

AT DMRF, WE ADHERE TO THE PRINCIPLE THAT YOUR HEALTH IS OUR WORLD.

DMRF has a long and proud history of supporting ground-breaking local health research: our Foundation was created to fill this critical need.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER JOANNE BATH

We are so proud.

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In fact, being the CEO of DMRF has been the proudest work of my career. As a leader in this organization, I have the privilege of working with four key groups of committed stakeholders: our staff, donors, board members, and researchers. Each of these unique groups share my personal, deep conviction of improving people's lives through health research, with a pointed focus on social innovation and bringing together the best resources and talent to make that happen.

Our staff are careful stewards of donor dollars and enthusiastic spokespeople for our researchers.

Our donors are everyday people, like you and me, who have a keen desire to change the world and make lives better. Many have turned their own suffering, loss, or illness into remarkable legacies that improve health and healthcare.

Our board members commit countless hours to support our mission, using their expertise, connections, and goodwill to forward our mission.

And our researchers, who are the courageous, altruistic, brilliant people getting up every day to do the seemingly impossible work of finding faster diagnoses, better treatments, and ultimately, cures for the most difficult conditions and diseases. Beyond the lab, there are health researchers who are also focusing on understanding systemic injustices that prevent people from having equal and fair access to care and they are actively striving to improve this reality for all.

I am grateful to all of you for your partnership on this journey.

I'm excited to announce that we've had our greatest research funding year yet, reaching \$6.6 million.



The work I am privileged to do at DMRF is as impactful as it is inspirational; I am excited to go to work each day. At DMRF, your health is our world. As we review this past fiscal year, we are grateful for your investment and trust in our mission. There are many stories of research projects you have invested in that have had incredible impact. In this report, you will read and watch a selection of those stories.

Since 1979, Dalhousie University health researchers have been the sole recipient of more than \$70 million dollars from DMRF donors. In fact, donor generosity has allowed us to raise more than \$110 million and establish an \$85 million endowment, ensuring we have the funds to bolster health research at Dalhousie for years to come. This carefully managed financial portfolio enables DMRF to secure our operations, while offering other exceptional fundraising programs to further grow excellent health research projects at Dalhousie.

We are grateful.

DMRF was founded by and continues to be supported by caring community members—people like you. Since that time, our commitment to stewarding and managing your money with transparency and integrity is steadfast. Our work is about advancing health outcomes for everyone, regardless of gender, race, culture, ability, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic status. Each of us deserve to be included in all facets of the health research journey. We're looking not only at today, but the future of advancing health research outcomes, and our strategic plan underscores this conviction, every step of the way.

Your health truly is our world.

We've created this Impact Report as a celebration of, and accountability to you and your generous giving. Within these pages, you will read about amazing health researchers you've supported, patients who have been impacted, and the donors, who like you, care deeply about health research.

I hope you get as much joy celebrating your dedicated support, as I do.

With thanks,

Joanne Bath, DMRF CEO