What is the Nipissing Serenity Hospice?

It is a peaceful, caring and supportive environment that embraces all without discrimination.

It is a place where quality end of life care is honored in a compassionate and holistic manner.

It is a place where spiritual, psychosocial and physical needs will be met to provide relief of pain and suffering.

The Nipissing Serenity Hospice is a home away from home where people of all ages are invited to spend their life’s final journey.

What services will the hospice provide?

- 24 hour palliative care provided by an expert multidisciplinary team which includes physicians, nurses, personal support workers, social workers, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, pharmacists, palliative care volunteers, multifaith chaplaincy.
- access to grief and bereavement counselling for patients, family and friends.

Of what will the facility be comprised?

- a natural and serene setting surrounded by the Northern landscape.
- 10 bed facility providing individual rooms for privacy and comfort of patients, as well as accommodation for family or friends if they choose to spend the night with their loved one.
- guest room with washroom facilities offering the family or friends a place to rest and be alone.
- play area for children.
- sacred spaces for prayer, ceremony and contemplation.
- large screened-in patio.
- communal areas including kitchen and dining facilities, as well as a lounge to support gatherings in hospitality and fellowship.

Why our community needs a hospice?

Our community really needs a hospice, where the terminally ill will find the comfort and tranquility of a home-like environment, rather than a busy acute care hospital setting. While many dying patients would prefer to die at home, it often becomes difficult for family members to care for their loved ones at home. In a hospice, the patient, family and friends can spend quality time together, in a way where everyone’s needs are supported in a compassionate manner.

Care for a palliative patient in a hospice is approximately ¼ the cost incurred in a hospital and alleviates significant financial pressure on our local health care system.

Hospices already exist in most northern communities including Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie, Thunder Bay and Huntsville. It is now time for the Nipissing Region to build a hospice.

Compassion, Comfort & Dignity

Proposed building design by: Larocque Elder Architects Architectes Inc.
What can I do to help?
First and foremost, you can help spread the word that Nipissing region needs a hospice facility today – for the future of our community. Secondly, financial contributions of any denomination are greatly appreciated and will help us reach our goal. Charitable donation receipts will be issued for any donation $20 or higher.

How will our hospice be funded?
The Ministry of Health does not provide any funding for capital construction. After construction, operational expenses will be partially provided by the Ministry of Health. The balance of operational expenses and all initial building costs needs to be raised by our community.

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When a cure is no longer possible, we offer comfort and care.