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Personal Care Home Campaign Rosthern



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We are very excited to be announcing our "Close to Home" Capital Campaign for our Personal Care Home and Chapel. A long time has passed since the planning process began and now we are able to offer a care solution for residents falling into the gap between Pineview Manor (assisted living) which is not enough assistance, and the Mennonite Nursing Home (long term care) which is more assistance than required. The Personal Care Home will be "just right." Many times staff have been called to emergencies in Pineview Manor to help a resident who is struggling with a health concern or has fallen--often being a resident that could benefit living in a Personal Care Home.

This Personal Care Home, licensed by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health, will be providing the following services: 24-hour caregiving, assisting with personal care, administering medications, serving meals, and having meaningful activities. This home will welcome people moving from Country Gardens, Pineview Manor, and the surrounding communities.

This is about growing the community we already have by providing all the resident needs "Close to Home".

The Personal Care Home will be attached to Pineview Manor allowing many shared services with the existing structure. Building a chapel at the same time as the Personal Care Home will further enhance the quality of life for our residents, families, and staff in a faith-based home. Those living in the Personal Care Home will be encouraged to interact with other residents living in Country Gardens, Pineview Manor, and the Mennonite Nursing Home.

This is a very exciting adventure as we continue to "Serve God by Serving Others". We have seen the needs first-hand as we look to Pineview Manor (assisted living), the community, and now we are aligning ourselves once again to serve those in need. God continues to Bless the Mennonite Youth Farm Complex as we continue to serve Him.



"We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28

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"You have these people living at risk in inappropriate placements or forced to move to Prince Albert or Saskatoon. It's pretty hard to tell somebody who grew up here and has friends here that they have to move because there's no appropriate care."

-- Dr. Linda Baker, retired family physician

#### Making Tough Choices

The personal care home will provide assistance to seniors requiring light and intermediate care, which will include--healthy meals, baths, medication assistance, a supportive caregiver 24/7 and daily activities. Without the access to a personal care home seniors are forced to make tough choices:

- continue living at risk in their present home with inadequate care
- upset their lives by moving to an unfamiliar new community
- disrupt the daily life of loved ones by having them serve as live-in caregivers

While Rosthern has other levels of seniors housing, the current gap in residential care creates distress for seniors, their family, friends, and others in the community.

### **Building Hope Close to Home**

Seniors needing more support than assisted living and less than provided in a nursing home face daily challenges. They struggle to make meals or take their medications safely, and fear a fall will leave them injured and alone. Some are at risk of getting lost if they wander from familiar surroundings.



Their families and friends worry knowing the risks they face. Staying over night or having generations live together may create other stresses.

The distress spreads within the community, when neighbours are called on in an emergency.

Moving to another community, the only solution currently, could be devastating. Seniors grow unsettled, confused and lonely in an unfamiliar community.

The personal care home can alleviate sad and unfortunate living situations by offering an alternative way for seniors to live. These are people who have helped build Rosthern and the surrounding communities who deserve our support and respect.

#### **Providing Exceptional Care**

The Mennonite Youth Farm Complex has a long history of providing excellent residential care for seniors.

One visitor recalls seeing a compassionate caregiver calm an upset resident of the nursing home by bending over and giving her a hug, while singing softly and gently in her ear.

Another time a considerate employee saw residents watching big fluffy snowflakes falling outside, so filled a basin with snow and invited them to enjoy making miniature snowmen on a table indoors.

Caring actions are woven into the culture of the Mennonite Nursing Home, and this will be as evident in the new personal care home.



Volunteers are an integral part of life at the complex.



