

Hospice is for Palliative Patients and Their Families

Devoted to helping people live fully until they die, Lionel Kelland Hospice is opening the door to a new option for end of life care. As their home away from home, it will offer comfort and dignity to palliative patients, and support to those who love them.

Diversity, personal beliefs, and preferences will all be celebrated.

Each patient will have his/her own light-filled room featuring comfortable furnishings and a private bathroom. For those being cared for at the Hospice, an interdisciplinary team will deliver the best in medical, emotional, and spiritual support.



Recognition in House of Assembly

On November 18, Lionel Kelland Hospice's Board of Directors and the Presentation Sisters were recognized in the House of Assembly by the MHA for Grand Falls-Windsor-Buchans, for their commitment to making the Hospice Project a reality. We are so humbled and grateful to MHA Chris Tibbs for his work on behalf of Lionel Kelland Hospice.

Our Mission

The mission of Lionel Kelland Hospice is to enhance the quality of life for individuals and their families dealing with progressive illness, death and bereavement through compassionate and holistic care.

Community and Government Come Together for Hospice

Commitment from the Provincial Government for the \$3 million in capital funding and \$1.3 million for annual operations funding came in May and since then, we have been building a partnership with the Department of Health and Community Services and Central Health. Our joint goal is to ensure that the province's first community-based residential hospice is the best it can possibly be.

On November 8, we were joined by the Honourable John Haggie, Minister of Health and Community Services and Andrée Robichaud, CEO of Central Health to announce that the design work was about to begin on our 10-bed hospice.

Minister Haggie said, "The Lionel Kelland Hospice is a perfect example of the good things that can happen when people in the community and government come together for a good cause. Hats off to the Board and the Presentation Sisters for their vision and



leadership, and to the municipalities in the region for their support. Much credit is due to the Rotary Club of Exploits and other regional community groups for spearheading fundraising initiatives."

After proposals have been reviewed and the contract is awarded, the architectural work on Presentation Centre will begin. Design of the Hospice will meet the highest standards and we expect it to be completed by early 2020. Then, we move on to the construction phase which will likely take 10 to 12 months.



Christmas at Hospice Renfrew, Ontario

There are 100 community-based residential hospices in Canada and there are countless stories from family members about how hospice helped them when they were at their most vulnerable. This story is from Hospice Renfrew in Ontario.

"The staff offered to set up a table and chairs so that our children and grandchildren, all ten of us in total, could have

Christmas dinner together. We were so looking forward to this. We knew this would be Glen's last but we wanted to make it special for him. Alas, that was not to be.

When the family arrived, Glen was already failing. I called for our children and grandchildren to come to be with Glen in his last hours. Mysteriously, a single deer looked into the window that afternoon but Glen could not see it. Did she know he was dying? When he breathed his last breath the hospice staff was there for us. In silent comfort they understood our need to grieve but were there for us to lean on them for strength.

Our family is grateful that Glen's last days were "quality days." We thank the staff, the volunteers and the generous giving of donations from the public and businesses that keep Hospice Renfrew doors open to those in need. God bless you all."

- Glen's wife, Hospice Renfrew

Thank You, Every Dollar Helps

The community support came early to help create a special place for those nearing the end of life and it continues to grow. Funds are required for the construction of the Hospice and to assist with annual operations costs once it opens. Without doubt, ongoing fundraising is critical to our continued success.

We are so thankful for the individuals and community groups who are helping to create the Hospice. Hundreds of people have made thoughtful In Memory donations and we have benefitted from many fundraising events held throughout the region. We are grateful to the many people who hosted events and to all those who support Lionel Kelland Hospice. To date, more than \$880,000 has been raised. Every dollar brings us closer to opening the doors of the Hospice.

Furniture from Presentation Centre Helps Others

Presentation Centre has been cleared of most of the contents. We are happy to report that furniture that will not be used by Lionel Kelland Hospice is going to people who need it. We are grateful to Windsor Pentecostal Church "Homes Helping Homes" furniture bank who ensured that individuals and families in the region who are in need will get help with the basics.



How You Can Help

Donate - All donations are eligible for a tax receipt. Make secure online donations at our website at www.lionelkellandhospice.ca. By mail, you may send your donation to the address below.

Donate Your Recyclables - You can take care of the planet and help build the Hospice by donating your items to our account at the Green Depot in Grand Falls-Windsor.

Facebook - Keep up to date on everything that's happening by following us on Facebook.

Wondering about Volunteering at Hospice?

When the Hospice opens, volunteers will help in many ways. Although we are not quite ready to recruit volunteers yet, when we are ready, we will advertise publicly. We are now in the process of identifying program areas needing volunteers. For those interested in volunteering, the process will be quite similar to that of other community organizations. Interested persons will complete a detailed application form. Applicants will go through a screening and interview process. Both criminal records and vulnerable sector checks will be required and references will be provided by applicants. Efforts will be made to match the needs of the Hospice with the interest and aptitude of the volunteer. All recruited volunteers will undergo an extensive training process. You'll hear more about volunteering in 2020.



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