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Ellen Anderson - Mayor
The Blue Mountains
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To The Blue Mountains,

The Grey Bruce Branch of St. John Ambulance will be experiencing a year of phenomenal growth and expansion in 2011. The construction of a new training facility and administrative office for the Grey Bruce Branch of St. John Ambulance has already begun, with a completion date of July 2011. Our future location will be across the road from our current facility on 5th Street in Hanover. This unique opportunity for us to look towards our future is a result of forthcoming expansion plans of the Hanover Raceway. The building that we are in, has served us well for 20 years. During this time, our organization has grown exponentially and the increased capacity of the new facility will enable our organization to meet the growing demands for health and safety training and enhance our ability to support the work of our dedicated volunteers. Our focus for fundraising this year will be to support the Building Project. The Raceway is contributing 75% of the project to cover the value of our current facility. In order to meet the expense of the expansion plans an additional \$100,000 will be raised. This facility, located in Hanover, serves as the Administrative Centre for our Owen Sound Training Centre and all of Grey Bruce. As such, we are optimistic that we will receive support from all of the communities we serve.

As this project moves forward our organization will continue to provide the full services that we have in the past. In 2010, our Volunteers contributed a staggering 9,641 service hours in aid of their communities. Our Medical First Responders provided over 5,972 volunteer service hours ensuring valuable first aid coverage at numerous events in the area. In addition to providing first-on-the-scene coverage at local events, our volunteers are also trained and prepared to assist our community in times of natural disaster or emergency. We're also happy to report the continuing success of our Therapy Dog Program. These volunteers and their faithful pets gave 3,669 hours, visiting 31 different care facilities, providing comfort and companionship to the residents.

By helping us expand our services, you play an active part in the Health and Safety of our community. Your donation will be returned to the community several times over through lifesaving first aid training, and our valuable community services. Your funds will allow us to continue to provide first aid coverage at our local fairs and community events, visiting the elderly in our nursing homes and hospitals, provide Babysitting Courses for our youth, First Aid on the Farm training to our rural neighbours and First Aid Training to local industries.

Please see the enclosed donation appeal. A representative from our organization would gladly make a presentation to your group about our Fundraising Campaign and even provide you with some valuable first aid tips. Help us to build upon our invaluable services to our community by making a contribution to our Building Fund. The health and safety of Grey Bruce is our number one priority - we hope you will make it yours too.

Sincerely,

Drew Wilder, Branch Chair
St. John Ambulance, Grey-Bruce Administrative Centre
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by providing training and community service.*

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