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Dosher Foundation receives \$30,000 grant from Louis Bacon's Orton Foundation

SOUTHPORT—Dosher Memorial Hospital Foundation has received a \$30,000 grant from The Orton Foundation, the North Carolina affiliate of Louis Bacon's Moore Charitable Foundation, for the hospital's Emergency Department, which treats more than 13,000 patients per year.

"The Orton Foundation recognizes the excellent work that Dosher Memorial Hospital does for the community and has supported us for a total of \$80,000 over the past three years," said Lynda Stanley, Dosher Foundation president. "Generous partners like The Orton Foundation are vital to the success of our hospital in providing critical care services to our patients."

The funds will go toward the purchase of three motorized stretchers for the Emergency Department, which earned two national awards in 2016 for providing high patient satisfaction for two consecutive years.

"We are proud to partner with Dosher Memorial Hospital to provide critical services and improved medical access to the people of North Carolina," said Louis Bacon, Founder and Chairman of The Moore Charitable Foundation and its affiliates.

About Dosher Memorial Hospital

Dosher Memorial Hospital is the only independent critical access hospital in North Carolina. Founded in 2010, the Dosher Hospital Foundation works to improve access to healthcare services for area residents by seeking and allocating philanthropic funds.

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About The Orton Foundation

The Orton Foundation is the North Carolina affiliate of The Moore Charitable Foundation, focused on protecting the Cape Fear River Basin's unique wetlands, lands, forest and wildlife habitats. The Orton Foundation also supports educational and community programs in the region.



From left: Dosher Foundation President Lynda Stanley, Dosher Foundation Board members Clay Fairley and Joyce Johns, Emergency Department Nurse Sara Hesse, Patient Care Director JoAnn Turzer-Commesso, Dosher Foundation Board member Mark Bachara, Emergency Department Medical Director Joseph Hatem, MD, Orton Foundation representative Callie Strickland, Dosher Board Secretary Joe Agovino, Orton Foundation representative Ashley Blazer, Dosher Foundation Board member Carolyn Zarbock, Dosher Board member Rev. Jim White, Dosher Foundation Board Chair Barbara Boland, and Dosher President & CEO Tom Siemers.

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Sara Hesse, RN, Emergency Department, demonstrates the features of one of the high-tech stretchers that includes a scale and adjustable positions via patient remote control.

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