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## **Georgetown Hospital Volunteer Association Donates \$60,000**

**(Halton Hills, ON)** –The Georgetown Hospital Volunteer Association (GHVA) presented the Georgetown Hospital with a cheque for \$60,000 at their virtual Annual General Meeting, held Wednesday, June 15, 2022.

"Congratulations to the GHVA on yet another successful year. In addition to their invaluable hours of service, the Volunteer Association continues to find creative ways to raise funds through revenue generated from the gift shop, 50/50 draws and other community events," notes Janet Skupsky, Interim Chief Operating Officer at Georgetown Hospital. "This year's cheque for \$60,000 demonstrates the unwavering commitment and generosity of all of our volunteers. Their dedicated service to the hospital truly enriches the patient experience."

The GHVA has an active force of 141 dedicated volunteers. "During the pandemic we had to temporarily reduce or pause many of the volunteer services at Georgetown Hospital in order to keep everyone safe. Unfortunately, this also meant cancelling many events. Thankfully, we are gradually resuming all of our activities," explains Allan Welters, President of the GHVA. "Everyone is so happy to be back."

"I am honoured to be part of the GHVA's AGM today. Every one of our volunteers has done such an impressive job supporting the hospital – they help our patients, families and staff in so many ways, not to mention raising funds in spite of the pandemic," added Monica Bettazzoni, who was recently announced as Georgetown Hospital's new Chief Operating Officer and Director for the Georgetown Hospital Family Practice Program. "The enthusiasm and dedication of our volunteers is truly inspiring and I am thrilled to be working with them."

GHVA President, Allan Welters, stepped down at this year's AGM after 10 years of dedicated volunteer service which included serving as both vice-president and president. The Board welcomes Marion Lookman as the newly appointed President, while Allan continues on as Past President.

Halton Healthcare's hospitals accept applications for new volunteers twice a year. Adults and youth looking to volunteer can submit an application online from July 1-August 12, 2022. Please visit <u>www.haltonhealthcare.com</u> for more information.

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**Georgetown Hospital Volunteer Association (GHVA):** The GHVA' s mission is to provide service, support and fundraising for their community hospital. The Association raises funds through many annual events including the poinsettia sale, as well as the Gift Shop, lobby vendor sales and the HELPP Lottery. The Association offers many rewarding and fulfilling volunteer experiences to adults and youth. If you are interested in volunteering or for more information, visit www.haltonhealthcare.com. **Halton Healthcare:** Halton Healthcare is a healthcare organization comprised of three community hospitals - Georgetown Hospital, Milton District Hospital and Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital. Together these hospitals, along with their community locations, provide healthcare services to nearly 400,000 residents in the communities of Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville. Halton Healthcare hospitals have been recognized for their best practices in a number of patient safety and patient care initiatives. For more information, visit www.haltonhealthcare.com

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