



Hospice Kingston invites our perspectives in a francophone focus group

Hospice Kingston is reaching out to the francophone community for our input on a major new project to provide end-of-life health care in a residential setting: the design and construction of a new 7-bed residential hospice as well as a large hub for end-of-life community programs in Kingston.

While features in the new home have been designed to serve everyone regardless of background, ethnicity or faith, Hospice Kingston would like to hear from us on points that may be of particular concern or interest to our community — ensuring that information, signage and services are available in French, for example.

This home-like setting will enable a multi-disciplinary health team, volunteers and service partners to comfort and ensure dignity for those at the end of their lives. It will be used in the years ahead by hundreds of living and dying individuals, their families, volunteers and hospice/healthcare staff.

Preliminary design drawings have now been prepared, a proposed site identified, and a fundraising campaign put in place to build the home.

At this early stage in the planning, Hospice Kingston has invited invites or extend an invitation to members of the francophone community to participate in a small group discussion being held on May 12, 2016 at 5:30-7:00pm at Hospice offices, 36 Barrie Street in Kingston. (Light lunch and refreshments will be provided)

A short overview of the project will be followed by a facilitated discussion in French. Some additional background information will be provided in advance.

We hope you will consider taking part in this important discussion and contribute to a lasting legacy for all those it will serve in the years ahead.

If you would like to participate and help make the new residential hospice the best it can be from a francophone perspective, please contact Gilles Langlois no later than Friday, May 6, 2016 at jag.langlois@live.ca to confirm whether or not you might be able to participate.

Hope to see you!

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