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Hamilton Receiving Increased Funding for Community Health Organizations

Investment Will Help Health Service Agencies in Hamilton

NEWS

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Ontario is providing \$4.1 million in 2016–17 to community health service providers across the province to keep these agencies in a state of good repair so patients can continue to receive high-quality care in a safe and healthy environment.

In Hamilton, three facilities will receive more than \$93,000 this year through the Community Infrastructure Renewal Fund (CIRF). These investments include:

- Canadian Mental Health Association, Hamilton Branch – HVAC and elevator repairs (\$48,465)
- Hamilton Urban Core Community Health Centre – Mould Remediation (\$8,000)
- Wayside House of Hamilton – Boiler and Condensing Unit (\$20,340)
- Wayside House of Hamilton – HVAC Replacement (\$10,170)
- Wayside House of Hamilton – Sentronic Door Closers for Fire Code (\$6,045)

Across Ontario, 59 community health service providers at 70 sites will receive funding to support crucial infrastructure projects to extend the useful life of their facilities, improve accessibility and enhance quality of care.. Projects may include upgrades or replacements to roofs, windows, HVAC systems and fire alarms.

Increased investment in community health care is part of the government's plan to build a better Ontario through its Patients First: Action Plan for Health Care. This plan provides clients with faster access to the right care, better home and community care, the information they need to live healthy, and a health care system that is sustainable for generations to come.

QUOTES

“This is an important investment in crucial infrastructure to improve health care facilities. It is one of the ways in which we are working hard to ensure the people of Ontario receive the best care possible.”

— Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario



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“Providing infrastructure funding to community health service providers is part of our commitment to put patients first and ensures that Ontarians receive care in a safe and healthy environment. Important investments like this one help to build a health care system that delivers high-quality care today and a sustainable system in the future.”

— Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care

“Investing in these health service agencies is key to ensuring our system is safe and reliable. This facility renewal will ensure patients can continue to receive high-quality care in a healthy environment.”

— Ted McMeekin, MPP – Ancaster-Dundas-Flamborough-Westdale

“Three organizations in Hamilton - *Wayside House Hamilton*, *Hamilton Urban Core Community Health Centre*, and *CMHA Hamilton* - will be sharing in \$93,020 to support their infrastructure to ensure each can continue to focus on what they do best – care for the people they serve. These investments will support the good working condition of these organizations’ facilities, ensuring local residents continue to be able to access high quality care, close to home.”

— Michael Shea, Board Chair, Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant LHIN

QUICK FACTS

- Since 2013, seven new hospitals have been built in five communities: Toronto, Oakville, London, Hamilton and Cornwall.
- Community Health Service Providers are funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to provide a range of community programs including primary care, community mental health and addictions, and residential treatment programs.
 - Ontario’s health care budget has increased from \$47.6 billion in 2012–13 to a total of \$51.8 billion in 2016–17.
- Last week, Ontario released the Premier’s mandate letters to ministers, which provide further details on how ministers will deliver on key priorities, [including health care](#).

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