncoming lane. He saw a car approaching and tried to turn, but his car was stuck in the snow — he couldn’t turn away.

“The impact of the accident caused Ryan’s heart to go into cardiac arrest for 35 minutes. This caused a traumatic injury to his brain due to lack of oxygen,” says Dr. Griesdale.

To give Ryan the best chance of recovery, Drs. Sekhon and Griesdale had a revolutionary idea. For the first time in medical history they would use the Brain Bolt on a cardiac arrest patient.

By placing the Brain Bolt device into Ryan’s brain, vital second-to-second information was provided including oxygen levels and blood pressure.

“Immediately the team was able to begin healing Ryan’s brain,” says Dr. Sekhon.

Now fully recovered, Ryan says, “A year ago I didn’t think it was going to be possible to go back to firefighting because my body and brain were not in good shape. But now I have a second chance. I’m going to do what I love for my career.”

Ryan’s parents, Donna and Jim, were so grateful for the care and support their son received that they donated \$10,000 to the NCC program at VGH.

Following Ryan’s successful outcome, Dr. Sekhon and his colleagues continue to study the use of the Brain Bolt on cardiac arrest patients. The results are astounding.

“Before Ryan’s case, we applied a one-size-fits-all approach to regulating blood pressure in cardiac patients. Well, no more,” says Dr. Sekhon. “Personalizing medicine with this technology has the potential to save thousands of lives.”

Philanthropy is providing VGH’s world-leading experts in neurocritical care with the knowledge and tools they need to save lives that would otherwise be lost.

And this is only the beginning.

3T MRI machine: clarity in medicine

We are raising funds to acquire a 3T MRI machine to help meet rising demand for imaging at a much higher level of diagnostic accuracy. The technology will enable our clinicians to detect even the tiniest tissue changes, particularly those in the minute folds of the brain. This will support earlier, more accurate diagnosis and a better prognosis for tumours and many other conditions.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, including the Segal family, Stephen Sander & family, and guests at the 2018 TELUS Night of a Thousand Stars gala presented by Capital Direct, we are closer to securing this vital equipment.





Courtenay Payne with her mother Candy Woodworth

➤ **“The OVCARE team’s goal is to decrease cancer mortality from all gynecological cancers by 50 per cent in 20 years. And with the continued hard work of our team and philanthropic support, we know that this is realistic.”**

DR. DIANNE MILLER
Co-Founder of OVCARE

CANCER

Leaders in cancer care

A cancer diagnosis is life changing.

Two in five British Columbians will face the fight against cancer. And it affects families and loved ones too. While progress is being made, nearly a quarter of all cancer patients will lose their life to the disease.

This is why VGH and UBC Hospital are working to transform cancer care.

Breakthroughs and advancements in cancer care are being made at our world-leading research and clinical programs, including the Ovarian Cancer Research (OVCARE) Program and the Vancouver Prostate Centre. These programs, along with others across VCH, have some of the top medical talent and research expertise in Canada working together. They are focused on discovering new ways to diagnose, treat and even prevent the most complex cancers facing British Columbians today.

“If there’s one thing better than curing cancer, it’s never getting it in the first place,” says Dr. Dianne Miller, Co-Founder of OVCARE.

Personalizing cancer treatment and care

Candy Woodworth was warming up in her Pilates class when she twisted her body and felt a sudden discomfort in her abdomen. The next week in the same class she tried the same twist and it was still uncomfortable, so she made a doctor’s appointment.

What she learned would change her life.

“It was ovarian cancer, and it was the most aggressive kind,” says Candy. “A tumour was growing and I needed surgery. So I did some

research and learned about Dr. Dianne Miller — a world-class surgical oncologist and researcher. And she was right here in Vancouver at VGH.”

Dr. Miller led Candy’s first surgery. Over the next 18 months, Candy’s battle continued as her cancer recurred twice more. But then the OVCARE team made a breakthrough based on their research into new cancer treatments. Tests of Candy’s tumour showed it had a BRCA gene mutation. Dr. Miller and the OVCARE team had successfully treated similar types of cancer with a trial medication. This knowledge fast-tracked Candy into a clinical trial and saved her life. Two and a half years later, Candy remains cancer free. She is a happy and grateful mother and grandmother.

Inspiring hope through philanthropy

Philanthropy is what drives innovation and advancements in health care that would otherwise not be possible. The impact our donors have is immeasurable and is transforming cancer care, not just in BC, but around the world.

“It is about hope,” says Dr. Miller. “When we find new ways to treat cancer like we did with Candy, we provide another avenue of recovery. The OVCARE team’s goal is to decrease cancer mortality from all gynecological cancers by 50 per cent in 20 years. And with the continued hard work of our team and philanthropic support, we know that this is realistic.”

Philanthropists Rudy and Patricia North believe in Dr. Miller’s vision and have donated \$2.5 million to support the OVCARE research team.

“We’re not patients, we’re just givers,” says Patricia. “We give to OVCARE to help fund the best research which we believe will lead to a cure.”

Together, we can make a difference for all British Columbians impacted by cancer.



Dr. Sriram Subramaniam, a world-leading researcher in precision medicine treatments for cancer care.



Dr. Kathryn Isaac, a champion for all aspects of breast cancer care, including helping patients to navigate their health care journey.

