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RVH RECEIVES \$62,500 FROM THE HONDA CANADA FOUNDATION

Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre (RVH) has received a \$62,500 donation from Honda Canada Foundation, in support of the Simcoe Muskoka Regional Child and Youth Mental Health Program.

“We are so fortunate to have generous donors across the region who support and understand RVH’s regional role,” says John Byles, chair, RVH Foundation. “The Honda Canada Foundation understands the urgent need for care closer to home for children and youth in the region. The Honda Canada Foundation gift will directly impact youth in our region who need acute mental health care.”

The unit features eight inpatient beds, child and youth friendly décor and a day program so kids can get the help they need and return home each night. Child and Youth Mental Health is one of five areas of focus in the health centre’s Hearts & Minds campaign – along with advanced cardiac care, women’s cancer services and teaching and research. The campaign has recently achieved \$24.5 million of its \$25 million goal.

“We wholeheartedly support this health centre and are pleased this gift of funds will help bring mental health care closer to home for the youth in our region,” says Bill Easdale, Senior Vice President of Honda of Canada Mfg. and Vice Chair of the Honda Canada Foundation.”

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In photo: **Alana Taylor, group leader, Communications and Community Relations, Honda of Canada Mfg.; John Byles, chair, RVH Foundation Board of Directors; Mary Webb, manager, Child and Youth Mental Health, RVH and Sheila Goodfellow, Communications, Honda of Canada Mfg.**

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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

About the Honda Canada Foundation

Formed in 2005, the Honda Canada Foundation (HCF) aims to enable the realization of dreams through various annual philanthropic activities and funding to non-profit registered charities across Canada where Honda customers and associates live, work and play. The HCF focuses on four key pillars – family, environment, engineering and education – and each year more than \$1.5 million is disbursed to groups in need through more than 500 grants. More than 5.5 million Canadians have benefited from Honda Canada and Honda Canada Foundation funded charitable programs.