

# Gratitude Report

Summer 2024



Total Raised:  
**\$531,279**



Augmentative Communication Program Team

## Eye-Gaze Technology

Imagine for a moment, your loved one not being able to use their voice to communicate their thoughts, feelings, and needs to you. Perhaps they lost their ability to speak, or they were never able to fully develop this ability at all. This is a reality for so many clients at George Jeffrey Children's Centre. Not only does our Augmentative Communications Program (ACP) work with young clients from birth; they also serve clients through to the end of life, helping to give them a voice.

Using cutting-edge technologies – such as 2 recently funded specialized speech-generating iPads and state-of-the-art eye-gaze cameras – the ACP team creates a lifeline for both children and adults who require assistance to communicate. They literally give these clients a voice!

Thanks to our generous donors, we raised more than \$60,000 to help fund this life-changing equipment for our Centre!

**“Many thanks to our 734  
generous donors who  
donated 1,137 gifts this year!”**



\$10,000 donation from the Tee Off for Tom Invitational Golf Tournament.



Impala Canada donated \$5,000 as a Holiday Campaign Matching Partner.



**Tim Horton's Smile Cookie Campaign**  
**\$58,930 Raised!**



**Fort William Rotary Club House Lottery**  
**\$80,000 Donated!**



**Best Western Plus Dryden Hotel & Conference Centre's Hometown Heroes Charity Golf Classic**  
**\$92,000+ Raised!**



**Hill City Kinsmen Sportsman Dream Draw**  
**\$17,000 Donated!**



**Stella WaxBar Red Carpet Charity Gala**  
**\$11,032 Raised!**

**“Thanks to our many other community partners who support our Foundation!”**

**Total Gifted to Centre**  
**\$351,800**

## Donations at Work!

<b>Industrial Sewing Machine</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>
<b>Crocodile Walker</b>	<b>\$3,300</b>
<b>Kicksleds with Soft Touch Sitters &amp; Head Supports</b>	<b>\$5,200</b>
<b>Plinth Bed for ADL Suite</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>
<b>Transportation Program</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>
<b>Eye Gaze Technology</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>
<b>Storage Building</b>	<b>\$110,000</b>



## Message From The President

### Michael Duncan

I would like to extend my thanks to Cindy Levanto our Executive Director, her team of fundraisers, the Board of Directors, the staff of George Jeffrey Children's Centre, and our many donors and volunteers who have made the 2023-2024 year a huge success!

It is the duty of our Foundation to ensure George Jeffrey Children's Centre has the resources they need for their programs and services to thrive, and serve as many children and youth in our community as possible. This year saw a record-breaking \$351,800 donated back to our Centre – all thanks to our generous donors, and the hard work of our Foundation team!

I would like to extend a big thank you to our donors who make our mission possible. Without your generous support, we would not be able to help our Centre as we do. We hope you continue to make George Jeffrey Children's Foundation your charity of choice, and to continue to ensure our kids reach their greatest potential!



## Thank you from the Board of Directors

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## Our Staff

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## Monthly Donor Story Tim & Michelle Walters



Tim & Michelle Walters

Tim and Michelle Walters are loyal donors to George Jeffrey Children's Foundation. They joined the Children's Champion monthly giving program in 2021 in memory of their granddaughter Hannah, as they wanted to be able to give back to kids in our community. Being a monthly donor with our Foundation enables them to do this in a meaningful way. Thank you Tim and Michelle for always being there for our kids!



Thank you  
 to our  
 Volunteers!

Volunteers are some of our most generous donors. Not only have they made gifts to our organization, they have also given us the gift of their time. Selling raffle tickets, working at events, and helping out in the office are just some of the ways in which our volunteers have given back to George Jeffrey Children's Foundation. We couldn't be more grateful for this support. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for this incredible gift!

 To Make a donation please cut out the section below and mail it using the supplied self-address, stamped envelope. 

## Make a donation today!

Charitable Registration Number: 85469 6770 RR0001

*"YOU are helping our children and youth reach their greatest potential!"*



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I wish to contribute:

\$25     \$50     \$100     \$200     \$500     I would like to become a monthly donor. I would like to donate: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month  
 I have enclosed a cheque payable to George Jeffrey Children's Foundation    and/or  
 I wish to charge my credit card  
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