

Ontario Recognizes the Importance of Rehabilitation with New Development Project

In Ontario alone, the demand for rehabilitation services will grow by more than 40 per cent in the next 15 to 20 years. Rehabilitation science and its continued development will become increasingly important. That is why the Ontario government recognizes rehabilitation as one of the key components of the health care system and is investing in the redevelopment of the Toronto Rehabilitation Institute (Toronto Rehab).

Rehabilitation enables patients to:

- transition out of acute care and into another level of care where they can build sufficient strength
- re-gain their cognitive and physical abilities
- learn new skills they will need to return home to live as independently as possible.

Created in 1998, Toronto Rehab is Canada's largest adult rehabilitation and complex continuing care hospital. It is one of only a handful of university-affiliated teaching hospitals in Canada specializing in rehabilitation science and the only adult rehabilitation hospital in Ontario with a primary research role.



*The Toronto Rehabilitation Institute
Before Construction*

As the largest academic provider of adult rehabilitation services, Toronto Rehab helps meet the health care needs of more than 15,000 adults each year who are undergoing rehabilitation for serious injury and illness including stroke, brain injury, multiple trauma and cancer.

Located at six sites throughout Toronto, Toronto Rehab employs 1,700 people and benefits from the support of more than 300 volunteers.

June 9, 2008 marked a significant milestone for Toronto Rehab with the demolition of its south wing to make way for its capital

redevelopment project. The project will include construction of a new 13-storey patient care and research tower and further renovations to the existing 12-storey east wing and four-storey north wing.



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These changes will result in more than 17,000 square feet of new dedicated research space to house the hospital's growing research program; as well, dedicated education space will accommodate the increasing number of students who come to Toronto Rehab to complete their clinical training in a variety of health care disciplines.

Once completed, Toronto Rehab's University Centre will be a modern hospital with facilities specifically designed to rebuild lives physically and emotionally. The redevelopment project will also make way for Toronto Rehab's new iDAPT (Intelligent Design for Adaptation, Participation and Technology) research initiative and the creation of one of the most advanced rehabilitation research facilities in the world.

AFP Project Milestones

- Kingston General Hospital - Commercial and financial close announced, July 10, 2008.
- Toronto Rehabilitation Institute - Commercial close announced, July 28, 2008.
- Bridgepoint Health - RFP release announced, July 29, 2008.

French River receives \$3.5 million for municipal complex from Infrastructure Ontario's OSIFA Loan Program

With the assistance of an Infrastructure Ontario loan, the Municipality of French River, located between Parry Sound and Sudbury, the new 16,891 square-foot municipal complex is well underway.

The complex will include:

- Municipal offices
- A state-of-the-art council chamber.
- Third party organizations such as: The Sudbury East Community Health Centre, Social Services Board's ambulance station and the Wheels Senior's Program

The complex will allow the Sudbury East Community Health Centre to offer:

- More staffing opportunities
- a physiotherapist
- a nutritionist
- a new lab.

The municipal complex will provide many groups with necessary services in one central location. As a result, this will increase the quality of health care throughout the area. Not only will the building serve multiple groups in the community but it will also be the largest office building in the entire French River region.

"This building is for the residents of the Municipality of French River, and without question, the new municipal complex will instill a great sense of pride for the residents of French River. Not only will it enhance our urban site, it will become one of the region's most recognized landmarks. This project would not have been possible without the help of Infrastructure Ontario."

--Michel Monette, CMA
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk
Municipality of French River

The municipality looked to Infrastructure Ontario for an affordable loan of \$3.5 million to finance the \$4.4 million project, which will expand much needed services and serve many groups in the community.

The construction of the new municipal complex officially began on Friday April 25, 2008 and it is anticipated that it will be ready for occupancy in the winter of 2009.

For more information about the OSIFA Loan Program and our affordable loan rates, terms and options - please visit the Infrastructure Ontario website under the heading Loans and Services or call our Information Hotline at 1-800-230-0937.

Six Month Project Overview

The past six months have yielded significant changes in Infrastructure Ontario's portfolio of major infrastructure projects. As we've grown, both in size and scope, we've shown our commitment to making projects happen in Ontario.

At the end of June 2008, Infrastructure Ontario had 18 social infrastructure projects under construction, one project approaching financial close and 14 projects in the procurement phase. Two of these projects belonged to entirely new sectors: energy and transportation. As with all of our major infrastructure projects, these projects will be built using the Alternative Financing and Procurement (AFP) model.

Project progress over the past six months:

- Request for qualifications open for Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Toronto South Detention Centre and Waterloo Region Consolidated Courthouse.
- Pre-qualified bidders named for Bridgepoint Health and Windsor Regional Hospital.

- Request for proposals open for Lakeridge Health, Royal Victoria Hospital and The Nuclear Procurement Project, which moved from the request for proposals phase one to the request for proposals phase two.
- Request for proposals closed for Niagara Health System, Woodstock General Hospital and Toronto Rehabilitation Institute
- Commercial close achieved for Kingston General Hospital.
- Financial Close achieved for Kingston General Hospital and London Health Sciences Centre and St. Joseph's Health Care, London.
- Projects Under Construction for Hamilton Health Sciences; Henderson General Hospital, The Ottawa Hospital Regional Cancer Program and Credit Valley Hospital.
- Trillium Health Centre opened its fracture clinic.