



HOSPICE PETERBOROUGH
CARE CENTRE

January 5, 2015

Daryl Bennett
c/o City Hall
500 George Street North
Peterborough, ON K9H 3R9


Dear Mayor Bennett:

Re: Hospice Peterborough

On January 13, 2015 we will be making a presentation to the Budget Committee outlining plans for the relocation of Hospice's present facilities and construction of a new Hospice Care Centre on London Street. During that presentation we will be asking City Council to consider providing financial support to this project, in the amount of \$1.5M to be paid \$500,000 per year over 3 years, commencing in 2016.

For over 25 years, Hospice Peterborough has provided programs and services to our community and county to assist individuals and families through end of life experiences, life threatening illnesses and the bereavement process. As demographics continue to change, and with a growing aged population, Hospice Peterborough has seen the demand for services grow. Currently, we offer more than 20 programs and services at no charge to our clients. Since inception, Hospice Peterborough has experienced a tremendous increase in the number of clients served. The 2013/14 fiscal year was our most active year yet, during which we experienced a 22% increase in referrals.

For nine years Hospice Peterborough has had a vision of providing hospice care in a home-like setting. This vision is in keeping with both provincial and federal governments' strong desire to improve end-of-life care. After completing a strategic plan, community assessment, site design and other reviews, Hospice Peterborough purchased the historical Langton House at 325 London Street, from the City of Peterborough in 2012. Hospice Peterborough will renovate the existing building to accommodate expanded programming and office space. It will construct a private 10-bed hospice care centre welcoming visitors and families, both young and old, as active participants in end of life care.

Currently, there are 26 residential hospices in Ontario but none in the Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) catchment area which stretches from Victoria Park (Scarborough) to Algonquin Park. **Hospice Peterborough will be the first hospice care centre within the Central East LHIN, serving 135,000 people and their families in**

the City and County of Peterborough. Given the demographics of our city, designated the oldest in the country, a new option for end-of-life care is urgently required.

Ministry of Health funding covers only a portion of the operating costs of a hospice care centre and provides no capital support for construction and infrastructure. The Hospice Peterborough project will be achieved by community resources through a capital campaign of approximately \$6.5 Million to both build the facility and provide a sustaining reserve toward operational expenses.

Since the launch of our campaign in June 2014, we have secured 100% Board, Campaign Cabinet and Staff support toward our campaign goal. Additionally, we are working with individual and corporate leaders. At this time, the "Every Moment Matters" Campaign is expected to reach 50% of goal by the end of the 1st quarter, 2015.

We now seek support and investment beyond the Hospice family and its leadership donors to realize this community asset. Municipal governments have, without fail, been active participants and contributors to Hospice Care Centre projects undertaken throughout Ontario. We respectfully ask that City of Peterborough Council Members consider being a partner in the Hospice Care Centre through this investment. In advance of our presentation on January 13th, we are enclosing project and campaign information for your review and consideration. Included with this letter are the following attachments:

- Lett Architects Inc. Concept Design Study
- Campaign Case for Support
- FAQ's
- Named Opportunities
- Globe & Mail Article (December 23, 2014)
- Attorney General's Report (page 12)
- Statistical information on utilization for City and County of Peterborough

Thanking you, we remain,

Yours very truly,



Bill Lockington, Campaign Cabinet
Government Division Chair



Betty Morris, Campaign Chair
Campaign Chair

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Enclosures

cc: Brian Horton, CAO, City of Peterborough ✓
City of Peterborough Mayor & Councillors