

Walkerton & District Hospital Foundation

X-Ray Suite Replacement Committee

November 5, 2025

To: The Councillors of the Municipality of Brockton

Dear Members of Council,

On behalf of the Walkerton & District Hospital Foundation's X-Ray Suite Replacement Committee, we would like to provide clarification regarding our current fundraising project and emphasize the vital importance of this initiative to our community.

As you are aware, the Ministry of Health does not provide funding for medical equipment—this is not a recent development or result of provincial downloading. For decades, the Ministry's funding model has covered only the “bricks and mortar” of hospital infrastructure, while all vital diagnostic and clinical equipment—such as X-ray, CT, and mammography machines—must be purchased through community fundraising efforts. This longstanding reality means that maintaining and modernizing essential hospital services has always depended on the generosity of local residents, businesses, and municipalities.

In 2024–2025 alone, 8,766 X-rays were performed at our hospital. This diagnostic capability is critical to maintaining local health care services, particularly to ensure that our Emergency Department can remain open and functional. Without reliable and up-to-date imaging equipment, timely care and accurate diagnosis for patients would be significantly compromised.

The Municipality of Brockton has a strong history of supporting local health care. Past contributions include:

- \$200,000 toward the CT scanner (2018–2020)
- \$50,000 toward mammography (2021–2023)
- \$20,000 in February 2025 and \$20,000 in April 2025 for mammography

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This ongoing support has directly benefited countless residents. Municipal donations also allow all citizens—especially those unable to make personal contributions—to take part in strengthening and sustaining local health care through their tax dollars.

We sincerely thank Council for its continued commitment to the health and well-being of Brockton residents. Your partnership is essential to ensuring that high-quality care remains accessible close to home.

Respectfully,

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Co-Chairs, X-Ray Suite Replacement Committee

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