

HAVE A SAY IN HOW YOUR SENIOR YEARS WILL UNFOLD.

Ageing well and growing old are on the minds of many in our community. What will life look like for each of us as we age? Where and how will you be living your daily life? Because it matters to you, Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation is responding by placing a spotlight directly on ageing well and growing old.

Our home, Comox Valley, is a wonderful place to age and grow old. There are beaches to enjoy, trails to hike, and gardens to tend. Many agree it's the place to enjoy the retirement years. In fact, ours is one of the most senior populations in British Columbia. Statistically, we are older than the BC average by about seven years. The number of people who are 60 and above is growing fast. On northern Vancouver Island, the 75+ age group is set to triple over the next 20 years.

This growth will place significant pressure on our healthcare system.

We are working with our healthcare partners to provide opportunities to help fund healthcare priorities, innovations, equipment and services at the hospital, long-term care and in the community that will directly support and enhance healthcare for all of us, as we age.

Over the coming year, we will be sharing giving opportunities that support initiatives within all of these areas of care including Cumberland Lodge and Glacier View Lodge.

Today, I would like to share an opportunity to have your gift matched, dollar-for-dollar.

This is an exciting time. Under the vision of Providence Living and in partnership with Island Health, **The Views at St. Joseph's will be rebuilt as a groundbreaking new model for long-term care** that will be called *Together by the Sea*.

With gratitude for the generous support of the Conconi Family Foundation, the new build will also embed leading edge research into the new model of care.

Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation is working with St. Paul's Foundation to support this important project and we need your help to bring this vision to reality.

Please donate today because living is not about filling life with years, it's about filling years with life.



Sincerely,
**Bill Anglin, President Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation
Board of Directors**

**YOU CAN DOUBLE
THE FUNDING!**

**The Conconi Family
Foundation will match each
gift made towards the new
build, up to \$500,000.**

**Please give now, and
DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT.**



TOGETHER IN THE COMOX VALLEY

St. Joseph's Hospital was built in the early 1900s and served as our community's hospital for over a century. Today, the site is home to The Views at St. Joseph's, a long-term care home owned and operated by Providence Living. The physical building reflects the standards of the day in which it was built, providing shared accommodations for as many as four people to one room.

Providence Living and its visionary leaders have taken hold of the opportunity to rebuild The Views and, together with Island Health, Government, UBC, St. Paul's Foundation (the Vancouver-based philanthropic partner of Providence Living) and Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation are bringing a **groundbreaking new model for long-term care to our community**. What is emerging has the potential to positively influence seniors' care across British Columbia and beyond.

The vision embraces the concept of "the home" in which residents will be supported to engage in independent and meaningful lives to the extent of their ability. They will have freedom of movement and access to nature while living in a vibrant community with amenities such as a bistro, gardens, general store and the joy of children nearby at the on-site daycare. **The care model will provide opportunities for spontaneity, community engagement and intergenerational connection.**



The new building is expected to welcome its first residents in 2024-2025 and will be home to 156 people whose accommodations will be organized into small, self-contained households of 12 private suites.

To learn more about Ageing Well & Growing Old in the Comox Valley initiatives, please reach out to us at 250.331.5957 or visit us online at cvhealthcarefoundation.com

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