

# THANK YOU *Miracle on the* MOUNTAIN *Gala* SUPPORTERS!

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## FOR A NEW CT SCANNER AT VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL

On Saturday, May 25th, we at the Victoria Hospitals Foundation had the privilege of welcoming nearly 300 guests to the 3rd annual *Miracle on the Mountain Gala*. Together, attendees & supporters raised a record-breaking \$1 million in support of the Foundation's *Imaging is Power* campaign and a new CT scanner at Victoria General Hospital.

The community stood tall—first, in a standing ovation for Craig Mearns who started the night with a \$500,000 matching gift to inspire the room.

Then, throughout the evening as guests, donors and local businesses helped us reach a preliminary event total of \$956,000. Finally, the Westshore showed up in force: in wishing to ensure the match would be fully

met, Stew Young rallied business leaders after the gala to help us achieve the \$1 million mark. We are grateful for this momentous show of generosity.

"This final total is a tribute to the incredible philanthropists in our community, and a pure reflection of the Westshore's generous nature. Seeing donors, caregivers, sponsors and volunteer committee members united for the greater good of the community—during the gala, and immediately following it—is quite simply remarkable," shares Avery Brohman, Victoria Hospitals Foundation CEO. "We know that the strongest hospitals across Canada have the strongest philanthropy, and what we have done for our imaging department at VGH is powerful and transformative. It is a great privilege to be witness to such intentional philanthropy." → [More at victoriahf.ca/miracle2024](https://victoriahf.ca/miracle2024)



Foundation team members celebrate gala success with donor Craig Mearns, Radiologist Dr. John Hickie, Westshore champion Stew Young, and presenting sponsor & Gala Chair Amy Ratcliff. Photo by Julia Loglisci

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Speakers, Dr. Iain McAuley & James Anglin



Members of the Gala Steering Committee on stage



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and all those working in our hospitals  
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