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Dear Kim and Selwyn,

On behalf of Grey Bruce Health Services, please accept my thanks for the \$780,000.00 we received from the County of Grey – to go towards the Markdale Hospital redevelopment project. And for the previous cheque we received, in the amount of \$220,000.00, totaling a \$1 million contribution. GBHS is so appreciative of the land that Grey County donated for the new Markdale hospital site back in 2005 as well.

While other contributions have wavered over time as our organization and the community went through many hoops to get to the approval phase with the Ministry and more recently shovels in the ground, we are grateful for your steadfast support at the County.

Thanks to Council for accepting an additional funding request from the Centre Grey Health Services Foundation and referring this to your Healthcare Initiatives Task Force for consideration in the 2022 budget to potential help us close the funding gap on this project.

The existing Markdale Hospital has and will continue to serve as an important rural healthcare hub, until such time that the new facility is open and ready to provide the Grey Highlands region with modern equipment, outpatient services and a new model of care that includes room for growth in the future.

On behalf of my team, thank you for your generosity and steadfast support.



Gary Sims
GBHS President & CEO

cc: **John Kurvink**, VP Strategy & Financial Services, CFO