### — Your Dundas Manor Dream -

NOTHING FEELS AS GOOD AS HOME



Fall 2022

# A Welcome Sign!



I can't tell you how excited I was to see the giant billboard signs go up in our empty lot next door. The message is clear and very welcome: "This is the future site of the *New Dundas Manor*!"

Planning for the new Dundas Manor has been underway for some time and it's encouraging to see that we are getting closer to shovels in the ground. It will be a new and beautiful home for our beloved residents – with larger rooms and more privacy, lovely sunrooms and patios, home kitchens and big dining rooms to gather for special events. I'm excited for our team as well! They will have a much brighter, larger home to work in, allowing us to care for our residents in a whole new way.

The grand opening will be an amazing day! Residents look forward to the spa room for bathing, more space for comfy chairs in their room, less worry of disturbing their roommate if they watch movies late into the night and a room with a window view!

Thank you to everyone who is part of our dream. I'm honoured to be part of it too. Time and time again, I have witnessed such support to our residents, home, and team, and I know that support will continue. We are one step closer because of you!

Jennifer

Jennifer Hill

Activity Program & Services Director and Volunteer Campaign Cabinet Member



## Planning Continues!

You may have seen some articles in the local papers and The Ottawa Citizen about the new Dundas Manor. "We've been out and about talking about Dundas Manor and the need to build a new home for our residents and community," explains CEO Cholly Boland. "We've also been working closely with the government, asking for more funding support due to the rising construction costs."

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care will fund some of the cost of the new home, but not all of it. That's where our community comes in. Our community cares about Dundas Manor and we are grateful for your support. For almost 45 years, Dundas Manor has been keeping families together - even though they are living apart. It is truly a gift to our community. Care close to home really does make a difference in our wellbeing, healing, and overall happiness. Together, we will build the new Dundas Manor.

In this issue, we're pleased to share some updated pictures of the resident bedrooms in the new home. These renderings give you a great sense of what each room will look as each resident makes it their own - with their own furnishings and precious belongings.





### Come for a Tour

To really appreciate the beautiful new rooms, we want to show you the current ones – in person and with your own eyes. We want to show you what you and your gift are going to change. And we are excited for you to meet some of our residents, staff, and volunteers. If you would like to book your tour right away, please reach out to Cindy Ault Peters at 343-572-6345.

Please note there are still some restrictions in place at Dundas Manor. You must show proof of double vaccination and must successfully pass a screening questionnaire. An approved mask is required. You will also be given a nasal swab. Results typically take 15 minutes.

## Why I'm Giving!

We are so grateful to everyone who has donated to the Expanding the Circle of Compassionate Care campaign to date. We love hearing your stories and finding out what inspired you to donate. David and Sandra Fawcett recently shared why they are supporting the campaign.

### **DONOR SPOTLIGHT**

We felt it important to contribute to the building of the new Dundas Manor at this point in our lives, especially as a new home is so badly needed. It is our hope that it might encourage others to donate, as it is local, and may well be needed by others in the community at some point in their lives.

David and Sandra Fawcett

## Happiness and Joy

We are still celebrating a wonderful summer and fall at Dundas Manor – from backyard BBQs to bike rides. Here are a few snapshots! Residents and staff will keep these memories close to their hearts as they get ready for cooler weather and more celebrations as we move into the festive season. Here are a few snapshots from the past few weeks.









## Thank You to Our Cabinet

The Campaign Cabinet is a group of committed community volunteers who are helping to raise awareness and the necessary funds to build the new Dundas Manor. Thank you to this amazing team for sharing your time, expertise, and passion!

LAURIE MCELHERAN, CO-CHAIR
NANCY FARLEY-HOLMES, CO-CHAIR
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ELIZABETH HOWARTH, SECRETARY
DALTON CARR
WAYNE DOMANKO
JOAN FARLINGER
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### Meet Our Team

Our volunteer Campaign Cabinet members are passionate about their community and Dundas Manor. Here's your chance to meet one of them! We asked **Lisa Little** to share her story:



#### Where do you live?

Just outside Winchester, but I grew up in Chesterville since I was 10 years old.

#### What is your connection with Dundas Manor or local health care?

There are several connections: I am a RN and wanted to give back to my community in my area of expertise, so I joined the WDMH Board years ago and served 9 years, including as Board Chair. I was one of the original Rural Health Innovations/Dundas Manor Board members, including serving as Board Chair. My mother was a resident at Dundas Manor for 4 years and I visited there almost every single day, several times a day.

#### Why did you join the campaign cabinet?

I wanted to help make the new Dundas Manor a reality. I have a passion for the place and seniors who live there. I hope I can inspire others to share my passion and support the new home.

#### What is your main message?

Our seniors and family members who have supported us all these years should be able to live in a physical space that provides them with beautiful surroundings, privacy, respect and the dignity they deserve. This is their home! And one day it may very likely be our home!

#### What will you do on opening day?

Take the time to walk around the entire home and take it all in. Talk and listen to residents to hear their reactions and see their joy.

### Let's Keep the Conversation Going

We want to keep you up to date with future issues of Your Dundas Manor Dream.

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