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Over \$4.1M granted to fund equipment at the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre

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Thunder Bay, ON – The Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Foundation is excited to announce that over \$4.1 million has been approved to fund equipment for the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre. This funding was made possible by donors to the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Foundation and proceeds from the Thunder Bay 50/50 draw.

“Different departments of the hospital applied for these grants to fund equipment that will really help Hospital staff provide the best possible care to patients. The success of the 50/50 draw allowed us to fund more grants than ever before. We are going to be able to purchase some vital equipment and make facility improvements that will really benefit both patients and staff,” says Glenn Craig, President and CEO of the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Foundation.

In total, 28 grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$1,000,000 were approved to be funded by the Foundation. They will benefit all areas of the Hospital. Some of the grants include:

- \$100,000 to fund Automated Medication Dispensing units for all inpatient units at the Hospital
- \$250,000 to fund Microbiology Plate Streakers which will help diagnose a range of diseases
- \$120,000 for capital equipment for infant care in the Labour & Delivery department
- \$21,000 for a high-definition video camera head for the OR – Urology Department

The grants will not only benefit the local Hospital, but also hospitals in the region. Grants have been approved for equipment replacement and upgrades in Kenora, Dryden, Fort Frances, Terrace Bay and Marathon.

“This funding was made possible by the generosity of our donors, and the supporters of our 50/50 draw,” says Parker Jones, Chair, Board of Directors, Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Foundation. “The continued support has been incredible, and we cannot thank the community enough. We are so excited to be able to use these dollars to improve care not only locally, but in the regional communities as well.”

“These equipment and facility upgrades are going to benefit not only our patients, but also our health care workers, who we have relied on so heavily during the past 18 months. These grants will allow us to give them the tools necessary not only to provide exceptional care to our patients but also to improve their own experience,” Says Rhonda Crocker Ellacott, President & Chief Executive Officer of the Thunder Bay Regional Health Science Centre and Chief Executive Officer of the Thunder Bay Regional Health Research Institute.



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For a complete list of approved grants, visit
<https://www.healthsciencesfoundation.ca/equipment-funded> or see the attached PDF.

VIDEO: The Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Foundation has announced \$4.1M in grants to benefit healthcare in Northwestern Ontario. Grants will help purchase equipment and make facility improvements at the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre and regional hospitals.

Access the video here:

- **Download link:**
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ziNAZRgToF2OLOD7WKEF3AUgJdJ41YiL/view?usp=sharing>
- **YouTube link:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QEfc-69Vx4E>

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