

# NEWSLETTER

## Bringing Hospice Palliative Care to the Quinte Region



Rendering created by +VG Architects

The Centre will be conveniently located between Belleville and Quinte West, on a 3-acre property across from Bayside Secondary School. The building will be strategically positioned to maximize the greenspace that will enhance the peaceful and home-like environment. The Centre's design will accommodate a future expansion to 10 beds.



Mitch Panciuk, Mayor of Belleville, Jennifer May-Anderson, Executive Director of Hospice Quinte, Jim Harrison, Mayor of Quinte West

### The new Hospice Quinte Care Centre

Hospice palliative care is a special kind of health care for those who are in the advanced stages of a life-limiting illness, where the goal is to provide comfort and dignity, and the best quality of life for them and their family. For over 10 years, Hospice Quinte has been planning to expand our services and address the critical need for a community-based hospice care centre within our service area where we can provide this unique level of care.

To bring this vision to reality, we have launched our \$9.5M *Heart & Home Building Campaign* to support the construction of the new 10,796 square foot, 6-bed Hospice Quinte Care Centre. The Centre will be a place where individuals can spend their final days with family and friends, in a safe, comfortable, quiet and welcoming environment that feels as close to home as possible. Professional care will be provided 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and at no cost to the family or individual. Watch for more details of the new Hospice Quinte Care Centre in future newsletters!

The *Heart & Home Building Campaign* has already garnered encouraging early support, including the generous donation of property and \$1M by the City of Quinte West, \$1M by the City of Belleville, \$1.2M in funding from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and \$75,000 from Tyendinaga Township. As we move into a very exciting time in our history, we are confident that with the community's support, we will reach our destination, together.



Ross McDougall



John Williams

## Meet our Campaign Co-Chairs!

We are excited to announce our Co-Chairs for the *Heart & Home Building Campaign* – Ross McDougall, McDougall Insurance and John Williams, Williams Hotels. Ross and John have been involved in numerous charitable and community-centred initiatives throughout the region, and have joined this campaign because they believe strongly in the need for the Hospice Quinte Care Centre for our community. Ross and John want to ensure the Centre will be there for you and your loved ones when needed. We wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to them both for their commitment to Hospice Quinte and the future of hospice palliative care in our region.

## National Hospice Palliative Care Week 2019

May 5-11, 2019 marks National Hospice Palliative Care Week in Canada, and is a time to inform, celebrate and share achievements of hospice palliative care throughout the nation. Did you know that 40% of Hospice Quinte's clients are below the age of 65? Hospice care isn't only for 'old people'. Hospice Quinte's service area includes Belleville, Quinte West, Tyendinaga Township, Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory and Deseronto. Our 131 valued volunteers help make this all possible!



### Hospice treated our family with dignity and respect

"The loss of a loved one is one of the most difficult times in any person's life. Hospice gave my family the opportunity to relieve the everyday stresses of the unknowns in our journey to the end of my Mom's life. They granted our family the opportunity to peacefully spend the last few days together in a very serene atmosphere.

Unfortunately, my family had to travel out of town for my Mom to receive hospice care. We greatly need a hospice in Quinte so families have access to the same level of exceptional care, close to home."

**Richard Anderson & Family**

### SHARE YOUR STORY

We would love for you to share your story through email, Facebook or Twitter about how Hospice Quinte helped you, your loved one and your family.

If you are interested in learning more about the campaign, or would like to get involved, we would enjoy having you along with us on this exciting journey.

Please help us spread the word about the new Hospice Quinte Care Centre by sharing this newsletter with a friend or family.



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