

## An Update to Supporters

Every person deserves care, dignity and respect in their final days. Devoted to helping people live fully until they die, Lionel Kelland Hospice is a community-based initiative that will provide high-quality compassionate care for people at the end of life. The Board of Directors for Lionel Kelland Hospice is pleased to provide this update to our supporters.

### There Is an Urgent Need to Transform End of Life Care in Central Newfoundland

Palliative patients who cannot stay at home to die often spend their last days in a hospital bed or in an emergency room. While Lionel Kelland Hospice may be located at some distance from communities such as Springdale or Bay D'Espoir, the home-like environment found there will be far more suited to families spending time with loved ones during their final days. The person dying is almost never the only one affected by their illness and death. Family and dear friends are as well.

### Support Is Growing

The level of passion and support throughout the Central Region for the Hospice project is absolutely incredible.

We are nearing the \$220,000 mark in funds donated by the community. The high level of community support affirms the real need for an end of life care facility in our area. Individuals, businesses, employee groups and community organizations are demonstrating their belief that everyone is entitled to care, dignity and respect in their last days.

We are so grateful to all those who share our commitment to providing quality end of life care. Also, we are thankful to the Presentation Sisters who provided St. Catherine's Centre to develop the Hospice.

The Hospice project is moving forward. We are committed to working with the Provincial Government and other groups in our region to bring the project to successful completion.



# Highlights

- A business plan was submitted to the Department of Health and Community Services in December 2017.
- We have requested that the Province provide funding to help with both the capital costs and with annual operational funding. In other provinces, funding to support hospices is provided by their governments.
- This fall, we will be participating with the Department of Health and Community Services as a needs assessment about end of life care is carried out provincially.
- Premier Dwight Ball visited the site for the Hospice in June, accompanied by Minister Al Hawkins and MHA Jerry Dean. Meetings have been held with other Government officials and the other MHAs of our region.
- An awareness campaign has been launched that will help inform people about the role of



hospice in end of life care. We have a credible presence on Facebook. Please Like and Share.

- Lionel Kelland Hospice became a registered charity. Our registration number is 751237090RR0001. Tax receipts are provided for donations. Donations may now also be made online through our website: **[www.lionelkellandhospice.ca](http://www.lionelkellandhospice.ca)**
- Several community groups have invited us to present information about the Hospice project and we have conducted many tours of the site of the Hospice.

## Our Plans

There is a pressing need for more services and supports for families. Our Board is striving to address that need. We believe that whether or not they are caring for their loved one at home, families need practical, emotional and spiritual support as they live through the difficult time, both before and after loss. We can, and must, do better. Lionel Kelland Hospice will serve the Central Region and offer end of life care in a home-like environment where medical needs are attended to and families are provided with the supports they need. Care will be delivered 24/7 by medical, nursing and palliative care specialists.



# Model Suite

A model suite was created at the Hospice site to demonstrate the type of space that will be available for families to share in the final journey of their loved one.

Each suite will have a sofa bed for family members who just don't want to leave when the time of death nears. Spiritual care and bereavement support will be available for patients and their families. We plan to have 10 suites at the Hospice.



For those of us who have had the privilege of being with a loved one during the last days, hours and moments of life, you truly understand the need... and the hope for Care, Dignity and Respect in the final days.

We are committed to making Lionel Kelland Hospice a reality and are working hard to develop partnerships with government and community groups that will ensure success of the Hospice project.

Our Board members are available to present information to community groups, service organizations and faith groups. To schedule an information session, please email [info@lionelkellandhospice.ca](mailto:info@lionelkellandhospice.ca) or call 709.489.1222.

## Lionel Kelland Hospice Summary of Receipts and Disbursements Cumulative to August 31, 2018

Receipts	\$ 210,002
Disbursements	\$ 36,663
Surplus	\$ 173,339

# Sharon's Story

Hospice care is about options. Options for you and your loved ones at the end of life. At Lionel Kelland Hospice, our goal is to make hospice care available to everyone in Central Newfoundland who needs it. People like Sharon and her mom.

*"Several years ago my mother died of cancer at the age of 47. Fortunately, I was a nurse and was able to care for her in her own home until she died. However, when I undertook this responsibility I did not anticipate the emotional and physical stress that I encountered. Not only did I have the tiring experience of providing full-time care around the clock for my mother, I also had to be attentive to two younger siblings aged 9 and 15. Recently, I visited two hospice centres and witnessed the wonderful care offered to patients and the support provided for families in a quiet, non-institutional setting. How I wish this had been an option when I journeyed with my mother at the end of her life."*

- Sharon

# How You Can Help

Lionel Kelland Hospice will be a peaceful home-like place where those nearing the end of life have the supports they need. You can help by:

- Talking to your family and neighbours about Lionel Kelland Hospice.
- Letting government officials know that you feel creating the Hospice is important.
- Finding us on Facebook and helping us spread the word. Please Like our page and share with your friends.

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# Thank You

Please accept our sincere gratitude for your support to Lionel Kelland Hospice. Together, we can make it happen.

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