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## Wallwin Electric's tradition of giving continues

Building on a 28 year tradition of supporting Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre (RVH), Wallwin Electric Services Ltd. has made another generous contribution of \$75,000 to the health centre. In total, Wallwin Electric has given more than \$150,000, including this latest gift, and continues to demonstrate their long-term commitment to RVH.

"The community of Barrie and the surrounding area has been very good to our business and we want to return the favour as much as we can," says Craig Wallwin, president and CEO, Wallwin Electric.

This latest donation will be allocated toward a new Advanced Cardiac Care program at RVH. Currently, North Simcoe Muskoka is the only region in the province without advanced cardiac services. As a result, every year more than 3,500 heart patients must travel to centres outside the region for lifesaving cardiac care.

"We believe in RVH's commitment to putting patients first and we want to make sure that RVH can continue providing that care to our staff, families, friends and community," says Tim Southorn, vice-president, Wallwin Electric. "This means helping RVH offer comprehensive healthcare which includes advanced cardiac care. I want to know that if one of Wallwin Electric's staff, customers, friends or family need heart care, it is available for them close to home."

The development of an Advanced Cardiac Care program, in partnership with Southlake Regional Health Centre, will have a significant impact on bringing cardiac care to residents. The services RVH will provide through the program include cardiac diagnostics and interventions such as coronary angiogram and angioplasty, giving patients access to faster treatment, a shorter hospital stay and less travel time.

"We cannot thank Wallwin Electric enough for their continuous support of RVH over nearly three decades," says Janice Skot, president and CEO, RVH. "Whatever RVH's need, Wallwin has always responded with a loyal commitment to supporting healthcare in this region. And now, with the development of an advanced cardiac program, they are responding to the latest need - ensuring cardiac care is accessible to the region's residents within 90 minutes of a heart attack. Wallwin realizes that time is critical to a positive outcome for heart patients – the longer a person waits to obtain medical care, the more damage to the heart. And they have responded generously to help make cardiac care close to home a reality."

With RVH's \$450 million expansion complete, the health centre is focused on continuing to bring specialized programs closer to home, including advanced heart care, child mental health and women's cancer services, while expanding clinical research. RVH relies 100 per cent on the generosity of donors to fund new equipment that ensures safe, high quality care.

### About Wallwin Electric

Wallwin Electric Services Ltd. is located in Barrie, Ontario, Canada, where it was founded in 1951. Due to steady growth, the company has expanded several times and today operates a 16,500 square foot, state-of-the-art facility. As one of the largest electrical contractors of its kind in Canada, Wallwin Electric's client base continues to grow beyond central Ontario to now include other regions of Canada, the United States and internationally. Wallwin offers complete industrial and commercial contracting services, a motor shop for rewinding services and retail sales counter, and a service department that operates 365 days of the year, 24 hours per day.

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### About RVH:

RVH is a regional health centre in Barrie, Ontario, located 80 kilometres north of Toronto. As the largest hospital in the region of Simcoe Muskoka, RVH's team of over 350 physicians, 2,500 employees and 850 volunteers provides exceptional care and specialty services to almost half a million residents, including cancer care, stroke services, orthopaedics, intensive care, mental health and interventional radiology. RVH is focused on delivering high-quality, safe care that puts patients and their families first. For more information visit [www.rvh.on.ca](http://www.rvh.on.ca)