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#WEareready - And Closer To A New Hospital

The goal of a new state-of-the-art acute care hospital and our vision for a regional health care system to serve generations to come has cleared a major hurdle and put us a big step closer to making the plan a reality!

A property owner that has sought an injunction against the site selected for the new hospital dropped the injunction in court on January 28. This was an extremely important development as it prevents a challenge or doubt to the site selected on Hwy 42. Under the provincial government's process, a site must be selected before a new hospital project can move to "Stage 2" of capital investment planning – therefore, with the site no longer in doubt, this criteria has been met.

"This means that the threat of the second place property – the GEM property – being determined to be the successful property is not going to happen. That is not a result of the legal proceedings – that's gone," David Musyj told reporters, noting that while a lawsuit against the hospital over its site selection process continues, WRH legal advisors continue to remain confident in contesting that litigation.

So what happens next?

There's been a sharp increase in community support since the lawsuit was first announced. We ask our community to continue expressing its support – in particular through social media using the #WEareready hashtag – to let Queen's Park know that our region wants and deserves new, state-of-the-art hospital facilities.

"We really have one shot at this and that shot is before us right now," Musyj said, noting several other Ontario communities are competing with Windsor-Essex for new hospital funds. "The Minister of Health needs to continue to hear we have a unified voice in Windsor-Essex. Now is not the time to rest on our laurels. We've got to keep pushing this forward."

How can you help?

Contact your local councillor and your local MPP. They have been almost unanimous in support of our project but they need to hear from you, to say thanks and to support them in continuing to advocate for these investments in our region!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FEB 06 **In Honour Of The Ones We Love Gala**
Time: 6:00pm
Ciociaro Club of Windsor
3475 North Talbot Road

FEB 09 **Blood Pressure Screening Clinic**
Time: 12:00pm - 3:00pm
Ouellette Campus, Vendor Hallway

MAR 02 **Hats On For Healthcare**
Locations throughout Windsor-Essex
www.hatsonforhealthcare.com

APR 12 **Blood Pressure Screening Clinic**
Time: 12:00pm - 3:00pm
Met Campus, Vendor Hallway

MAY 10 **Blood Pressure Screening Clinic**
Time: 12:00pm - 3:00pm
Ouellette Campus, Vendor Hallway

JUN 09 **WRH Annual Golf Tournament**
Essex Golf & Country Club
7555 Matchette Road, LaSalle

What A Fun Day It Was!

The 4th Monday of January each year is recognized as the most depressing day of the year. Why? The concept was first published years ago, claiming there is a calculated formula on selecting the date, using a scientific equation that includes, lack of sunlight, Christmas being a distant memory, time since failing ones' New Years resolutions and, the number of days till spring. It leads to the longest day of the year!

Windsor Regional Hospital has been celebrating the day in various formats to help lift the spirits of staff with a 'treat' and this year, it was a float! Staff had a choice between a root beer or orange float and both were very successful. Up to 965 floats were served at the Met and Ouellette Campus over two shifts.

We thank our friends at Rafih Auto Group for sponsoring this day and the floats!



PHOTO (l to r) Zeyad Rafih, Fred Francis, Hamoody Rafih and Gus Marie with the Rafih Auto Group.

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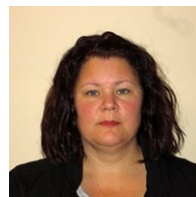
Most of the hospital Green Shield plans pay for compression stockings and there are a lot of newer styles to choose from including athletic and running, casual, dress socks, etc.

Visit the We Care Pharmacy at the Ouellette Campus for more information.
(Reminder free parking in the garage for staff visiting from the Met Campus)

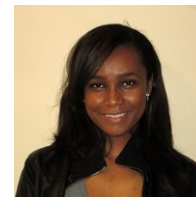
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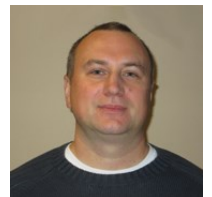
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SLIPS, TRIPS AND FALL HAZARDS



According to the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS) over 42,000 workers get injured annually due to fall accidents. Statistics show that the majority (66%) of falls happen on the same level resulting from slips and trips. The remaining 34% are falls from a height.

Both slips and trips result from some kind of unintended or unexpected change in the contact between the feet and the ground or walking surface. This shows that good housekeeping, quality of walking surfaces (flooring), selection of proper footwear, and appropriate pace of walking are critical for preventing fall accidents.

Good housekeeping is the first and the most important (fundamental) level of preventing falls due to slips and trips. It includes:

- cleaning all spills immediately
- marking spills and wet areas
- mopping or sweeping debris from floors
- removing obstacles from walkways and always keeping them free of clutter
- securing (tacking, taping, etc.) mats, rugs and carpets that do not lay flat
- always closing file cabinet or storage drawers
- covering cables that cross walkways
- keeping working areas and walkways well lit
- replacing used light bulbs and faulty switches

PREVENT SLIPS BY

- Taking your time and paying attention to where you are going.
- Adjusting your stride to a pace that is suitable for the walking surface and the tasks you are doing.
- Walking with the feet pointed slightly outward.
- Making wide turns at corners.