Bringing top talent to BC

With philanthropic support, we are recruiting world-leading experts for key roles that will have lasting impact on cancer research and treatment in BC.

A transformational \$18 million gift from Aqueduct Foundation on behalf of an anonymous donor helped bring precision medicine expert, Dr. Sriram Subramaniam, to Vancouver. He will design precise, targeted and cost-effective cancer treatments working in partnership with the Vancouver Prostate Centre at VGH, UBC, the Djavad Mowafaghian Centre for Brain Health and other research centres.

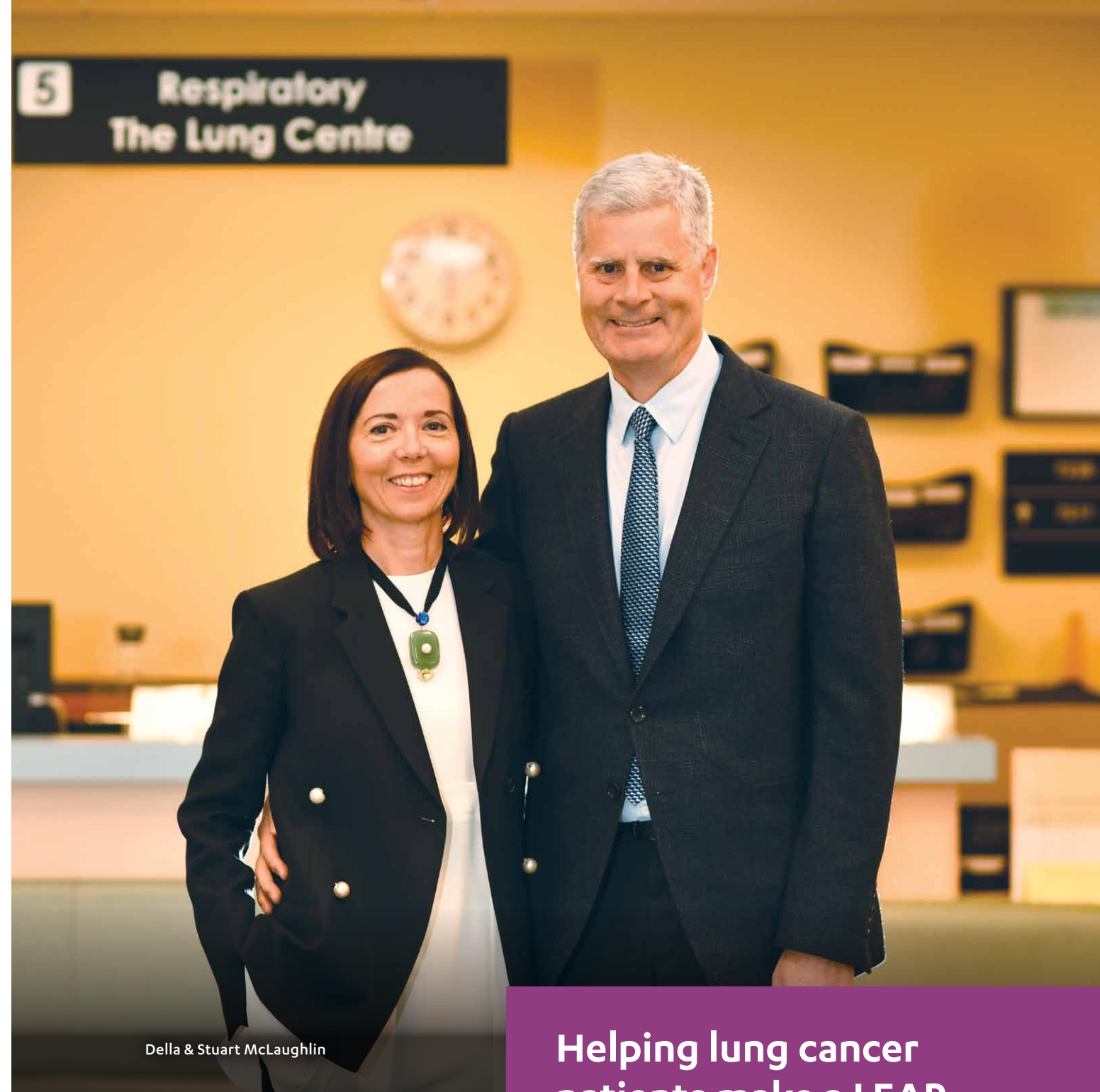
“I am honoured to have been appointed the Gobind Khorana Canada Excellence Research Chair in Precision Cancer Drug Design. Our work has the potential to establish VGH, UBC and Canada at the forefront of the emerging era of precision medicine and bring about transformative discoveries in cancer, neuroscience and infectious disease,” says Dr. Subramaniam.

Also through philanthropic funding, the Dr. Patricia Clugston Chair in Breast Reconstruction has been established. Plastic Surgeon Dr. Kathryn Isaac — one of the up-and-coming surgical talents who joined VCH in recent years — has been appointed to the role. In addition to performing breast reconstruction at VGH and UBC Hospital, Dr. Isaac will be a champion for all aspects of breast cancer care.

Dr. Isaac has joined forces with her equally talented colleagues, Drs. Sheina Macadam and Andrea MacNeill, in their ambitious project to revolutionize the breast cancer patient journey. This crucial work will be supported by a gift from Jim and Yvette Philip, who were inspired by the breast cancer journey of their own daughter, Jennifer.

