



Comprised of: Aldersgate Apartments & Garden Homes

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Report to the 2017 Free Methodist General Conference

Dear Friends in Christ,

It is my sincere pleasure to report on the significant activities, events and changes in the life of Aldersgate Village on behalf of our Board of Directors.

With equal representation of clergy and lay persons from the founding/supporting Wesleyan and Free Methodist denominations, it is our responsibility to make sure that the original and expanded mandate is being consistently carried out for the sake of our current and future residents of Aldersgate Village. Thus, our mission continues to be **“Aldersgate Village exists to provide, safe, affordable housing for seniors as an expression of Christian love serving the physical, social and spiritual needs of residents.”**

We are working in close co-operation with our Administrator, Amy Elliott, to develop programs in the short-term and new facilities in the long-term to work towards our goal of providing an “assisted living program” at Aldersgate. After investigating the preliminary stages of feasibility and support for future development, reports indicated that we need to increase our general public awareness to garner future financial backing from the community. With waiting lists that are year’s long, advertising has not been a focus for quite some time but it was clear that it is time to “let our little light shine.”

Activity then turned to corporate “rebranding” with the implementation of a new logo, refreshed website and joining the social media crowd on Facebook! We also added the ability to accept online donations to our Development Fund using the “Canada Helps.org” platform. Donations can be made securely and easily with charitable income tax receipts issued for all donations made! Make sure to check us out online!

My sincere thanks to the Board of Directors, who give so freely of their time and talents to the ministry of Aldersgate Village. Wesleyan representatives: Rev. Brian Carswell, Mr. Bill DeJong, Mr. Eric Cooney; Free Methodist representatives: Rev. Carl Bull, Mr. Allan Kay, Mrs. Mary Sharpe; and Tenant/ Resident Representatives: Mrs. Helen Carey, Mrs. Evelyn Gray, Mrs. Florence Jesshope and Mr. Jack Ruttan. I would also like to thank Rev. David Atton, who retired from our Board in 2016, for his many years of service. Thank you to our Administrator, Amy Elliott and her dedicated team of staff members, Ann McCann, Administrative Assistant, Don Fobert, Maintenance Manager, and Ryan Parks, Custodian, for their diligent, capable work.

I would also like to thank our partners in the Free Methodist Church in Canada for keeping Aldersgate Village and the work we do in the Quinte Area in your prayers.

We desire to be obedient to the Lord’s direction for Aldersgate Village as we move ahead under God, endeavouring to be the best retirement community in the Belleville area, Ontario and Canada!

Blessings,

Mark Sullivan

Rev. Mark Sullivan,
Board Chairman.

