



Hunter House Medical Related Accommodations

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Medical Development project a labour of love for family

Kelowna – A local woman is seeking community support in developing a residential housing project that would include affordable, accessible suite accommodation for people who are in the city for medical or health-related reasons.

Alana Marrington and her family want to transform part of some property they own on Pandosy Street across from Kelowna General Hospital into Hunter House, a place of sanctuary for families who are in Kelowna to support a loved one who is ill or undergoing some kind of medical treatment.

“If you’re in Kelowna with a sick child or a parent who is undergoing treatment, for instance, you’ve got enough on your mind already without having to worry about the extra costs and hassles of constantly eating out at restaurants and living out of a hotel room that may be a great distance from the hospital,” points out Marrington. “We want to create a place that is flexible, easily accessible and has all the comforts of home at a reasonable price.”

The idea for Hunter House was born out of personal experience and inspired in large part by Marrington’s father, who, along with her mother, put his life on hold and traveled the province to be with loved ones as they endured one medical situation after another.

“The fact that Kelowna General Hospital is now a regional health care centre means more patients than ever are coming here for treatment,” says Marrington. “I’ve done a lot of research and talked to many medical professionals and other stakeholders since I started pursuing this dream of Hunter House, and I’m more convinced than ever this is something Kelowna really needs.”

Hunter House will be embedded in Collett Manor, a unique framework of accessible and adaptable sale and rental residential units the Marrington family is proposing to build on the 1.2 acre property.

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Designed in a heritage style after the 1913 Collett family home, Collett Manor will include 56 modern units, comprising a mix of junior bachelor, one-bedroom, two-bedroom and flex design suites which can be easily adapted as required to meet a range of generational and health needs.

The Marrington family's company, Pandosy Street Developments, will build Collett Manor and lease suites to Hunter House.

A free open house event is scheduled for Tuesday, November 28 at the Ramada Lodge, 2170 Harvey Avenue in Kelowna. Members of the public are invited to drop by anytime between 7:30 am and 7 pm to meet the Marringtons, hear about the family's philanthropic vision for Collett Manor and Hunter House, see draft plans for the project, share feedback and lend support.

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