“As a breast cancer survivor, I feel so fortunate to be able to share my story now. The team at VCH gave me my life back. I want women out there experiencing the same thing to know they are not alone.”

JENNIFER KELLY
Grateful patient



Della & Stuart McLaughlin

Helping lung cancer patients make a LEAP

Generous philanthropists Della and Stuart McLaughlin are supporting the creation of the Rapid Access Lung Evaluation & Assessment Program (LEAP).

“LEAP will enable us to work together to diagnose and treat suspected lung cancer patients more effectively,” says Dr. John Yee, Head of Thoracic Surgery at VGH and UBC Hospital. “This will save lives.”

The goals of LEAP are to shorten the diagnostic process for patients suspected of having lung cancer, and improve their overall experience from diagnosis through to treatment and, if needed, palliative care.



Simon Smith and his partner
Dr. Raewyn Broady of VGH



Dr. Tara Sedlak



Dr. Saul Isserow



Dr. Matt Bennett and
Nurse Heather Engum



Dr. Margot Davis



Dr. David Wood



Dr. Jason Andrade

VGH's Cardiology team is pushing the boundaries of medicine, driving vital research and ensuring patients receive the care they deserve in their time of need.

HEART & LUNG

Pushing the boundaries of cardiac care

One weekday morning Simon Smith drove to work, parked his car and walked up the stairs to his office. He had no idea that in just a few hours he would be fighting for his life.

"I remember going up the stairs and feeling winded, and it was only two flights," says Simon.

Although his shortness of breath went away, his throat felt uncomfortable. So, he called his wife, Dr. Raewyn Broady who works at VGH. She advised him to get medical attention right away. Simon went straight to the VGH Emergency Room where he exchanged texts with his wife, telling her he was doing OK.

A few minutes later Dr. Broady got a call from ER staff saying, *I'm really sorry to tell you this, but your husband has gone into cardiac arrest and we haven't been able to resuscitate him.*

She hung up and rushed down to the ER.

Life-saving technology

When Dr. Broady arrived, the medical team told her that Simon's best chance of surviving was to use a portable heart-lung machine called ECMO. This life-saving technology allows the heart and lungs to recover, and keeps organs functioning while medical teams continue their work.

Within 10 minutes of his cardiac arrest Simon was in a catheterization laboratory at VGH where ECMO was initiated and blood-flow to his heart was restored. Two days later Simon's heart was beating on its own. ECMO and the teams of medical experts at VGH had saved his life.

"The secret to saving lives is a high functioning team that can provide a coordinated and critical level of care," says Dr. Don Griesdale, the critical care medicine physician who along with the medical team made the request for ECMO. "Simon is alive today because of expert collaboration between ICU, Cardiovascular Surgery, Cardiology and Emergency Medicine."

> **"It is my privilege to be able to contribute to a cause that has deeply affected my life. My father passed away from heart disease, and I want to give the medical teams at VGH the equipment, tools and resources they need to best help patients like him in the future."**

JOHN TSAI
Donor



Supported by a community of philanthropists

VGH and UBC Hospital are filled with world-renowned cardiothoracic specialists who are focused on providing the best possible care today while undertaking innovative research to improve the care of tomorrow. VGH was the site of BC's first open heart surgery more than 50 years ago and, from then to today, the team continues to push the boundaries of cardiac care.

And with a community of generous philanthropists like John Tsai behind them, we are improving cardiac care every day.

It is because of philanthropists like John that Simon Smith received the vital care he needed — from the best medical team utilizing state-of-the-art technology. Today, Simon has returned to his normal life with no lasting effects.

"I can't thank the medical team enough for their dedication and professionalism, it's just amazing," says Simon. "I feel like I have a second chance at life."

“End-of-life is a reality for every human being. We are often shy to address this openly, and need to take the time to listen to patients and their families.”

ROBERT & GRETA HO
Donors



iPACE at a glance

835 education sessions delivered to
3,468 staff members
100 new “goals of care” conversations per month

A warmer welcome

In August 2018, we celebrated the opening of the new Psychiatric Assessment Unit (PAU) at VGH.

The PAU is a main entry point for mental health clients entering the health care system and is a gateway to them receiving the support they need. The PAU renovation was designed around the three core elements of psychiatric care — safety, respect and comfort. The larger, brighter and safe space is supporting their comfort and care.

We are incredibly grateful to our donors, including Wai Mo Wong & Family, who provided the funds to rejuvenate the space.

COMMUNITY

Community impact

Robert Hung Ngai Ho C.M., O.B.C., has been a generous and prolific philanthropic partner to the Foundation and Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH). His support has enabled capital investments across VCH, including the Robert H.N. Ho Research Centre at VGH and the Greta & Robert H.N Ho Psychiatry & Education (HOpe) Centre at Lions Gate Hospital.

Two recent gifts from Robert have been creative investments in people: The Robert H.N. Ho Enhancing Patient Care Fund and the innovative iPACE program in palliative care. The significance of these gifts goes far beyond physical spaces, and their impact has been deeply felt in communities across VCH.

Empowering front line staff

The best facilities, tools and equipment need to be partnered with dedicated, innovative staff in order to have the best possible outcomes for patient care. In order to recruit and retain the best and brightest professionals, VCH requires robust training and education programs for its people.

