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ELLiot HEALTH SYSTEM DONATES $125,000 TO THE CITY OF MANCheSTER’S NEIGHBORHOOD HEALTH IMPROVEMENT STRATEGY

Beech Street School to get fitness playground and wellness program

MANCHESTER, NH: Elliot Health System proudly announces a partnership with the City of Manchester in support of the Neighborhood Health Improvement Strategy. “We are donating $125,000 to support the establishment of a childhood obesity program at the Beech Street School,” explained Jim Woodward, President & CEO, Elliot Health System. “After reviewing the city’s formal study of the population in our neighborhood and the strategy to involve community partners to help alleviate the serious issues afflicting our local children, we felt this was a necessary step in the right direction,” said Woodward. “One element of our donation will include a fitness playground at the Beech
Street School where we plan to initiate educational programs geared toward children to help inspire healthy physical fitness habits at a young age,” added Woodward.

“Elliot Health System’s gift to the children and families of Manchester truly celebrates the collaborative work behind the Neighborhood Health Improvement Strategy and furthers the City’s goal of creating neighborhoods of opportunity for all residents,” states Mayor Ted Gatsas. “We thank such an influential leader in healthcare for their investment into a healthier future for our community”

Construction of The Beech Street School fitness playground has begun and plans to open the area to children will coincide closely with the start of the school year.

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