

Elmwood Residences Inc. The Future Focus Issue #3 July 2022



## WELCOME

Welcome to **The Future Focus**, a quarterly newsletter, highlighting key updates on the Manor Transition Initiative.



COMMUNICATE

Sharing important information and progress updates on the

Manor Transition Initiative

focused on building

knowledge and understanding

# ENGAGE

Facilitate opportunities for engagement on key elements of the initiative to ensure your feedback is heard and brought to life throughout the project

## ACHIEVE

Deliver on our collective vision to support the residents of today, while preparing for the residents of tomorrow







### **Resident Groupings:**

A Resident First Approach was used in determining resident groupings with included ongoing discussions with the Resident Supports Team, consideration of natural relationships, engaging residents in 1:1 conversations regarding room mate preferences, balancing both physical and emotional needs and the locations of the homes in proximity to families and services residents currently utilize.

Although groupings for the first 4 homes are now determined, ongoing discussion will continue as they could be subject to change as we move through the transition.

### Where we are at: Tendering Process

As the first 4 homes have been approved, the final design of these homes are now complete, we are awaiting confirmation of tendering from CLSD. Once posted for approximetely 1 month, tenders will be awarded and we will begin to see our new homes become a reality!

# How can YOU get involved? ALL Family Members are Welcome to Participate!

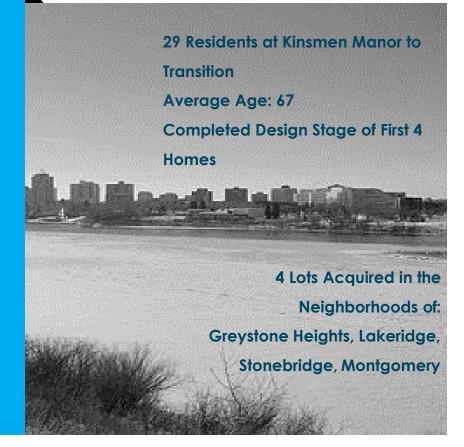
Starting this fall, family members will be encouraged to volunteer for any, or all, of these groups to help ensure that feedback is received and utilized to support the success of the transition. These Engagement Groups will be facilitated on a quarterly basis on the following schedule:

- Health and Wellness: September 2022
- Transportation: October 2022
- **Community Inclusion Opportunities (External):** November 2022
- Programming and Socialization Opportunities (Internal): January 2023

We encourage you to reach out to Linda @ (306) 241-7228 for more information!



# Current Initiative Snapshot



## Resident, Family and Team Member Engagement **UPDATE**

Since the last issue of the Future Focus, Linda Boyko, Elmwood's Manor Transition Project Specialist has been actively engaging residents, families, and team members with updates on the first 4 homes as part of the transition initiative. **These updates include**:

- Resident Engagement- With the goal to support and facilitate meaningful connections with residents while taking a Person-Centred approach, residents of houses 1-4 have been engaged in 1:1 conversations where updates have been communicated. These conversations have taken place using an individualized and thoughtful approach unique to each individual to ensure information is both shared and understood. Resident updates included home location/address, room mate pairings and timeframes.
- **Family Engagement** With the goal of engaging families of the residents of the first four homes, calls were made to inform families that residents would be actively engaged and provided an update on their new homes. Updates included room mate selections, timeframes, and home locations. As part of these calls, the tentative tendering process and timeframes were shared.
- Team Member Engagement- As Team Members play an integral role in supporting the residents of Kinsmen Manor on their transition journey, they were engaged on a weekly basis and provided updates on the first four approved homes throughout June. Team Members were shared the same information as residents and families to ensure consistent messaging was received.



Are you curious about something related to the Manor Transition? If so, please reach out to Linda at (306) 241-7228 or via email at <a href="https://www.ubeveccommons.com">boyko@elmwoodyxe.ca</a>. We would love to hear from you and answer questions you may have!

## Key UPDATES from the Roundtable Include:

The Family Roundtable held on **May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022**, was well attended by 22 Elmwood family members, members of the Board of Directors, Elmwood Leadership, representatives from the Ministry of Social Services- Community Living Services Delivery and a representative from Inclusion Saskatchewan.

- A presentation and update included:
  - **Capital Developments** including the funding in place for the first 4 homes which are in the final design stage, locations of the first 4 homes, general design plans and approximate sizes of these homes.
  - Resident and Family Engagement including the plan for how to meaningfully engage residents, family members and Team Members over the coming months to ensure consistency in messaging and information.
  - Outcomes and Evaluation of the Transition Initiative which is a partnership between the Community- University Institute for Social Research (CUISR). This study has been made possible with funding approved to conduct the study over the course of the initiative.
  - **Time frames** for Community Homes #1- 4to become operational by late 2023 to early 2024.

The Roundtable included the opportunity for family members to ask questions, provide feedback and inquire about the Transition Initiative.

### Highlights of the General discussion included:

- Capacity of Elmwood's existing Community Homes
- Future of Kinsmen Manor and McNeil Fitness Center
- Family Engagement regarding resident groupings
- **Recreational opportunities** in new homes
- Order in which residents will transition
- **Nursing** and health related supports and increasing needs of residents as they age.

## Did you **know**? Community Association UPDATE

As residents plan to become part of their new communities, we want to ensure that community members in the neighborhoods of the first 4 homes have awareness of Elmwood, the great individuals we support, and the new Community Homes being developed as part of these neighborhoods. As part of Elmwood's commitment to a successful transition, we have engaged with 3 of the 4 Community Associations by attending monthly meetings. Plans to attend the 4<sup>th</sup> Community Association meeting is underway!



# Did you know? CUISR UPDATE

As Elmwood has partnered with the Community— University for Social Research (CUISR) at the University of Saskatchewan, we have completed all necessary documents and tools that form part of the Ehtics Committee's application process. Through the summer, this application will be reviewed as the next step in proceeding with the study. Stay tuned for more information regarding the start of this study as we embark on this exciting initiative!

