

Lemon-Aid Initiative Raises More Than \$6,400 for Northumberland Hills Hospital



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NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY – This summer, Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH) Foundation invited the Northumberland community to help turn lemons into lemonade and raise funds for NHH. When the Foundation kicked off their new program at the beginning of July, aptly named Lemon-Aid, the team was hopeful the community would rally together in support – and rally they did. Collectively, 20 lemonade stands were hosted, raising \$6,420.13 to help fund critical medical equipment and technology at NHH.

“We are so impressed by the young and young-at-heart folks in our community who stepped up to host a stand,” shares Melissa Allison, NHH Foundation’s Community Engagement and Events Specialist. “Seeing so many children wanting to help people in their community is really inspiring and it gives a lot of hope for a bright future. We were also lucky to have many friends of the Foundation and local businesses, like The Capitol Theatre in Port Hope and Headwaters Farm in Hamilton Township, join us in hosting Lemon-Aid stands this summer.”

Lemon-Aid was supported by Davis’ Your Independent Grocer in Port Hope and upon registration, participants received kits to help them get their

stands started, which included \$5 gift cards to Independent. Hosts took on the planning and executing of their own stands and many were creative – hand squeezing their lemonade, selling extras like popsicles and cookies, and offering unique twists to lemonade like mint and pink watermelon.

“We want to thank all stand hosts for joining with their families and friends to support NHH as well as the many community members who stopped by stands to purchase treats and make a donation,” continues Allison. “Some of the hosts have let us know they’re already planning how to be even more creative with their stands next year and we can’t wait to see what they have in store for summer 2023.”