Robert has made it his goal to transform health care by providing the investments that identify and nurture future leaders. His generosity is expanding the expertise and knowledge available across VCH, and is directly influencing and improving patient care.

“True quality of care is not only about access to the best facilities, research and equipment. It is also about investing in people, listening to them and giving them the chance and time to reflect on how to deliver the most efficient and best care possible,” says Robert. “I am proud to see that this is inspiring others to follow in our philanthropic footsteps.”

Speaking up for end-of-life care

Palliative care can be a difficult thing to talk about. Securing funding for research and program development can be challenging too.

Palliative care provides medical services, emotional support and spiritual resources for people who have terminal illnesses and are in their final stages of life. Robert’s generosity is supporting these patients

through the innovative “Integrating a Palliative Approach by having Conversations Early” (iPACE) model.

“End-of-life is a reality for every human being. We are often shy to address this openly, and need to take the time to listen to patients and their families,” says Robert. “The iPACE program is an important and integral part of my vision that by investing in people and giving them the knowledge, tools and support they need, we can make significant changes in people’s lives and their well-being — physically, mentally and spiritually.”

Through the hiring of palliative care specialist “champions” across VCH, we are improving palliative care both at home and in residential care settings. Combined with other improvements such as more hospice capacity, VCH is making the end-of-life experience more meaningful for patients and their families.

“When my husband Wai Mo passed away I wanted to find some way to honour his memory. Our gift has gone to support projects across VCH that are actively providing care to BC’s growing senior population and other vulnerable populations in our community.”

LINDA WONG
Donor, with husband Wai Mo



Innovations: the health care of tomorrow — today

A liquid skin substitute for treating burns. A gastrointestinal tract (GI) probe for early cancer detection. An Emergency Department smartphone app to transform communication between patients and health professionals. And new skin monitoring technology to improve facial reconstruction surgery outcomes.

These are four ingenious and cutting-edge ideas that inspired philanthropic support at our inaugural *Innovators' Challenge* event.

"With the power of philanthropy, we can spark the greatest push for health care innovation ever seen in BC," says Paul Geyer, Chair of the *Innovators' Challenge* Advisory Committee.

"Solutions to health care's greatest challenges won't come from one idea or person. They will come from a community of innovators and investors, using their time, talent and financial support to create system-wide change."

PAUL GEYER
Donor and Chair of the *Innovators' Challenge* Advisory Committee



Staying ahead in an ever-changing health care landscape

In 2018, we created the *Innovators' Challenge* to provide a new and unique platform in BC for visionary health care inventors to share their revolutionary ideas with philanthropists.

In the coming years, new ideas will be realized that have the power to enable system-wide change to our health care system.

"If we are to be ready for the health issues of tomorrow, we need to invest today," says Paul. "VGH & UBC Hospital Foundation is working tirelessly to ensure this happens."

Early philanthropic investment is a key to creating a culture of innovation across VCH. We are grateful to our curious and future-focused donors who have stepped up to support our innovators, including Val & Dick Bradshaw, Colin Harris and Dr. Donald Ricci. Together, we are enhancing the testing, adoption and implementation of novel solutions for health care's greatest challenges.

2018 *Innovators' Challenge* Projects

DR. KENDALL HO **Emergency Department App**

Dr. Kendall Ho's team is developing an app that enhances patient to health professional communication to dramatically transform the patient experience in the Emergency Department. The app will gather and organize information to provide patients with their diagnosis, treatment and discharge instructions, and facilitate follow ups.

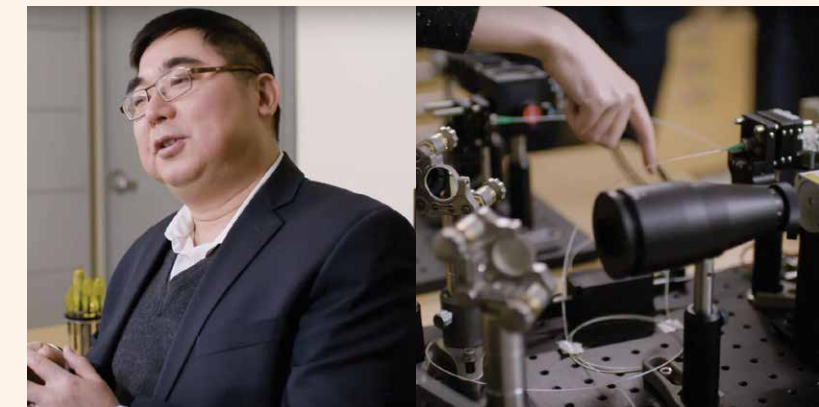


DR. DON ANDERSON **Saving vital skin tissue**

Dr. Don Anderson (right) and his team are creating a new and innovative technique with Near-Infrared Spectroscopy (NIRS) technology to increase precious skin tissue salvage rates for tissue transfer in cancer surgeries.

DR. HAISHAN ZENG **Detecting cancer in the GI tract earlier**

Dr. Haishan Zeng and his team are building a new GI tract endoscope that will produce real-time histology-like and 3D images of tissues with cellular resolution using confocal optics. The new device will have extraordinary patient impact by detecting GI cancers early.



