



KRG Children's Charitable Foundation - Media Library

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## ■ What's New: In brief

KRG Children's Charitable Foundation has offered Muskoka-based CNIB Lake Joseph Centre (Lake Jo), which is a camp for visually impaired children and their families, a cornerstone gift of CD\$500,000 toward their "Restoring the Spirit" campaign. The capital campaign aims to raise enough money to rebuild the entire camp facility. The generous donation from KRG will be donated to Lake Jo over a five-year period with CD\$100,000 being donated per year starting June 2006. Steven Wise, chairman of The KRG Children's Charitable Foundation, says KRG's cornerstone gift will "set the wheels in motion to "Restoring the Spirit" at Lake Jo. "Lake Jo is a very special place and the children who will benefit and enjoy the camp should have a state-of-the-art facility,"

Wise concluded as he presented the cheque to the CNIB Capital Campaign committee on June 7, 2006. Other generous gifts recently offered by KRG include:

- \* A CD\$15,000 donation to the CHF1 radiothon in support of the Canadian Women's Foundation Girls' Program;
- \* The presentation of a wheelchair access van to a family with five physically challenged children;
- \* The donation of CD\$50,000 to, and the establishment of a KRG House at, The Children's Safety Village, located in Bruce's Mills York Region;
- \* A five-year commitment of CD\$250,000 to Camp Oochegeas, which is a camp for children living with cancer, as well as the presentation of "The Oochmobile," a camp vehicle leased through Discount Car and Truck Rental;
- \* A donation of CD\$500,000 to renovate the Burns, Plastics and Cranial-Facial Unit at The Hospital for Sick Children in addition to previous funding to renovate the hospital's emergency ward and its nurses lounge as well as an on-going project to create a commissioned mural-painting in the common areas of the hospital;
- \* A CD\$50,000 donation to the Canadian Centre for Abuse Awareness and as a result is the founding sponsor of the child safety awareness program;
- \* A CD\$50,000 donation to Today's Parent Magazine to support their "For Kids Sake" competition, which recognizes five individuals who have made a considerable difference in the lives of children with the donation of \$10,000 to the charity of their choice;
- \* A CD\$25,000 donation through CFRB, Easy 97 radio events for The Hospital for Sick Children; and,
- \* A CD\$10,000 donation, through the Canadian Centre for Abuse Awareness, to a 'beautification project' in North York featuring a mural by artist Ian Leventhal.

KRG continues to fund Variety Village, The Children's Aid Society, Zareinu, a educational and therapeutic outlet for children with physical and developmental disabilities, and the Jean Tweed Centre, an Ontario-based treatment facility for women with substance abuse problems.