

Dear Valued Community Member,

Immediate and lasting impacts are possible!

For the 2018 Annual Appeal we asked our clinical staff to identify two needs, one need with immediate impact, and one need with long-term impact. Together, we can make both happen.

Together we can save lives.

Lorne community members and town visitors attending our Urgent Care Department often require relocation within the Hospital or transfer to paramedic or ambulance services. A portable monitor would provide our medical team with accurate, real-time vital data to direct clinical decisions through the transition and optimise patient condition and improve recovery.

Together we can build a healthier community.

Lorne Community Hospital wants to reduce reactive need for treatment services by promoting healthy lifestyle options, and avoidance by our local community of those social contexts that lead to poor physical and mental health outcomes. Consequently, LCH wants to introduce health services that encourage and empower the community to be proactive about its health, with a consequent reduction in clinical need for treatment. With the recent addition and acknowledged success of exercise physiotherapy as a group activity, the Hospital has commenced to reach out. With new resources a healthier community can, with time, be achieved.

Together we can

I invite you to read the enclosed brochure which explains how you can make a gift to our Annual Appeal. Katy Kennedy, available on 5289 4383 or kkennedy.lorne@swarh.vic.gov.au, can answer your questions. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

In advance, I thank you for your generous support. Every donation we receive is both needed and appreciated.

Yours sincerely,



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Chair, LCH Board of Management