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Sudbury Receiving Increased Funding for Community Health Organizations

Investment provided to Monarch Addiction Services for Infrastructure Improvements

NEWS

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Ontario is providing \$4.1 million in 2016–17 to community health service providers across the province to keep these agencies in a state of good repair so patients can continue to receive high-quality care in a safe and healthy environment.

In Sudbury, Monarch Addiction Services is receiving \$46,000. The funding will be used to upgrade the fire escape in the Men's Recovery Home and to add a new furnace in the Men's transition home.

Across Ontario, 59 community health service providers at 70 sites will receive funding to support crucial infrastructure projects to extend the useful life of their facilities, improve accessibility and enhance quality of care.. Projects may include upgrades or replacements to roofs, windows, HVAC systems and fire alarms.

Increased investment in community health care is part of the government's plan to build a better Ontario through its Patients First: Action Plan for Health Care. This plan provides clients with faster access to the right care, better home and community care, the information they need to live healthy, and a health care system that is sustainable for generations to come.

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"This is an important investment in crucial infrastructure to improve health care facilities. It is one of the ways in which we are working hard to ensure the people of Ontario receive the best care possible."

— **Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario**

"Providing infrastructure funding to community health service providers is part of our commitment to put patients first and ensures that Ontarians receive care in a safe and healthy environment. Important investments like this one help to build a health care system that delivers high-quality care today and a sustainable system in the future.

— **Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care**

“We can’t underestimate the important role that Monarch Addiction Services plays in our local health-care system. These upgrades allow staff to focus on their top priority, providing quality care to area residents.”

—**Glenn Thibeault, MPP for Sudbury**

“This special funding to fix crumbling infrastructure, in this case a fire escape, will enable Monarch Addiction Services to devote its operation dollars to front-line client care. Monarch plays a vital role in offering addiction services to both men and women in the North East system of care.”

—**Louise Paquette, CEO of the north East LHIN**

QUICK FACTS

- Since 2013, seven new hospitals have been built in five communities: Toronto, Oakville, London, Hamilton and Cornwall.
- Community Health Service Providers are funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to provide a range of community programs including primary care, community mental health and addictions, and residential treatment programs.
- Ontario’s health care budget has increased from \$47.6 billion in 2012–13 to a total of \$51.8 billion in 2016–17.
- Last week, Ontario released the Premier’s mandate letters to ministers, which provide further details on how ministers will deliver on key priorities, including health care

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