

Ontario Investing up to \$501 Million to Expand and Modernize Milton District Hospital

Infrastructure Investment Improving Access to Health Care in Milton

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Ontario is investing up to \$501.3 million to support the construction of a new four-story patient care building at Milton District Hospital to give patients faster access to the right care.

Through this expansion, patients in Milton will benefit from:

- A new patient care building to offer priority clinical services, including critical care, maternal newborn, diagnostic imaging, emergency, surgery and inpatient beds
- Increasing inpatient beds from 63 to 129, including more single-patient rooms for improved infection prevention and increased patient privacy
- The addition of the hospital's first Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) machine
- A Special Care Nursery with capacity for eight bassinets in the Maternal Newborn Unit.

Construction at Milton District Hospital is now underway and is expected to be complete in the spring of 2017.

Ontario is making the largest infrastructure investment in Ontario's history — more than \$130 billion over 10 years, which will support more than 110,000 jobs per year on average, with projects such as roads, bridges, transit systems, schools and hospitals across the province.

The government's plan to build Ontario up is supported by a number of initiatives, including broadening the ownership of Hydro One — an approach that raises billions for infrastructure.

Investing in priority infrastructure, including hospitals, is part of the government's plan to build Ontario up. The four-part plan includes investing in people's talents and skills, making the largest investment in public infrastructure in Ontario's history, creating a dynamic, innovative environment where business thrives, and building a secure retirement savings plan.

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“Today marks an important milestone in the redevelopment and expansion of Milton District Hospital. Once completed, the brand new patient care building and renovations to the existing hospital will ensure patients in Milton have improved access to a number of high-quality services closer to home.”

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

“Today's ground-breaking for the Milton District hospital expansion project is an historic step for our community and riding. It signals the beginning of an exciting new era of higher quality, patient-centred health care for Halton residents. Getting shovels in the ground is an important milestone that brings us one step closer to more accessible health care to meet the needs of our growing community.”

— Indira Naidoo-Harris, MPP for Halton

“Today marks a truly momentous occasion for the Milton community as we celebrate the first construction milestone of this highly anticipated expansion project that will greatly enhance the delivery of exemplary patient care programs and services. Thank you to everyone involved in making this project a reality. Years of planning, hard work and community partnership are now coming to fruition.”

— Denise Hardenne, President and CEO, Halton Healthcare Services

QUICK FACTS

- Infrastructure Ontario and Halton Healthcare Services have awarded a contract to Plenary Health to design, build, finance and maintain the Milton District Hospital expansion project.
- The Milton District Hospital expansion project is a significant economic opportunity for the community. At the peak of construction, more than 500 workers will be on site daily.
- Modernizing infrastructure will support more than 110,000 jobs a year on average in construction and related industries.
- A Conference Board of Canada report estimated that Ontario’s public infrastructure investment would add more than \$1,000 to the average annual income of Ontarians in 2014 and lower the unemployment rate by about one percentage point.
- Ontario’s long-term infrastructure plan will help connect regions, develop new economic opportunities and improve quality of life for Ontarians by supporting critical infrastructure projects in cities, towns, and rural and remote communities all across the province.

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