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## **Milton Community Fund Supports Milton District Hospital's Surgical Program**

**(Milton ON) Wednesday, March 31, 2021-** Another generous grant from the Milton Community Fund is helping to enhance the urology program at Milton District Hospital (MDH) by providing urologists with additional equipment to diagnose, treat and perform lifesaving surgeries.

The hospital applied to the Milton Community Fund last year for a grant to purchase a second nephrectomy set and a flexible ureteroscope and received \$29,906, which allowed for the purchase of both these items.

A flexible ureteroscope is an instrument used to diagnose and treat a variety of problems in the urinary tract, while a nephrectomy set consists of the tools urologists need to perform lifesaving surgery for people affected by kidney cancer.

"Timely diagnosis and treatment of urological conditions is key to ensuring the best outcome possible for our patients," explained Dr. Kwan. "Most people with kidney cancer require a nephrectomy, which is surgery to remove part of or the entire effected kidney. Having two nephrectomy sets will increase our ability to conduct more of these procedures as we can complete another procedure in the time it takes to reprocess (or sterilize) this equipment."

"We are always grateful for the funding provided by the Milton Community Fund. Over the years, this fund has helped us purchase numerous pieces of medical equipment, which has supported our hospital in meeting the growing needs of the Milton community," notes Janet Skupsky, Chief Operating Officer at Milton District Hospital. "This year's wonderful donation means Milton residents will have increased access to urological procedures, close to home."

The Milton Community Fund was established in 2001 to distribute a portion of the funds that the Town received from the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (Mohawk location).