DR. AZIZ GHAHARY **Liquid skin substitute for burns and wounds**

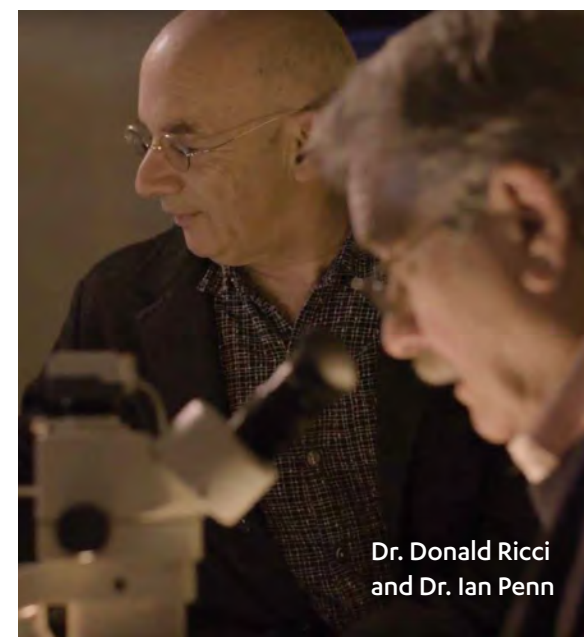
Burn, diabetic and pressure wounds cause debilitating pain and can lead to serious health complications for patients. Dr. Aziz Ghahary (left) and his team are developing an infection-fighting liquid skin substitute made of natural skin proteins.



Lifetime Achievement in Health Innovation Award 2018

Dr. Donald Ricci built his medical career over 35 years in coronary intervention and structural heart disease. He co-founded Evasc, a medical device company with Dr. Ian Penn, served as a Clinical Professor of Medicine at UBC, and was the former director of the cardiovascular medicine program at VGH. He is also a co-inventor for a number of medical devices. Dr. Ricci was the inaugural winner of our *Lifetime Achievement in Health Innovation Award*.

Dr. Donald Ricci



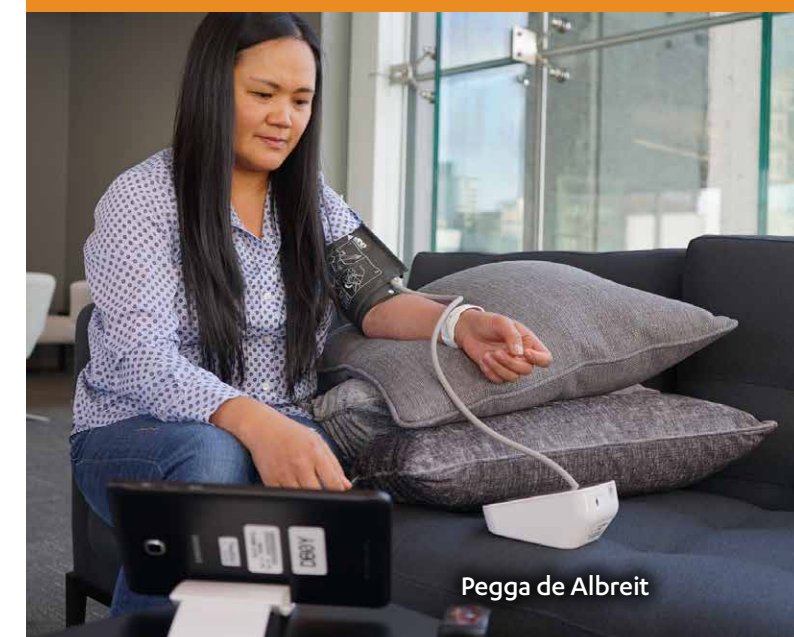
Dr. Donald Ricci and Dr. Ian Penn

Innovations from hospital to home

TEC4Home is an innovative program helping patients to safely transition from hospital to home. Partly funded through philanthropy, and with the help of TELUS Health, TEC4Home installs novel technology in a patient's home that can monitor details of their health such as blood pressure and blood oxygen levels.

"It is really beneficial, because it gets patients into a pattern of checking their own health," says Pegga de Albreit, a member of TEC4Home Patient Advisory Committee. "Every day patients can check their blood pressure, weigh themselves and measure blood oxygen levels. And they don't have to go into the hospital for that."

TEC4Home is reducing the need for Emergency Room visits, unnecessary hospitalizations and improving overall quality of life for patients. Emergency Medicine specialist Dr. Kendall Ho is planning expansions of TEC4Home to help more patients across the province.



Pegga de Albreit



“He would look at money like a pie, and he made sure there was always a piece leftover for people who weren’t eating. That was dad.”

RAVI SIDHOO & ASHA FRASER
Jab Sidhoo’s children

Asha Fraser with her brother Ravi Sidhoo

LEGACY

Leaving a legacy, making a lasting impact

Jab Sidhoo was just six years old when he arrived in BC from British-ruled India in 1929.

From an early age Jab witnessed the fight for equal rights. Whether it was his father’s struggle for fair and equitable treatment, or watching family friends — a pair of sisters, Sarjit and Jagdis Siddoo — become the first Canadian-born doctors of Indian descent. These progressive moments would play an important role in shaping the charitable man Jab would become.

A lion of his community

Jab loved Vancouver: the city and the people. Jab was one of the 100 founding members of the BC Lions, providing funding to help push the team to their elite status today.