### **Welcoming Surroundings**

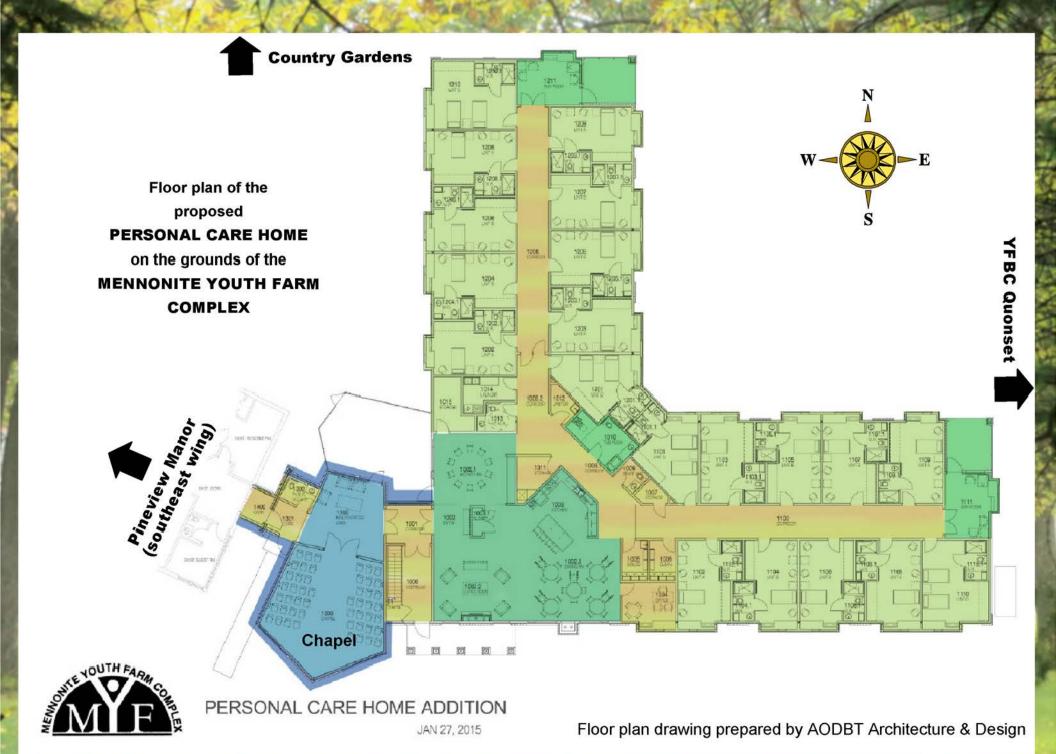
Plans for the new personal care residence are based on a 2016 open concept style home as compared to a traditional institutional setting.

Big bright windows and sunrooms with full glass walls bring natural light and views of the park-like setting indoors. A patio and secure courtyard enable residents and their visitors to stroll outdoors.



Each of the 20 resident rooms will have a private bathroom, which goes beyond provincial standards. Individual living spaces also feature easily accessible storage, along with built-in storage and a desk.

Other features of the care home include a large, welcoming kitchen with an island, a dining room, and a warm stone fireplace in a relaxing living room. There will be brightly lit hallways that are carpeted, providing a quiet homey atmosphere.



#### **Enhancing Lives**

Having a caregiver nearby 24/7 provides much needed reassurance to seniors as well as their family and friends. Safety will be strengthened with home security to protect residents who wander.

Residents will no longer face the challenge of making nutritious meals or remembering to take their medications, both of which impact their health.

Social interaction and interesting activities, sometimes involving their neighbours in other levels of seniors housing on the grounds, will alleviate loneliness and boredom.

When the personal care home is built, the Board of Directors of the Mennonite Youth Farm Complex will assess the affordability and ability of the residents to pay the appropriate fees.



# Comforting Spiritual Care The Chapel

The caring essence of faith will deepen with the building of a chapel for use by all seniors living on the grounds. The chapel will serve as a place for residents to celebrate their varied faiths, sit and reflect, or seek peace and comfort with their families, friends, and staff.

The design of the chapel will seat about 40 people.





"And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4:19

## **Fulfilling Needs**

Access to 24/7 residential care close to home is the best option for all involved.

Building a personal care home at Rosthern will lift a burden off the shoulders of seniors with declining health and mobility. Increased safety and quality of life within a warm, caring environment will bring relief to families and friends.

The new home will be open to all people regardless of ethnic, religious, or national background. It will be operated by the Mennonite Youth Farm Complex which already provides independent living apartments (Country Gardens), assisted living suites (Pineview Manor), and long term care (Mennonite Nursing Home) on the same peaceful grounds.

"Our family caring for those who once cared for us is one of the greatest honors."

Joan Lemauviel



Prayer changes things!



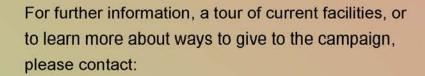
#### **Inviting Your Support**

Building the first non-profit personal care home in Rosthern will meet care needs of our seniors and also greatly enrich the quality of their lives and those of their families. Our vision is to offer an inviting, safe and comfortable home that enables our residents to live full and abundant lives within a Christian atmosphere and be surrounded by people who care--our family caring for yours.



The personal care home will be funded by a combination of a mortgage, Mennonite Youth Farm Complex reserves and the campaign goal of \$1.5M. Our goal and prayer is to begin construction the Spring of 2017.

We invite you to join us in making the new personal care home a reality for seniors in our communities.



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