

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH # 133 MAKES GIFT TO THE NORTHUMBERLAND HILLS HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

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Northumberland County – Today, representatives of the Royal Canadian Legion Br. 133 made a presentation of \$11,000 to the Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation.

The funds are specifically earmarked to purchase two pieces of priority medical equipment to help care for the patients of west Northumberland. An Immufuge for the laboratory is one of those purchases. The Immufuge is a bench top, two-speed blood bank centrifuge that is used in cell washing, spinning blood samples to separate serum or plasma from clot and is also used in antibody screening. The new Immufuge will replace the current equipment that was purchased in 1988.

The second item to be purchased is a warming cabinet for the Surgical Services program. Typically, operating rooms are kept quite cool; the stress of the surgery itself coupled with the cool temperature of the OR means that immediately following surgery, patients can be comforted by the placement of a warm blanket on their body. The warm blanket helps to bring the patients body temperature back up to normal.

The total cost of these two items is \$11,000.

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