“He never missed a game,” says Asha, Jab’s daughter. “People would phone my mom and ask for invitations to come over and she would say, *I have to check if there’s a game on that day.*”

Jab was also a loyal supporter of health care. In 1998, he became a donor to VGH & UBC Hospital Foundation. He also established the Ajaib (Jab) and Nirmal (Munni) Sidhoo Charities Endowment Fund, which provides funding to young researchers at Vancouver Coastal Health Research Institute (VCHRI) to study urology and diabetes. And when he passed away, Jab left a generous gift of securities to our Foundation in his will.

“He would look at money like a pie, and he made sure there was always a piece leftover for people who weren’t eating,” says Ravi. “That was dad.”

A legacy for future generations

Whether it is a bequest in a will, a gift of life insurance, a donation of shares or a designation of an RRSP, planned giving is supporting the health of future generations. The generosity of thoughtful future gifts is providing the means for us to go beyond the limits of public funding to ensure our health care system is world class and sustainable.

Our heartfelt gratitude to all of our planned giving donors including the Sidhoo family.

Together, we are transforming health care

Every year thousands of donors support our Foundation. We remain grateful and humbled by the continued generosity of our community. Philanthropy supports the purchase of advanced equipment, attracts the best minds to provide expert care and conduct leading-edge research, and enables innovations to transform adult health care in BC.

Dozens of independent fundraisers put their time and resources into raising funds in their communities. From local pub nights in Quesnel to golf tournaments hosted by corporate partners like Coast Capital Savings, each hour spent and each dollar raised helps transform health care in BC.

We are proud to share just a few stories of our inspirational supporters from the last year.



The late Chad Warren

A million dollar dream

In 2008, cancer patient Chad Warren pledged to raise \$1 million for the Hematology Research Program at VGH to support advances in blood disease research and treatments.

Sadly, Chad wouldn't live to see his dream fulfilled. When he passed in 2009, Chad's family continued his fundraising pledge in his honour.

Ten years later, in the fall of 2018, Chad's father Clark stood in disbelief inside the tennis club Chad called home. After a decade, their family had finally fulfilled their promise — the Chad Warren Charity Challenge had officially raised \$1,070,000.

“Family and close friends of Chad’s were all there. There was cheering and clapping and we had confetti flying. If Chad could have been there, I know he would say, *This is totally awesome!*” says Clark Warren, Chad’s father.



Members of the D2D Destiny Foundation and the VGH Youth Leadership Team volunteered a total of 1,989 hours in 2018!



The Foundation in partnership with the Canadian Friends of Hebrew University raised \$3,046,350 in honour of Dr. Saul Isserow. Proceeds are supporting the Sports Cardiology BC clinic at UBC Hospital as well as a scholarship at the Hebrew University.



Now in its 17th year, the Coast Capital Savings Charity Golf Tournament raised a record-breaking \$300,000, bringing the total raised by this annual event to over \$2.8 million to support mental health initiatives.



The Sing Tao Daily 35th Anniversary Celebration Charity Gala raised over \$176,000 to help transform health care for all British Columbians and support our hospitals' Geriatric Health Program.



The Miss Chinese Vancouver Pageant 2018 generously named the Foundation as the beneficiary this year, helping raise \$568,880 for a new surgical navigation system and a new waiting space at the Eye Care Centre.

Small gifts, big impact

It starts with the community. A gift, no matter the size, can lead to big impact.

At VGH & UBC Hospital Foundation we make each gift truly count. If 100 people donate \$1,000 each, this provides \$100,000 of funding that we put towards life-saving equipment and research.

In 2018/19, with \$100,000 we purchased items like a portable anaesthesia gas machine, plus vital monitoring equipment.

Last year, your donations to our *Most Urgent Needs* fund totalled over \$6.7 million. This supports multiple areas, including critical equipment and research projects. These funds directly impact health care, providing patients with the best opportunity to go home as they should — healthy and happy.



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This supports:

critical equipment + research projects + much more

Angels in the Community

Donors to our *Angel* campaign supported the *Most Urgent Needs* fund for our hospitals. Donations support purchasing critical equipment, funding high-impact research projects and advancing patient care.



Dr. Thalia Field



2,995 donors raised over

\$680,000

during the holiday season

Four signature events raise record revenue

256
volunteers

1,421
guests

\$10.2 million
Over raised



The TTS gala committee, Barbara Grantham and Christina Anthony stand with some of our generous *Future of Surgery* donors.



The Gaglardi family accepting the 2018 Leadership Award.



Barbara Grantham, President & CEO



TELUS Night of a Thousand Stars gala presented by Capital Direct

Over 700 of BC's philanthropic and health care leaders gathered for the TELUS *Night of a Thousand Stars* gala presented by Capital Direct at Parq Vancouver on November 10, 2018. Over \$4 million was raised in support of a vital new piece of equipment — a 3T MRI machine — as well as other priority programs of Vancouver Coastal Health.

Viva Pharmaceutical Time to Shine gala

The 2019 Viva Pharmaceutical *Time to Shine* gala raised an incredible \$5.363 million in February. Funds will support the *Future of Surgery* campaign and our *Most Urgent Needs* fund, enhancing surgical care for all British Columbians.



