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Employees of Big Feet raise \$7,142.20 in support of Richmond Hospital 128-Slice Adaptive CT Scanner Campaign

Richmond, BC – A cheque in the amount of \$7,142.20 was presented to the Richmond Hospital Foundation from Big Feet this afternoon.

Shirley Shaw, owner of Big Feet, decided to participate in the new CT scanner Campaign and encouraged her staff to do so by agreeing to generously match every penny raised by the staff. That meant every \$1 raised became \$2 donated towards the CT Scanner Campaign.

Over Mothers' Day weekend, 40 dedicated staff members of Big Feet donated and raised \$3,571.10. With Shirley's matching donation \$3,571.10, a total of \$7,142.20 was donated towards the purchasing of a 128-Slice Adaptive CT Scanner, an invaluable, life-saving tool that would improve healthcare in the fields of cardiology, oncology, neurology among others.

"We chose the Richmond Hospital Foundation as that is where most of my staff live, and we want the best for our community," said Shirley.

Executive Director of the Richmond Hospital Foundation Lisa Westermarck said she was grateful for the support of groups like the Big Feet. "We are lucky to have such wonderful community support."

128-Slice Adaptive CT Scanner - This will be the first CT Scanner of its kind in BC, and in addition to the new MRI, will make Richmond Hospital's *Milan and Maureen Ilich Diagnostic Imaging Centre* a true leader in the province.

The Richmond Hospital Foundation is a registered charity that is committed to raising money to fill the gap between government funding and the greater needs of our hospital.



Picture: Ms. Shirely Shaw, owner of Big Feet (R2) and staff presented the cheque to Lisa Westermark, executive director of Richmond Hospital Foundation (Centre).