

TB Vets Gives Over \$5,000 Grant to New Vista Society

Burnaby, B.C. – TB Vets Charitable Foundation, a Burnaby-based registered charity, has provided \$5,065.15 to New Vista Society for the purchase of four oxygen concentrators, two portable nebulizers and one suction machine.

Each year, TB Vets provides funding to B.C. medical facilities to purchase vitally needed respiratory equipment that gives better diagnostic services, treatment, early detection, and patient services for those being treated with respiratory ailments and in respiratory distress. They also provide grants for tuberculosis and other respiratory research. This year, more than \$350,000 is being donated to hospitals and research facilities throughout the province.

“Generous donors to TB Vets Charitable Foundation have helped fellow British Columbians with breathing difficulties for more than 60 years,” says Executive Director, Ron Goyette. “There are immediate and often lifesaving results from the financial support that TB Vets receives. We would like to thank all of our donors; it is this support that allows us to award grants to these deserving organizations.”

Tanya Snow, Director of Care, New Vista Society noted that the equipment will allow residents with respiratory problems to borrow equipment from the facility rather than having to purchase the equipment from their often limited resources / fixed incomes. It will allow the nurses to provide specialized care and treatment for residents with short-term respiratory illnesses.

Possible Photo Caption: TB Vets donated \$5,065.15 to New Vista Society recently for four oxygen concentrators, two portable nebulizers and one suction machine. In 2008, TB Vets is donating more than \$350,000 to hospitals and research facilities throughout the province to help those in respiratory distress. (Shown left to right are: Steve Fifer, New Vista patient; Marguerite Ghislieri, Board Member – TB Vets; Lynda Skipworth, Board Member – TB Vets; and Pat Kaspro, CEO, New Vista Foundation.)

TB Vets Charitable Foundation receives no government funding. Donations to their annual Keytag Campaign and other initiatives allow TB Vets to help children and adults across B.C. in respiratory distress. Since 1946, TB Vets has provided grants in excess of \$10 million to purchase vital respiratory equipment in B.C. hospitals, fund local respiratory research and education, and support the training of future Respiratory Therapists. For more information on TB Vets or to find out how to donate or volunteer, please call 604-874-5636 or visit www.tbvets.org.

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