



The **Upper River Valley Hospital Foundation** was established in 2019 by a group of dedicated and community minded volunteers who are passionate about health care delivery in the region. The current major project is a **\$3 million dollar MRI campaign** which includes a state of the art 1.5 Tesla magnet (\$1.4 million) and new modular housing unit (\$1.6 million) to be attached to the URVH facility. Horizon Health Network has allocated an additional \$1.5 million for installation, training and staffing costs.



This MRI will replace the current portable unit, which spends on average two weeks per month serving URVH patients but is nearing the end of life and is shared with another hospital.

The new machine boasts many features including a wide bore, which can reduce claustrophobia symptoms. The size and new imaging technology will be able to accommodate bariatric patients, patients with pacemakers and patients in need of initial breast scans who are currently referred to Fredericton, Saint John,

or Moncton. **A permanent machine can perform between 8 and 12 scans per day, which could reduce wait times for patients.**

The great news is that we are over the halfway mark for our campaign. The project is scheduled to break ground in spring/summer 2024, so we are reaching out to our caring community to join our campaign, which will dramatically improve this important area of healthcare services.

Why do hospital foundations exist? People often wonder why the government is not responsible for these types of costs. The reality is, the healthcare budget is designed to cover facilities, maintenance, and labour costs, along with a limited number of the most critical equipment projects. The delivery of healthcare has changed dramatically, with investments in many areas. Hospital foundations aim to supplement equipment, services and or programs with the goal of continually improving patient care.

*Your donation is invested in local healthcare, which helps you – or someone you love.*

**When you donate to URVHF, your entire donation will go directly to the project.** Additionally, and very importantly, your entire donation is invested in **local healthcare** which helps you, or someone you love.

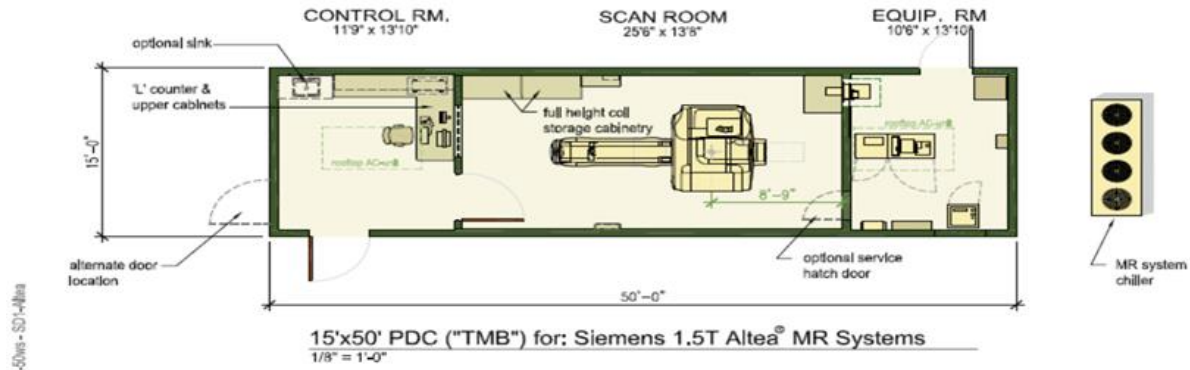


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- Over 1450 MRI exams are performed at URVH per year
- MRI is an essential diagnostic tool for a wide array of issues
- The 1.5 Tesla MRI uses new and improved methods of obtaining images, and more comprehensive scans mean fewer referrals and less travel for patients
- The larger bore reduces claustrophobic effects, and the new unit reduces noise and motion
- The new unit can accommodate patients with pacemakers/cardiac defibrillators
- The permanent modular building will be affixed to URVH, which means the MRI will no longer be shared with other healthcare facilities
- With fundraising already complete on the magnet portion of the campaign (\$1.4 Million) thanks to an incredible single-family donation, the URVH Foundation must now turn to the community to help raise the remaining \$1.6 Million for the accommodation
- The project is scheduled on the Horizon Health Network Capital Projects Lists to begin in 2024