

THERE IS AN URGENT NEED FOR A RESIDENTIAL HOSPICE IN MARKHAM!

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“Making Markham an Age-Friendly Community!”

- Markham’s Older Adult Strategy 2017

WHAT IS A HOSPICE?

- Hospice provides palliative care.
- It is aimed at improving the quality of life for persons who are living with, and dying from, advanced illness.
- It also provides service to family and friends.
- Hospice palliative care can be delivered:
 - in a hospital
 - in the community through an outpatient, or visiting service
 - in a residential hospice within a supervised environment.
- A residential hospice:
 - is a healthcare facility
 - is a registered charity
 - provides palliative care services 24/7 in a home-like setting at no cost to the user.



Markham does NOT have a residential hospice!

PALLIATIVE CARE AVAILABILITY IN YORK REGION

FACILITY	LOCATION	# OF BEDS
ACUTE PALLIATIVE CARE		
1. Mackenzie Health Centre	Richmond Hill	14
2. Markham-Stouffville Hospital	Markham	13
3. Southlake Regional Health Centre	Newmarket	9
RESIDENTIAL		
1. Hill House Hospice	Richmond Hill	3
2. Hospice Vaughan (<i>Under Construction</i>)	Vaughan	10
3. Margaret Bahen Hospice	Newmarket	10
COMMUNITY OUTREACH		
1. Doane House	Newmarket	-
2. Evergreen	Markham	-
3. Hope House	King / Aurora / Richmond Hill	-
4. Hospice Georgina	Sutton	-

THE NEED FOR A RESIDENTIAL HOSPICE IN MARKHAM

- The Ministry of Health and Long Term Care has residential hospice guidelines for every municipality.
- Markham should have 23 residential hospice beds in addition to the existing beds in Markham-Stouffville Hospital (MSH).
- By 2031, based on population growth projections, Markham should have up to 35 residential hospice beds in addition to the existing beds in MSH.



REQUIRED NUMBER OF PALLIATIVE BEDS

STANDARD CALCULATION						
	MARKHAM			YORK REGION		
	Total	Residential Hospice	Acute Palliative	Total	Residential Hospice	Acute Palliative
Based on 2016 Census	32	23	9	107	75	32
Projected 2031 Census	41	29	12	143	101	42

The standard calculation is based on beds being 70% hospice, 30% acute.

ALTERNATIVE CALCULATION (Projected – 2031 census)						
Low (7 Beds)	30	24	6	105	84	21
High (10 Beds)	43	35	8	149	120	29

The alternative calculation is based on beds being 80% hospice, 20% acute.

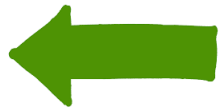
WHAT ARE THE BASIC REQUIREMENTS?

- Leading practices show that creating a 'home-like' environment is most desirable. Smaller residential hospice facilities, 10 to 20 beds, are ideal.
- Parking for staff and visitors, possibly below grade. Approximately 20 to 40 spaces are needed depending on the number of beds.
- Access to public transit.



ESTIMATED SPACE REQUIREMENT

PURPOSE	10 BEDS		20 BEDS	
	Sq.m.	Sq.ft.	Sq.m.	Sq.ft.
Bedrooms with ensuite bathroom facilities	320	3,444	640	6,889
Common and family areas	175	1,884	350	3,767
Overnight capacity for family members	65	700	130	1,399
Infrastructure needs (kitchen, supplies, nursing stations, employee areas, etc.)	350	3,767	700	7,535
Total for residential hospice	910	9,795	1,820	19,590



THE NEXT STEPS



- We are asking that this presentation be sent to staff with a request of them to investigate opportunities and options for a hospice to be located in Markham, and to host a meeting of interested stakeholders.
- We are asking that staff report back to General Committee as soon as possible.

Thank You For Your Consideration.
Any Questions?