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Head: The Bay West Group Inc. donates \$25,000 to the Joseph Brant Hospital Foundation's *Our New Era* campaign.

Photo Caption : Oran Johnson (left) and Jeremy Racicot (right), Partners and Co-Founders of the Bay West Group Inc., present a \$25,000 cheque to Anissa Hilborn, President of the Joseph Brant Hospital Foundation. (New patient tower being built in the background.)

"The Bay West Group has been actively involved in the Burlington community for over 15 years. We live here. We raise our families here. We've built our business here. And we have strong ties with local charitable organizations," said Oran Johnson, Partner, and Co-Founder of the Bay West Group Inc.

"Jeremy, my business partner and co-founder, has been involved with the Rotary Club of Burlington-Lakeshore group for 13 years and more recently I've joined the Joseph Brant Foundation Board of Directors to help guide the redevelopment and expansion of the new hospital here in Burlington," Johnson went on to say.

"We have worked really hard over the years to grow a successful and profitable business. Now, we are in a position give back to the community that we love," said Jeremy Racicot, "the Joseph Brant Hospital Foundation is a natural campaign for us to support as part of our giving-philosophy, and we are proud to be able to present this cheque for \$25,000 to the Joseph Brant Hospital Foundation, in support of *Our New Era* campaign."

Anissa Hilborn, President of the Joseph Brant Hospital Foundation explains that the *Our New Era* campaign is the largest fundraising effort in the history of the hospital and the City of Burlington. "Through the generous support of corporate sponsors like The Bay West Group, we have raised over \$48M, and we are getting closer and closer each day to reaching our \$60M target. Burlington needs a state-of-the-art hospital to help meet the growing needs of this world-class City, and we need the support of our community to help us achieve that goal."

The Bay West Group Inc. helps individuals, business owners, professionals, and corporations build and protect wealth. During the last 10 years, the Bay West Group Inc. has acquired 22 financial advisory firms, making them one of the fastest growing independent wealth and risk management firms in Southwestern Ontario.

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