



Island Health Employees – Together we are Possibility

*One by one, individuals coming together can make a difference
to help build strong communities for us all*

Each year generous Island Health employees support the United Ways of Greater Victoria, Central and Northern Vancouver Island and Cowichan Region with their time, energy and donations. Recently, the United Way team met with the executive and I was moved and inspired when they shared the impact we as an organization have had in our communities.

United Way offers opportunities and resources to improve the social conditions and the well-being of individuals, families and neighbourhoods throughout Vancouver Island. This year's national theme, "Together, we are Possibility" aligns with United Way's goal of bringing people together to change lives and build strong communities. This theme also ties to the CARE values we share here at Island Health.

In 2014, Island Health employees donated \$240,301, bringing the overall total donated since 1994 to \$4,486,260! These funds will support your local communities and help fund a vital network of more than 192 programs and services across United Way's three areas of focus:

- Create a strong community with healthy individuals
- Support children and youth to grow up healthy and achieve success
- Help build pathways out of poverty

Your ongoing contribution also allows United Way to address the root causes of serious social problems such as poverty, homelessness, family violence and social isolation. It also helps to identify gaps, invest in solutions and evaluate the progress being made.

Please join me in supporting the United Way again this year. For further information, please go to:
https://intranet.viha.ca/admin_resources/united_way/Pages/default.aspx

Regards,

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