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CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY'S COMMITMENT TO HEALTHCARE IN SOUTHERN ONTARIO

(September 8, 2011 SOUTHERN ONTARIO) – The Mechanical Contractors Association, Greater Hamilton Region (MCAH) and industry partner United Association Local 67 Plumbers. Steamfitters and Welders (U.A. Local 67) continue to unite forces to raise much needed funds in support of the Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation (HHSF) hospital network serving south-central Ontario. The HHSF family of hospitals includes Chedoke, Hamilton General, Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre, McMaster Children's, McMaster University Medical Centre, and St. Peter's.

With the recent \$2,100 donation (\$500 MCAH and \$1,600 UA Local 67 proceeds from several employee events), a total of \$25,301 has been gifted to various HHSF causes.

"The Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation is extremely grateful for the support received from the Mechanical Contractors Association of Hamilton and U.A. Local 67 during the past 24 years. It is this type of community giving that enables us to provide the specialized equipment that supports our health care professionals so that they can effectively care for the people of this region". Parker Neale, Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation Development

Officer.



(Photo right to left) - Mechanical Contractors Association Hamilton President, Lorraine Waller, Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation Development Officer, Parker Neale, and U.A. Local 67 Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee Coordinator, Ian Harper.







Recent discussions between all parties have now confirmed HHSF to be 'Our Charity of Choice' for both U.A. Local 67 and MCA Hamilton remarking, "This decision is starting to materialize through the development of new strategies and fundraising initiatives. A new fundraising webpage will allow our members to participate and support HHSF fundraising events throughout the year while discussions to fund a legacy project are making great progress. Our member companies, employees and journeymen, remain dedicated to maintaining our industry's reputation of representing quality workmanship through the delivery of the highest standards and practices while upholding the same commitment to helping the communities we serve."

The Mechanical Contractors Association, Greater Hamilton Region (MCAH) is a not-for-profit organization representing employers in the unionized Mechanical Contracting industry serving Hamilton, Wentworth, Halton, Brant, Haldimand and Norfolk Counties. Industry partner United Association Local 67 Plumbers, Steamfitters and Welders (U.A. Local 67), continues to provide well-trained journeymen, and apprenticeship training.

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