



A Future Fueled By Hope



POWER
of HOPE
GOLF TOURNAMENT

We Need Your Help!

The Power of Hope Golf Tournament will take place on August 25, 2025 at the Cataraqui Golf and Country Club. Since its inception four years ago, this tournament has raised \$565,000 to fund essential equipment in the fight against prostate cancer.

In November, in partnership with the B'nai Brith Lodge 1191, the committee pledged a further \$500,000 over the next three years, as a matching grant and to inspire other donations.

Now, the committee has its sights set on an incredibly important goal: securing a second Da Vinci Robotic Surgery System.

Robot-assisted minimally invasive surgery (MIS) is the perfect blend of human expertise and cutting-edge technology, working together for the health and well-being of every patient.

The Kingston Health Sciences Centre (KHSC) A. Britton Smith Q. C. Robotics Program is a national leader, performing the highest volume of robotic colorectal surgeries in Canada. Launched at KHSC in 2018, thanks to a generous donor, the first Da Vinci robot has already transformed surgical care. Upgrading this technology—and adding a second system—will expand access to robotic surgeries including: urologic cancers (prostate and kidney), gynecologic oncology



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(hysterectomies), lung cancer, pancreatic cancer and hepatobiliary cancers (liver, bile ducts and gallbladder).

Surgeons benefit from enhanced visualization, greater precision, and improved dexterity during procedures. Patients experience less trauma, shorter hospital stays, reduced blood loss, fewer transfusions and decreased reliance on pain medication.

The Future of Robotics at KHSC

Now in its sixth year, KHSC's A. Britton Smith Q. C. Robotics Program requires updating to keep pace with technological advancements. Continued investment is essential to maintain world-class care close to home. Planned upgrades include adding capabilities to the current Da Vinci Robot X and acquiring a

second, newest Da Vinci Xi model to expand surgical capacity. The estimated cost is \$3.5 million for equipment, with approximately \$1 million annually for service contracts and surgical disposables. Once funding is secured, KHSC can proceed with implementation.

"I was one of the first to benefit from the Da Vinci system and I truly believe it saved my life. Over the past five years, many surgeries for prostate cancer patients have been performed using this technology."

- Mike Laframboise, Sr.

How Can You Help?

- Join us and play in the tournament.
- Become a three-year sponsor.
- Make a gift in support.

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