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### ***Further investment into infrastructure at SHHA***

(Exeter, ON) – The South Huron Hospital Association (SHHA) has received notification that it will receive \$1,295,000 in one-time ECP (Exceptional Circumstance Project) funding as part of the Government’s Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund (HIRF). This is the second year the Hospital has been successful in securing ECP funding in response to important infrastructure projects submitted by SHHA in April of this year.

The ECP Grant is in addition to the one-time HIRF funding received earlier this year.

“In addition to HIRF grants, ECP funding is essential for us to continue investing in our aging infrastructure which in turn enhances the patient experience at SHHA. We are truly appreciative and grateful to the Ministry and the South West Local Health Integration Network (SWLHIN) for the ongoing investments in SHHA,” stated T. Stepanuik, SHHA President & CEO. “He went on to add that “This funding allows us to make critical improvements to the facility.”

With current funding received, SHHA is planning improvements to the main water feed, domestic cold water, hot water pneumatic heat distribution, and the completion of outstanding roof related work . All projects will be completed by March 31, 2018.

Last year, \$280,175 was received by SHHA for ECP, which was used for projects including the replacement of the hot water storage tanks, kitchen floor replacement, safety measures for roof work and telephone system replacement.