

## At the Heart of What We Do – Our Residents

Dear Friends, Family, and Residents of Shepherd's Care Foundation:

In our heart lies a passion for the celebration of life while creating homes, fostering love, cherishing family, and offering support. Every day, for over 40 years now, we have dedicated ourselves to providing age-in-place care for our residents, in a caring Christian environment.

We are now operating five Shepherd's Care Foundation (SCF) communities in Edmonton and area, each catering to a specific need, from independent living communities to full-care support as the situation necessitates. We provide access to health care and support services, affordable prices, a community of family and friends, regular worship services, social functions, and even trips.

At the heart of what we do, making everything we do worth it, are the people we serve – the seniors who have made memories in our communities, raised families in our neighbourhoods, and been our mentors and friends over the years. Created equal by God, in the SCF home everyone is deserving of love, respect, dignity, and safety.

**“I consider this my home  
and the staff are my friends.”**

- Bert Morrison, Shepherd's Care resident

Quality care for the elderly that is affordable and timely should never be regarded as optional. We are able to keep the cost of calling SCF home manageable through a not-for-profit business model and the efficient use of heartfelt donations from those within the SCF family. The funds are put towards capital improvements such as proper care equipment, updating existing equipment and facility renovations – most of our sites receive no government funding for equipment purchases and capital improvements. We also use donations to supplement programs for residents in areas such as pastoral care and recreation.

### Part of our Heart: Resident Profile – Bert Morrison

“More than what I expected” is how Bert describes his life at one of Shepherd's Care's five communities. Almost two years ago Bert decided to sell his house and join his wife, already a resident for one year. “Life is certainly better now that we're able to be together. There are some things I miss about the family house...but there is no mistaking that (The Manor) is where I now feel at home.” The best surprise Bert has experienced since settling in is the growth of his new friendships with other residents and staff.

“I've tried some activities since living here that I'd never thought of before,” laughs Bert when describing his weekly routine. The best part, however, is the peace of mind he now has because he “never (has) to worry about his wife's welfare.” Not just a care facility and not just a rental apartment – at the SCF Bert and his wife are still able to maintain their relationship with each other, with friends and family and with God. The care is there when they need it, and the home they deserve is always available.

To open your heart to our ministry, you can offer support by donating.

**Make a Tribute –** On behalf of a loved one or an event close to your heart, you can dedicate a donation and we will have a special card sent to them in acknowledgement of your donation. Your tribute will have a lasting impact on the lives of our residents.

**Offer a legacy –** You can plan for giving in the future. By assigning a donation to the SCF in your will, you will be cherishing your life and the memories you leave behind, and preserving the future of others.

Our staff, volunteers, members, and especially our residents and their families are grateful for the donations and support received.

For more information on how you can support SCF, please contact me at:

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Sincerely,



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Luke 10:27

And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind"; and, "Love your neighbour as yourself."