

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



On March 9, 2022, BCHS received planning approval to Build a Better BCHS! The approval to move into Stage 1 comes with \$2.5 million in funding. This money will be used to begin our planning to build a new hospital.

## What happens in the early stages of planning?

Stage 1 and 2 detail everything that is required in the hospital for the next 30 years, including:

- Detailing programs and services that will be required
- The volumes of the programs and services
- Number of beds required
- Component space requirements (detailed listing of every room with associated area)
- Completing architectural block schematics, locating services in the new building and redeveloped space and describing function and flow of users
- Identifying the location of building on the site and describing the new construction, renovation, and demolition phasing plan
- Engineering reports (i.e. traffic studies)

## How will we develop the vision for the new hospital?

Our Project Agreement is a legal agreement between the hospital and Ministry of Health based on parameters set by the Ministry. Signing and complying with these parameters is a condition of funding and approval.

The key planning parameters in the agreement with the Ministry include:

### 1. High level considerations

- The multi-site hospital's vision for services and facilities in the long term (30 years)
- Consider the future adaptability and leverage the use of existing hospital assets and infrastructure to the furthest possible extent

### 2. Bed complement, service volumes, and programming

- Bed and service volume projections must be consistent with Health-Based Allocation Methodology for catchment area

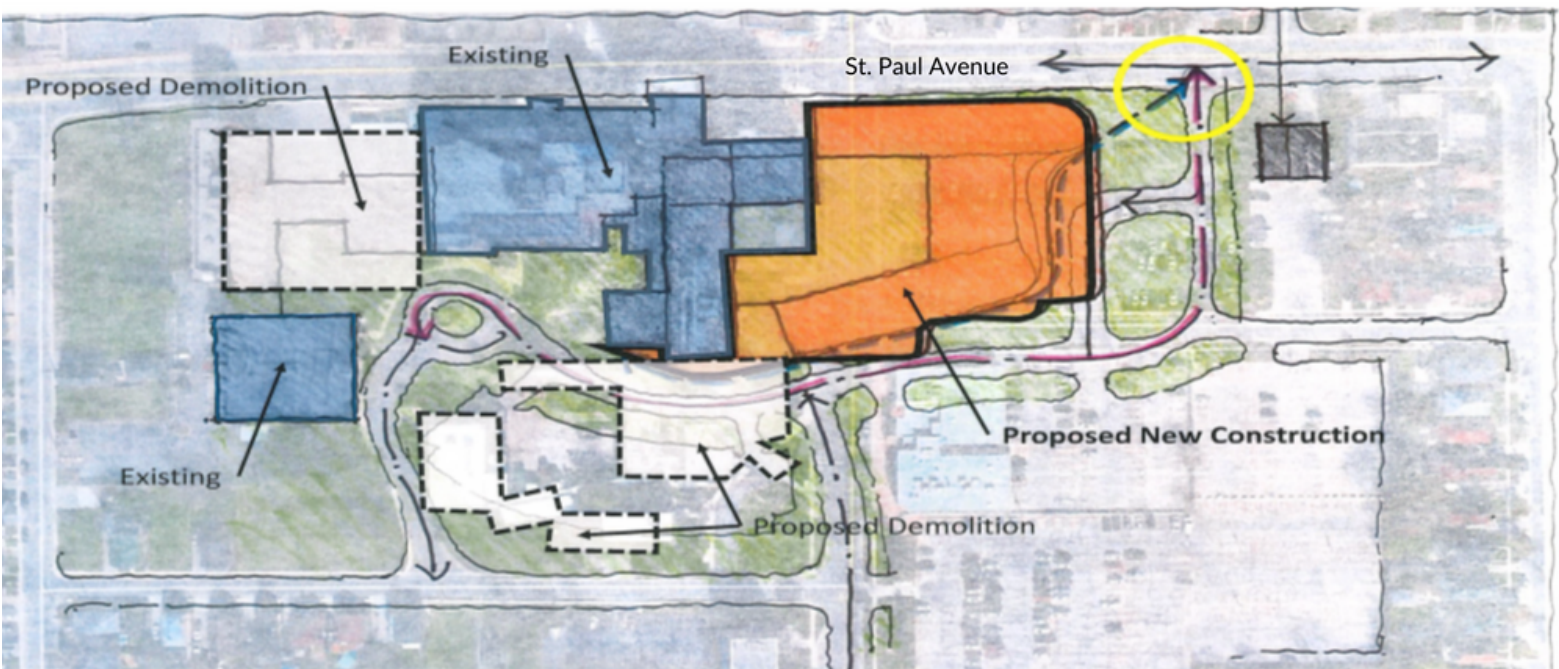
### 3. Integration with other healthcare delivery channels

