

Charitable giving doesn't have to mean donating cash—there are many ways to make a difference.

Judy Haist-Dick, owner of J&J Chocolate Sensations on the main street of Renfrew, has embraced this philosophy.

Speaking from her experience as a cancer patient, Judy knows firsthand about the compassionate, quality care at RVH and is a strong advocate for the hospital.

"We don't know how lucky we are to have the hospital we do with such caring staff, and we'll all need that care at some point. I'm proud of our hospital."

"Judy has been such a success story in so many ways. We are grateful for the recognition and her ongoing support," remarks Randy Penney, RVH President and CEO. Her way to contribute back is to make customized chocolate bars as table favours for the RVH Golf Classic tournament each year. J&J custom RVH-wrapped mini chocolate bars are also a hit at physician recruitment events.

"It's good for people to know we can offer all the things that big centres have," she notes.

Special touches like Judy's customized bars add to the success of the Foundation's signature event says Sarah Robinson, RVH Foundation Director.

"We are grateful for partners like J&J Chocolate Sensations. These types of gifts help offset expenses, allowing us to maximize our fundraising efforts for patient care and medical equipment. Even the smallest gift can have a big impact."



Judy Haist-Dick donates some of the sweet creations made at J&J Chocolate Sensations to the RVH Foundation each year as her way of giving back.