Innovators' Challenge presented by Medtronic

In 2018, the Foundation launched the *Innovators' Challenge* to provide a new and unique platform in BC for visionary health care inventors to share their revolutionary ideas with philanthropists. This one-of-a-kind event is supporting the greatest push for health care innovation in BC.



Harry Rosen Tournament for Life

On June 11, 2018, the Foundation hosted the 22nd annual Harry Rosen *Tournament for Life* at the Point Grey Golf & Country Club. A day of fun, prizes and inspiration raised more than \$645,000 towards advancing prostate cancer research, treatment and care.



Philanthropists Sheila & Peter Bentley

Photo by Don Erhardt

40 years of health care transformation

VGH & UBC Hospital Foundation was established in 1980 to raise funds for Vancouver General Hospital. Almost 40 years later, our growth, expertise and connections make us *the* philanthropic engine for health innovation and transformation in British Columbia. Today, we support the most specialized adult care, groundbreaking research and system transformation across Vancouver Coastal Health — BC’s largest health authority serving 1.5 million people. No one knows the impact of the Foundation’s 40-year trajectory better than Peter Bentley — our founding Board Chair, and now our Chair Emeritus.

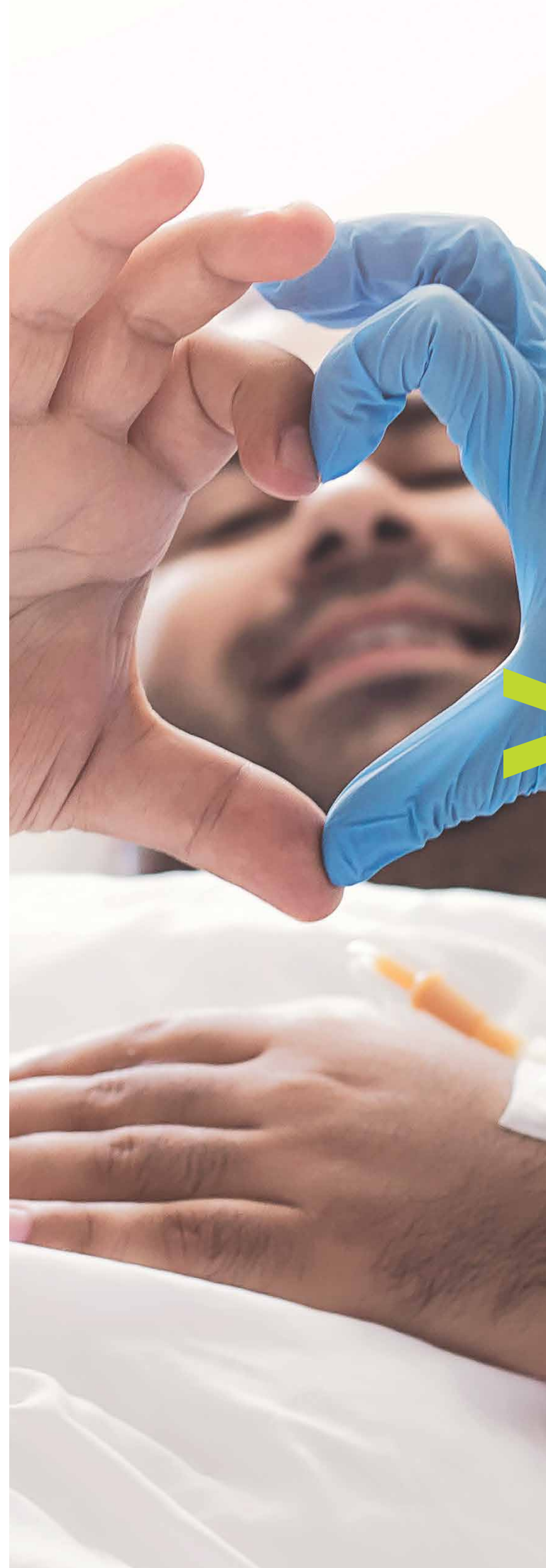
Peter, his wife Sheila and the Bentley family are lifelong visionary supporters and advocates for

health care in BC. The impact of their generosity is felt across our hospitals and health centres, including in healing spaces for mental health patients, and through provision of support to patients living with neuromuscular diseases.

Thanks to the Bentley family and you — our supporters — we are approaching \$1 billion raised for health care since our inception in 1980. We applaud Peter for his pioneering leadership of our Foundation, which has driven transformations in health care and profoundly impacted the wellbeing of our province. Peter, you truly exemplify what it means to be a philanthropist, and we are proud to call you our lifelong friend.



Peter Bentley and family were honoured with the naming of the Peter Bentley and Family Square located at VGH.



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Your vision and generous support have made a tremendous impact on improving specialized health care and research for all British Columbians

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We are proud to report that in 2018-19 the Foundation's cost per dollar was 16 cents (excluding lottery revenue and related expenses), which is significantly lower than the industry average of 24 cents*.

Thanks to our donors, our 2018-19 consolidated revenue, including lotteries and investments, totalled \$94.6 million. Together, with our donors and supporters, we have made a direct and significant impact on health care in our province.

