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Rotary club funds George Jeffrey technology

Once again the George Jeffrey Children's Foundation is the fortunate recipient of a very large donation from the Rotary Club of Thunder Bay — Fort William Club. Through their generosity the George Jeffrey Children's Foundation will be receiving \$60,000 to update the video conferencing and tele-medicine suite at the George Jeffrey Children's Centre. This suite provides health-related rehabilitation services to children living in the catchment area and the remote northern communities. The suite is used by doctors, occupational therapists, physiotherapists and speech and language pathologists who provide ongoing treatment, assessments and educational services to the children and caregivers living in these communities as well as to other staff.

The funds that the Fort William Rotary has generously donated have been made possible through their Rotary House Lottery. The concept of the house lottery evolved through the leadership and now memory of fellow Rotarian Steve Syme, who lost his life in the Dryden air crash. Since the inception of the Rotary House Lottery in 1986 close to \$4 million has been raised and donated back to his community.

Bob Hookham, chair of the Rotary lottery committee, said "The success of the Rotary House Lottery is in part due to the faithful ticket buyers, as well as the hard work of many Rotarians and others in the community who are so willing of their time and effort. We are proud to showcase the quality workmanship of our contractors and the sub-trades who have made our homes so desirable and assisted us in raising these funds to give back in support of our community."

George Jeffrey Children's Foundation board president Brad Coslett said "The Rotary Club of Thunder Bay — Fort William have been extremely generous supporters of the George Jeffrey Children's Centre. The Club have not only generously donated this latest gift but have pro-

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George Jeffrey Children's Centre and recently purchased a new set of assisted walker devices for the physiotherapy department. We are extremely grateful for their generous support. It has gone a long way to assist the children that are treated at the centre."

— Submitted by Mary Anne Comuzzi, George Jeffrey Children's Foundation director of development.

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Representatives from George Jeffrey Children's Centre and Rotary Club of Thunder Bay — Fort William surround a cheque for the centre's tele-medicine and video conferencing centre. From left