- Integrate programs and services at the local level and align with regional and provincial programs and services
- Work collaboratively with community health services, primary care, and patients to create patient-centred care continuum
- Ensure culturally appropriate care and services and improved patient experience
- Optimize technology to support patients in the hospital and the community

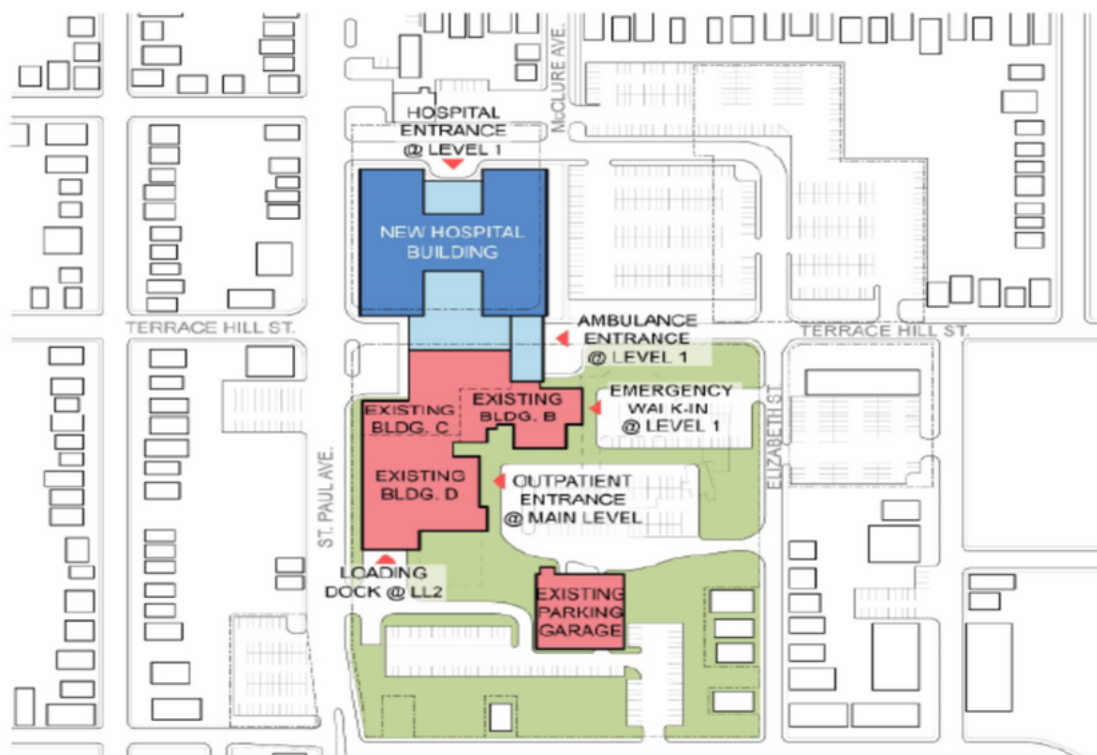


## Where will the new hospital be located?

The redeveloped hospital will be located at the existing sites of Brantford General Hospital and the Willett Hospital in Paris. This will retain recent investment in infrastructure at BGH such as the Emergency Department.



### OPTION 1: SITE PLAN



#### Design Objectives:

- Sense of Arrival
- Accessibility
- Parking
- Flexibility
- Constructability/Site Constraints
- Future Expansion
- Site Zoning (Short Stay / Long Stay)
- Phasing
- Therapeutic Landscape



## How will programs and services be distributed between BGH and the Willett?

Brantford General Hospital and The Willett, Paris, will each be redeveloped to use the space to its full advantage and serve our community as best as possible. The current plans for each site are:

### BGH:

- New 9-story patient tower
- 445 beds
- More than doubling current square footage to over 1.1M square feet

### Willett:

- 52 beds
- Chronic disease clinic
- Dialysis outpatient care
- Diagnostic imaging
- Outpatient rehabilitation
- Educational support spaces

## How long will it take to build the new hospital?

We are in Stage 1 of a 5-stage process. More details on this process can be found [here](#).

At this stage we are anticipating approximately 10 years until we occupy the new building. In the meantime we are looking forward to redeveloping our Emergency Department in the coming year.

## How can I help?

The Ministry of Health will provide 90% of the funds required to build a new hospital; the other 10% must be raised by the community. In addition, all of the fixtures, furnishings, and patient equipment will be purchased through donor dollars. All fundraising will be done through the [Brant Community Healthcare System Foundation](#). At this point they are fundraising for the redevelopment of the Emergency Department, which is a critical first step in modernizing our facilities to serve our community better.

[Contact the Foundation](#) to learn how you can contribute to improving healthcare in our community

## Where can I learn more?

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