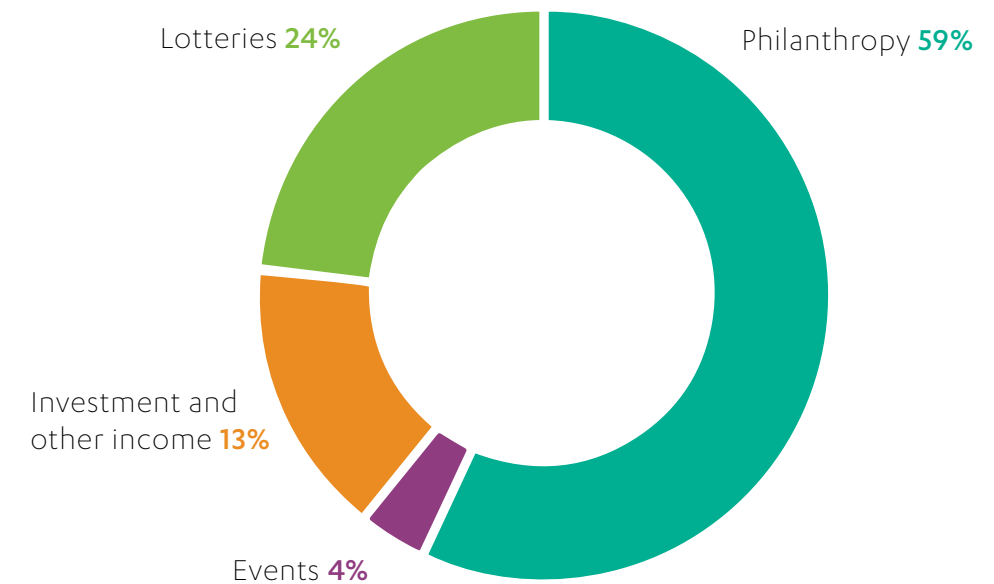
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Revenue	2019	2018
Philanthropic	55,719,797	53,723,426
Events	3,796,517	3,750,065
Investment & other income	12,707,685	15,154,791
	72,223,999	72,628,282
Lotteries	22,335,330	22,294,111
	94,559,329	94,922,393
Expenses		
Foundation operations	9,005,629	8,229,179
Community awareness and public engagement	1,112,032	922,302
	10,117,661	9,151,481
Lotteries (including prizes)	16,931,433	16,579,747
Other fundraising	1,557,553	1,303,202
	28,606,647	27,034,430
Excess of revenue over expenses before grants	65,952,682	67,887,963
Transfer to qualified donees	16,667	63,378
Funds granted for:		
Equipment and capital projects	17,762,021	20,311,403
Education, research, patient care and other	22,665,800	22,546,226
	40,444,488	42,921,007
Excess of revenue over expenses and grants**	25,508,194	24,966,956
Fund Balances, beginning of year	290,457,401	267,241,427
Change in fair value of investments	5,131,747	(1,750,982)
Fund balances, end of year	\$321,097,342	\$290,457,401

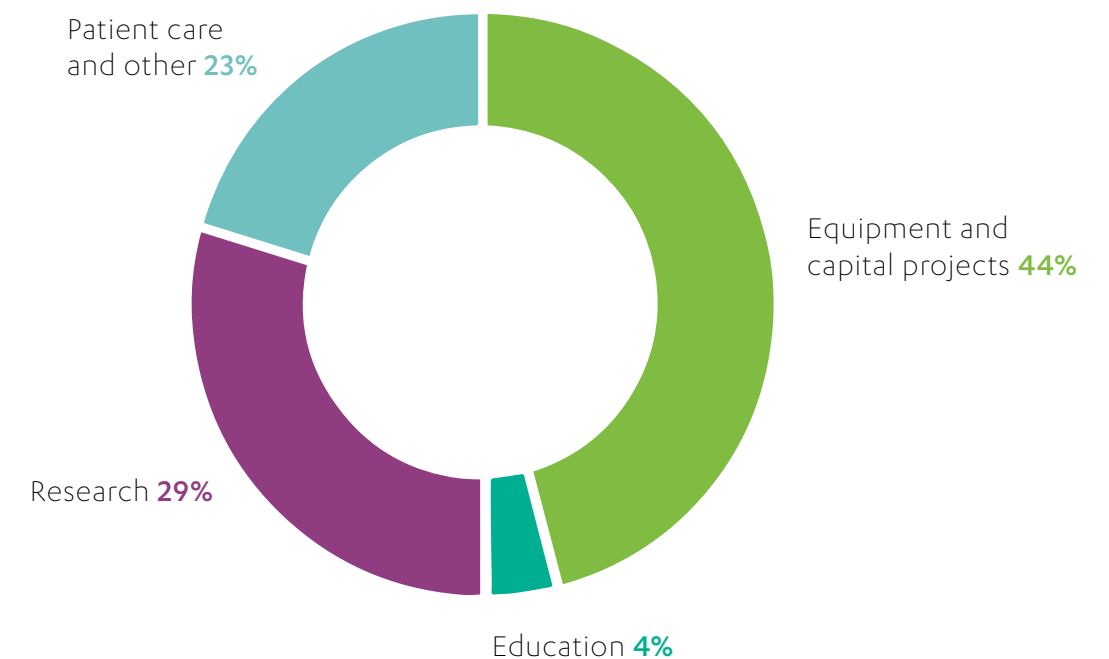
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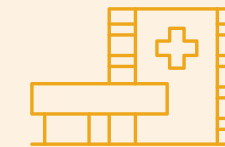
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