

\$500,000 Matching Gift Ignites MRI Upgrade Campaign



– Dr. Jeremy White

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Help bring advanced MRI imaging
to Burnaby Hospital — because
faster diagnoses and clearer
answers save lives.



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A Message from our President & CEO

Burnaby Hospital & Community Foundation has committed to raising funds to upgrade our MRI suite, bringing new, advanced technology to a machine that has served this community faithfully for years but is long overdue for renewal.

We are especially grateful to the Li Family Foundation, whose extraordinary \$500,000 matching gift has propelled this campaign forward from day one. Their generosity reflects a deep belief that our hospital's future is worth investing in together. Their leadership doesn't just fund equipment; it inspires an entire community to step forward.

On behalf of the Foundation and Burnaby Hospital, thank you to the Li Family Foundation, and to every donor who joins us in meeting this challenge.

Together, we are building a healthier future for our community.



Kristy James, CFRE
President & CEO,
Burnaby Hospital & Community Foundation



A \$500,000 Challenge

When the Li Family immigrated to Canada from Hong Kong nearly 40 years ago, they found a home in Burnaby — and have spent the decades since giving back to the community. Now, through the Li Family Foundation, **they've made a \$500,000 matching gift to help upgrade Burnaby Hospital's MRI suite.**

Their gift is a challenge: an invitation for individuals, families, businesses, and community organizations to join them in strengthening local healthcare. **Every dollar donated, up to \$500,000, will be matched** — doubling the impact of every gift and bringing us closer to a modern MRI suite our community can rely on for years to come.

The Li Family has spent 40 years showing what it means to belong to our community. Now they're asking others to help write the next chapter.



Join the Li Family Foundation in strengthening healthcare for our community. Donate online today at bhfoundation.ca/direct_mail/ or scan the QR code.

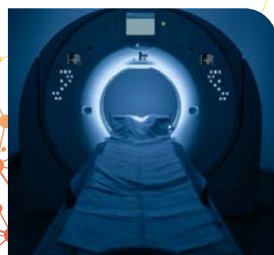
Why This Upgrade Matters

Our hospital's current MRI is among the oldest in the region, yet last year it completed more scans than any other single MRI in the region. It is a machine stretched to its limits, serving a community that is growing rapidly — and one that increasingly needs the kind of imaging precision only newer technology can offer.

Burnaby Hospital is upgrading its MRI suite, bringing a new 1.5 Tesla scanner to the community. This upgrade will deliver clearer, higher-resolution images and faster scan times, sharpening the accuracy of diagnoses and expanding the range of conditions our medical teams can detect and treat — from cardiac and neurological imaging to complex musculoskeletal and abdominal cases.

Faster scans mean less time spent in the MRI, a meaningful difference for patients who are anxious, in pain, or managing mobility challenges.

The new system will be rebuilt around the existing magnet, modernizing every other component of the scanner while avoiding the cost, construction time, and environmental impact of a full replacement.



What This Upgrade Will Deliver

FASTER ACCESS

- Brain scans in approx. 8 minutes
- Cardiac scans in under 30 minutes

Shorter scan times mean more patients can be seen and wait times are reduced

BETTER IMAGING

- Higher-quality images reveal more detail than ever before, improving diagnostic accuracy
- AI powered by deep learning ensures precise, consistent images with every scan

IMPROVED PATIENT COMFORT

- Wider opening for a less confined experience
- More flexible positioning options
- Feet first scanning

These features reduce anxiety and offer a more comfortable patient experience

EXPANDED CAPABILITY

- Full-body imaging in a single session without repositioning
- Larger imaging range to meet growing demand

Giving Back Through Gratitude



MRI Clerk Michela receiving her "Cheers to You" award with hospital volunteer and donor Maria.

After receiving an MRI at Burnaby Hospital, volunteer and donor Maria was inspired to support the Foundation's efforts to enhance MRI technology. Through the Foundation's "Cheers to You" grateful patient program, she made a \$1,000 gift in honour of MRI scheduling clerk Michela, whose compassion helped make her experience less stressful.

"Michela was one of the first people I spoke with before my MRI," says Maria. "She made me feel comfortable from the very beginning. She's always kind, reassuring and has a smile on her face. You can tell she genuinely cares about every patient she speaks with."

For Maria, making a gift was a meaningful way to express her gratitude while helping ensure future patients have access to advanced MRI technology close to home. Her generosity reflects the spirit of the "Cheers to You" program, recognizing exceptional care while investing in the future of Burnaby Hospital.

"Michela made me feel comfortable from the very beginning. Her kindness is something I'll never forget."

Inspired by Maria's Story?

If a staff or medical staff member at Burnaby Hospital made a difference in your care, you can honour them through our "Cheers to You" grateful patient program. Your tribute celebrates compassionate caregivers while helping advance exceptional care for future patients.



**Scan the QR code
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