



VON Durham Hospice Services and Oak Ridges Hospice of Durham Announce Collaboration

DURHAM REGION, MARCH 2021 - VON Durham Hospice Services and Oak Ridges Hospice of Durham (ORH) are pleased to announce a new collaboration to provide bereavement training to volunteers who will be supporting residents and families at ORH.

To ensure volunteers are prepared and empowered to provide exceptional care to future clients, ORH engaged VON Durham Hospice Services; recognizing that they are a leader in providing bereavement support and hospice volunteer training in the Durham Region.

"We look forward to working with the VON Durham Hospice Services team to deliver specialized training to our future volunteers. We are grateful for their support and for sharing their expertise with us." says Brent Farr, Executive Director for ORH.

VON Durham Hospice Services has developed this training to equip ORH's volunteers with further awareness and skills in understanding, supporting, and caring for those facing and/or coping with loss and grief.

"We are delighted to be involved and contributing to ORH's opening preparations with sharing our specialism for developing volunteers who will be providing grief and bereavement supports to the hospice residence." says Cheryl McFarlane, Manager of Hospice Services for VON Durham.

About VON Durham Hospice Services

VON Durham Hospice Services offers programs free of charge to Durham Region residents who have been diagnosed with a life-limiting illness and offers supports to their families and loved ones. Services include health systems navigation, advance care planning, community hospice palliative education, on-going supports to caregivers, friends and families, grief and bereavement care, trained visiting hospice volunteer supports, individual and group supports, and Day Hospice programming.

About Oak Ridges Hospice of Durham

Oak Ridges Hospice of Durham (ORH) is a newly built 8-bed hospice residence located in Port Perry, Ontario, preparing to open its doors this spring to serve Durham Region residents. ORH will provide free compassionate end of life care in a tranquil home-like setting. This care will include pain management as well as emotional, spiritual, and social support not only for residents, but also for their families and loved ones.

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