

JOINT PRESS RELEASE**Amazon Canada donates \$200,000 to support frontline healthcare workers and COVID-19 relief efforts at Royal Alexandra Hospital**

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EDMONTON, AB—Today, the Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation is celebrating a substantial donation of \$200,000 made by Amazon Canada's Nisku Fulfillment Centre to provide critical support for frontline care providers.

The donation comes at a critical time with recent figures indicating about 19 severely ill Albertans are being admitted to the ICU every day. These funds will provide frontline workers with the tools and equipment they require to perform their jobs safely and efficiently in the Royal Alexandra's much-expanded ICU space, allowing them to treat even more patients. In addition to tools and equipment, the contribution will also help staff and physicians access more onsite counselling services to support their mental health and well-being during the pandemic's fourth wave, and help purchase more medical equipment to further prevent cross contamination when treating multiple patients.

"Amazon is truly grateful to the people in the communities where we operate, and we are committed to the health and wellness of everyone in the greater Edmonton community," said Jas Khangura, Director, Regional Operations at Amazon Canada. "The team at Royal Alexandra is working tirelessly to care for Albertans during this critical time, and we are proud and honoured to support all of the hospital's frontline healthcare workers, nurses and doctors who are keeping people safe."

"It is so uplifting to hear that Amazon team members were looking to find a way to show their support to those on the frontlines of this health crisis," said Sharlene Rutherford, President and CEO of the Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation. "The \$200,000 donation from Amazon Canada is very much appreciated and comes at the most critical of times. Thank you to everyone at Amazon Canada's Nisku Fulfillment Centre for your action to support those on the frontlines of care in your local community. Your gift will truly make a difference to each and every one of them."

Members of the Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation recently welcomed Amazon team members at a cheque presentation ceremony to officially receive the gift, and share appreciation for the donation.

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About the Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation

Established in 1984, the Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation is committed to supporting improved healthcare outcomes for the hundreds of thousands of people who seek treatment at the Royal Alexandra Hospital every year. The Foundation funds ground-breaking education, cutting-edge research, next-generation technologies and facility enhancements. It also supports a growing number of specialized centres of healthcare excellence located at the Royal Alexandra Hospital campus, including the Lois Hole Hospital for Women, the CK Hui Heart Centre, the Orthopedic Surgery Centre and the Eye Institute of Alberta.

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