



Elmwood Residences Inc.
The Future Focus
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COMMUNICATE

Sharing important information and progress updates on the Manor Transition Initiative focused on building knowledge and understanding



WELCOME

We know that change can be scary, and we all have many questions about the Manor Transition Initiative. Welcome to **The Future Focus**, a quarterly newsletter highlighting key updates on the Manor Transition Initiative.



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ENGAGE

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



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ACHIEVE

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



CONSTRUCTION

Update

Construction Update

- Construction at 2920 14th Street is now complete! Elmwood is working in collaboration with the Ministry of Social Services- Community Living Services Delivery (CLSD) and the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation (SHC) in finalizing the Operational Contract and Lease Agreement. Once these are in place, possession of the home will take place!
- We are excited to share that construction of the fourth Transition Home located at 3204 Mountbatten Street has officially begun! It is anticipated that this home will open in late 2024.

Preparing for Home Openings

As part of the next phases of the Initiative, Elmwood, CLSD and SHC are now preparing for Community Home openings through the following processes:

- Operational Budget Approvals
- Operational Contract Signing
- Lease Development and Signing
- Recruitment of Team Members and Training/Onboarding
- Making a House a Home - Purchasing Furnishing and Equipment for Homes
- Inspections and Licensing
- Individualized Transition Planning for/with Residents
- Home Opening

Residents and Family Members specifically impacted will be engaged throughout these processes through Linda Boyko, Manor Transition Project Specialist for Elmwood Residences Inc.

Program Planning

- Elmwood's Operations Team has now completed the (3) Program Plans focused on the areas of Health and Wellness, Transportation and Community Inclusion and Programming and Socialization. Now that these Plans are in place, families who participated in the Family Engagement Groups will now be re- engaged to provide feedback.

Budget Update

- The start- up budgets for Transition Homes #1- 3 have been determined and submitted to the Ministry of Social Services- Community Living Services (CLSD) for approval. The budget for House #1 has been approved with the anticipation that the remaining 2 will be approved in the coming weeks. Once approvals are in place, residents can begin shopping for the items to make their house a home!

Recruitment Update

Previously, we had announced that Jennifer Rossen was appointed to the role of Community Home Coordinator (CHC) for 2920 14th Street. However, since then Elmwood's Leadership Team has made some changes to the CHC Team with a focus on how to best provide support to both residents and Team Members. We are happy to share that Jennifer, has been appointed to 2 existing Community Homes where her extensive experience will be beneficial to resident care and support. We are happy to share that Julian Hendrickson has been appointed as the Community Home Coordinator (CHC) for 2920 14th Street. Julian previously held roles as Support Worker in the Community Homes and more recently, was a part of the Recreation and Community Inclusion Team. We are excited to have Julian as part of the new home opening and supporting residents with their transition. Welcome Julian!

Recruitment is underway for Transition House #1, 2920 14th Street. In early September the positions for this home were posted as per the Collective Agreements and Workplace Adjustment Plan. We are very happy to share that most of these positions were appointed as part of this process and several Kinsmen Manor Team Members are going to make the transition to 14th Street upon its opening. This is very positive as this supports continuity of care of residents.



Current Initiative Snapshot

24 Residents at Kinsmen Manor

Average Resident Age: 68

·2920 - 14th Street East
Construction Completed/Signing of Operational
Contract and Lease in Progress

·706 Brightsand Crescent
Under Construction/Nearing Completion

·103 Holmes Crescent
Under Construction/Nearing Completion

·3204 Mountbatten Street
Construction Commenced Sept. 2023

Awaiting Funding Approval for Community Homes
#5 & #6 to Complete Initiative

Engagement Update

Since the last issue of the Future Focus, Elmwood has continued to actively engage residents, families, and Team Members with updates on the initiative.

- Resident Engagement - Residents of Manor Transition Initiative Community Homes 1, 2 and 3 have been engaged through one-on-one discussions to make them aware of what stage of construction their homes are in.
 - Our Road to Home vision board continues to be utilized with residents in supporting their understanding of the construction process and stages of development.
 - My Manor Transition Story is currently in development for residents who will move into the 4 new Community Homes currently under construction. These individualized stories include each resident's personal story and will support their understanding of their unique journey.
 - Greystone Heights Block Party was enjoyed by residents of 2920 14th Street on September 9th. This was a great opportunity for residents and community alike to meet one another and become more familiar with who Elmwood is and the great individuals that will call this community home.
 - Making our House a Home as residents of 2920 14th Street and 706 Brightsand Crescent recently enjoyed an afternoon of shopping to purchase furniture and select household and decorative items for their new home.
- Family Engagement – Families of the first four Community Homes continue to be provided updates on the construction of homes. Once the construction of Community Homes 1, 2, and 3, is completed, the Manor Transition Project Specialist will engage each family member/next-of-kin/advocate as to projected process and timeframes for home openings. As construction of House #4 (3204 Mountbatten Street) has now commenced, these families/next-of kin have been contacted and provided an update.
- Team Member Engagement – All Kinsmen Manor Team Members continue to be provided a weekly update on the Manor Transition Initiative. These updates include both written and in-person updates. Written updates include updated pictures of the homes under construction. As homes are completed, increased engagement will be planned to ensure that Team Members have the most up to date information and time frames.
- Community Engagement- The Manor Transition Project Specialist is currently re- engaging with the 4 Community Associations in the areas where homes are under construction. Initial engagement took place in the fall of 2022 to make these communities aware of Elmwood's plans to become part of their community. Now that construction is nearing completion for 3 of the Transition Homes, and construction has commenced on the 4th home, it is beneficial to re- engage and provide an update.



Evaluation Update

- Elmwood has partnered with the Community-University Institute for Social Research (CUISR) to evaluate the quality-of-life impacts for individuals who are part of the Manor Transition Initiative. This partnership has been made possible due to funding provided by the Ministry of Social Services - Community Living Service Delivery (CLSD).
- The initial interviews of the resident portion of the study are now completed.
- To ensure that residents could meaningfully participate and were supported in their interview, residents had either the support of a legal guardian, next-of-kin, or an advocate.
- A preliminary report of findings is being compiled by CUISR and will serve as the benchmark for the quality-of-life study for the Manor Transition Initiative.

You are invited!

Family Engagement Roundtable

Come one, come all! ALL family members are welcome and encouraged to attend the Family Roundtable to be updated on all happenings at Elmwood. The next Family Roundtable has been scheduled for **Wednesday, October 25th @ 7:00 P.M.** via Zoom. The Roundtable will be expanded to include key updates for all of Elmwood, including the Manor Transition Initiative, existing Community Homes, Supportive Independent Living Program and Community Inclusion Programming.

If you would like to attend, please send your RSVP to Linda Boyko, Manor Transition Project Specialist at lboyko@elmwoodyxe.ca or by phone @ (306) 241- 7228.



Did you Know?

·Minutes from previous Family Roundtables can be located under the Resource Section of Elmwood's website at www.elmwoodyxe.ca

·If you have questions, or would like information on the Transition Initiative, please reach out to Linda Boyko at lboyko@elmwoodyxe.ca or by calling (306) 241- 7228.