



Heartland Health Region

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Extra Funding to Help Ensure Safety in Heartland Facilities

Heartland Health Region (HHR) has received \$1.04 million in new provincial capital funding for equipment purchases and building repairs and upgrades.

The health region will spend \$300,000 to upgrade medical and diagnostic equipment.

Another \$740,000 will be used for building repairs and safety equipment, such as upgrading or replacing fire alarm systems, sprinkler systems, stand-by generators and Occupational Health and Safety items. Building repairs may include replacing windows and roofs, or similar building maintenance.

This funding is part of the provincial government's \$133.1 million health system funding commitment announced February 22nd, for improvements to make the health system safer and more secure for patients and health providers.

"Improving the health and safety of patients and long-term care residents is a priority for this government," said Highways and Infrastructure Minister and MLA for Rosetown-Elrose Jim Reiter. "By addressing long overdue infrastructure improvements, we are following through on our promise to put the patient first."

"This funding will be very helpful to the region as we make improvements to ensure we are able to provide a safe environment for our patients and staff," said Health Region CEO Greg Cummings. The funding will allow the region to address the most pressing needs for building maintenance and repairs, and safety systems, he added.

Heartland Health Region is in the process of reviewing its list of capital priorities, in order to meet the most pressing needs for repairs and equipment.

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