

News Release

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Parkland Foundation Update

Innisfail... As 2016 draws to a close, Parkland Foundation reflects on a successful relationship with The Bethany Group and looks forward to seeing upcoming projects take shape.

In follow up to its update in May 2016, the Board is still pleased to say that the Government of Alberta remains committed to funding for a new lodge and to add capacity to the Foundation's independent living. The new lodge will be built on land next to the existing Autumn Glen Lodge, which will continue to operate during construction.

Construction of the new lodge and additional independent living facilities are managed by the Government of Alberta. The Board of Directors have been working closely with government to move the project along. The Directors have had several positive meetings with the Minister and recently signed the Project Charter that outlines all details regarding the construction of the new facility.

Parkland Foundation are confident the project will move ahead but also understand that major projects, such as this one, take time to plan and coordinate properly. Our latest information is that the Request for Proposal (RFP) to choose the Architect will be issued through formal government processes. It is likely that the successful Architect will start work on design in early 2017.

"We are positive that most of the major hurdles in beginning this project have been overcome and are looking forward to finally seeing work start on this new home for our lodge residents," said Connie Huelsman, Board Chair.

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