PREVENT FALLS BY

- Keeping walking areas clear from clutter or obstructions.
- Keeping flooring in good condition.
- Always using installed light sources that provide sufficient light for your tasks.
- Using a flashlight if you enter a dark room where there is no light.
- Ensuring that things you are carrying or pushing do not prevent you from seeing any obstructions, spills, etc.

If you are aware of slip, trip or fall hazards, notify your manager immediately, and correct the problem if you are able. Working together and exercising the internal responsibility system will help reduce workplace hazards and strengthen our overall safety culture.

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#WEareready...A Hashtag With Clout!

Support continues to build for the future new Windsor-Essex Hospital System to serve the region. Local leaders gathered to rally together in support of the Province knowing that Windsor-Essex is united and ready to move to the next stage of the process.

The Mayor of the City of Windsor, Drew Dilkens and the Warden of the County of Essex, along with Taras Natyshak MPP, Essex; Percy Hatfield, MPP, Windsor-Tecumseh and Lisa Gretzky, MPP, Windsor West pledged their commitment to work with the government to push the agenda for approval of Stage 1B.



PHOTO ABOVE (l to r): Warden Tom Bain, MPP, Percy Hatfield, Mayor Drew Dilkens and MPP, Taras Natyshak solidify their united support in front of the #WEareready banner.

Stage 1B is currently with the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care. The plan, announced last July, will see the construction of a new, 1.6 million square foot state-of-the-art acute care hospital; an 80,000 square foot Urgent Care Centre built on the former Grace Hospital site property, redevelopment at the Hôtel-Dieu Grace Healthcare (Tayfour Campus) and the repatriate on the former HDGH downtown sit for transitional mental health, chronic disease management and a community hub with partner organizations.

“Our community of Windsor and Essex County is being presented with an historic opportunity to transform and modernize our health care system,” stated MPP, Taras Natyshak. “An estimated \$2 billion investment would not only bring a decade’s old system into the modern era, this is a once-in-a-lifetime change to re-orient to a forward looking model of health care delivery.”

The City of Windsor and the County of Essex have both made a commitment to a new vision for hospital care in our region,” said Windsor Mayor, Drew Dilkens. “We truly appreciate standing next to our Provincial representatives in unity to move this important project forward.”

“The future of our health care in this region is just too important to be playing politics about our need for a modern hospital,” said MPP Percy Hatfield. “We need and are standing united and speaking with one voice!”

“In December, our County Council, representing seven municipalities, voted unanimously in favour of a commitment on behalf of the residents of the County of Essex towards a local contribution to this vitally important infrastructure project for our region,” stated Warden, Tom Bain. “We recognize the importance of this significant capital investment in modernizing our health care for future generations.”

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A Hashtag With Clout cont'd...

"People living in Windsor-Essex will have access to the high quality, modern medical facilities that this investment will deliver," said MPP, Lisa Gretzky. "Fully resourced and staffed healthcare institutions are essential to the success and viability of our region."



PHOTO ABOVE (l to r): Warden Tom Bain, Mayor Drew Dilken, MPP Percy Hatfield and MPP Taras Natyshak solidify their united support in front of the #WEareready banner.

United in leadership, each signing a letter addressed to the Hon. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long Term, pledging their united commitment and that Windsor Essex is ready to move forward.

"From the start of this planning some four years ago, we stated, the only way we will be able to move this project through to completion is with a united regional leadership," stated David Musyj, President and CEO of WRH. "We will remember January 25th when these individuals, Taras, Percy, Lisa, Drew and Tom pledged their unified commitment to move this project forward to approval. We thank them now and will continue to thank them for generations to come!"

"Hôtel-Dieu Grace Healthcare has been a key partner in the planning process that has seen the initial discussion about a new acute care hospital evolve into a plan for a comprehensive, thoughtful and well integrated health system," said Janice Kaffer, President and CEO of Hôtel-Dieu Grace Healthcare. "I am proud to stand alongside other community leaders who are committed to this future and believe that together, we will succeed." #WEareready!

How would you get help at a moment like this?



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The 7th Annual "Hats On For Healthcare Day" is a fundraising initiative supporting Windsor Regional Hospital where individuals, organizations and companies can either participate by fundraising or sponsoring the event.

Participating individuals and organizations, together with their employees, members and clients are invited to put on their unique and creative head attire, make a \$2.00 donation for stickers or \$5.00 for buttons and take part in many entertaining activities to help raise funds for the Mental Health Program at Windsor Regional Hospital.

Participating in the 2016 "Hats On" For Healthcare is a great way for your department or unit to support Windsor Regional Hospital and show the community that our employees care about healthcare in the community.

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