



## **Ontario Investing in Critical Hospital Upgrades and Repairs in Uxbridge**

*Maintaining hospital infrastructure to ensure a safe environment for patients*

UXBRIDGE – Ontario is investing in the health and safety of patients as it addresses urgent upgrades, repairs and maintenance to help modernize 131 hospitals across the province.

Today, Peter Bethlenfalvy, MPP for Pickering-Uxbridge, was joined by Dave Barton, Mayor of Uxbridge, at the Uxbridge Cottage Hospital to announce that the hospital will receive nearly \$1,209,619 to maintain their infrastructure and ensure a safe and comfortable environment for patients to receive care. This is part of the government's investment of \$175 million this year through the Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund to support hospitals across Ontario.

"These investments will help ensure that patients in Uxbridge can receive the care they need in a safe and comfortable setting," said Peter Bethlenfalvy, MPP for Pickering-Uxbridge. "Maintaining hospital infrastructure is one more example of how we are working towards ensuring that Ontarians have the health care services they can depend on while building the capacity we need to end hallway health care."

"We are grateful for the support of the provincial government through this funding program to address our urgent electrical infrastructure needs at the Uxbridge site," said Jo-anne Marr, President and CEO of Markham Stouffville Hospital. "While we move forward with planning for the future site, maintaining the current hospital is critical for our staff and physicians to continue to deliver safe high quality care for our patients and their families."

As the government continues to work toward bringing Ontario's world-class health care system into the 21st century, this funding will help hospitals to address urgent issues. Ontario has a plan to build a connected and sustainable public health care system centered around the needs of patients, including investing \$27 billion over 10 years in hospital infrastructure projects

"In order for our health care professionals to continue to provide extraordinary care, we need to ensure the mechanical systems are reliable and working efficiently," said Dave Barton, Mayor of Uxbridge. "We take these things for

granted, but back-up generators and emergency systems are absolutely critical. This investment in our hospital by the Province is very much appreciated. Thank-you MPP Bethlenfalvy for your continued support of the Uxbridge Cottage Hospital and our residents.”

### **QUICK FACTS**

- Ontario is investing \$175 million in repairs and upgrades to 131 hospitals this year through the Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund.
- In addition, Ontario is investing \$7.2 million to address ongoing urgent and/or emergent infrastructure renewal needs for community health service providers who met specific criteria on a priority basis, through the Community Infrastructure Renewal Fund.

### **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

- [Ontario Taking Next Steps to Integrate Health Care System](#)
- [Improving Health Care in Ontario](#)
- [Ontario's Government for the People to Break Down Barriers to Better Patient Care](#)
- [Building a Connected Public Health Care System for the Patient](#)

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