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MDS Aero exceeds goal in inaugural workplace campaign

Recently, MDS Aero completed its first workplace campaign – and it was an amazing success, with the company exceeding its fundraising target.

“We set the goal at \$25,000 because last year was our 25th anniversary,” said Kevin Fitzgerald, President and CEO of [MDS Aero](#). “But we were thrilled when the campaign raised \$32,706 in the end.”

The Ottawa Hospital is an important cause for Fitzgerald, who successfully battled bladder cancer last year and returned to work at the beginning of the year, shortly before the launch of the campaign in March.

Fitzgerald’s experience at The Ottawa Hospital, combined with seeing Ottawa Hospital Research Institute cancer researcher Dr. John Bell’s presentation, encouraged him to lead the workplace campaign at MDS Aero.

That campaign allowed them to purchase three items on Dr. Bell’s priority needs list – a DNA Spinner and two ultra-low temperature freezers.

“We wanted to do something where we could make a real difference,” Fitzgerald said. “The whole company got on board. It’s important for us to give back to the community after 25 years in business,” he said.

Next year, MDS Aero will look at new ways to grow their contributions in the community, said Fitzgerald.

Founded in 1985, MDS is the preeminent supplier of turnkey test facilities and test systems for the aviation, industrial, and marine gas turbine engine community.



Kevin Fitzgerald and Dr. John Bell



Thermo Fisher Scientific compete in last year’s Amazing Race to Cure Cancer.

What’s going on?

The employees at [Thermo Fisher Scientific](#) are up for a challenge. This September, they will compete in the second annual Amazing Race to Cure Cancer. Participants will spend an entire day racing around the city and competing against their colleagues in different games and activities, while raising funds for The Ottawa Hospital.

This past May, The Colonnade Group was honoured for their ongoing support to The Ottawa Hospital. Led by Colonnade Development Ltd. President Steve Kaminski, members of [The Colonnade Group](#), along with some of their suppliers, customers and tenants who participated in the Colonnade Challenge, attended a ceremony at The Ottawa Hospital Cancer Centre where a waiting area was named in their honour.



A waiting area was named for The Colonnade Group at The Ottawa Hospital Cancer Centre.

June has been a busy month for workplace campaigns. [CATSA](#), [logen](#) and The [Masha Krupp Translation Group](#) are all wrapping up successful campaigns. Thank you to all three companies for their continued support of patient care and research at The Ottawa Hospital.

At The Ottawa Hospital Foundation's President's Dinner on May 19, the Foundation presented a citation of thanks to [Abbott Point of Care](#) for their dedication and continued support of the emergency department at The Ottawa Hospital General Campus and to [DataKinetics](#) for their ongoing contributions to patient care and research at The Ottawa Hospital Cancer Centre.



Dr. Jack Kitts honours Abbott Point of Care

Did you know?



A recent MoneySense Magazine report on Canada's top 100 charities named The Ottawa Hospital Foundation as the most efficient hospital foundation in Ontario, giving us an A+ for overall charity efficiency and governance and transparency. We take pride in ensuring your dollars are put to work where you intended and you'll take pride in knowing that supporting the White Coat Campaign means you are helping build a better Hospital.

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