



DOM LIPA

SLOVENIAN LINDEN FOUNDATION

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Dear Dom Lipa Families, Friends, Employees and Supporters,

In this communication we provide good news about an upcoming Dom Lipa Information Session on Zoom and good practices when applying to Dom Lipa for either Retirement Living or Long-Term Care Nursing suites. We also report on a recent inspection by the Ministry of Long-Term Care and celebrate two grants we received. At the end, we summarize the financial highlights reported by the Interim Treasurer at the recent Annual General Meeting.

Zoom Information Session – Monday May 27th at 7pm – Applications to Dom Lipa

We will have a virtual information session on Zoom for community members on Monday, May 27th at 7 pm. Melissa Šuštar, Social Worker and Activation and Volunteer Coordinator, will talk about:

- the application process to the Retirement Living wing which is handled by Dom Lipa staff
- the application process to the Long-Term Care Nursing wings which is handled by the Home and Community Care Coordinator (part of the Ministry of Long-Term Care)
- services at Dom Lipa.

This virtual information session is a repeat of the in-person information session held Sunday April 28th. Almost 20 attendees came to the in-person session at the Parish Hall at our Lady of the Miraculous Medal.

Key learnings:

- apply early for the Retirement Living side; you can always decline an offer and stay on the list
- prepare the application for the Long-Term Care Nursing once you arrive in Retirement Living
 - indicate on your application that you are of Slovenian descent, or enjoy Slovenian food and entertainment so it is clear you have a preference for Dom Lipa
 - indicate you will accept all types of Long-Term Care Nursing accommodation (basic, semi-private, private) increases your chances to be accepted – there will be opportunities to move suites within Dom Lipa in the future.

There is no need register for this session in advance.

Join us by Zoom to hear more about the application processes for the two parts of our home: Retirement Living wing and the Long-Term Care Nursing wings.

Time: Mon May 27, 2024 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://utoronto.zoom.us/j/81950608537>

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Dom Lipa has 66 beds in the Long-Term Care Nursing wings and 30 beds in the Retirement Living wing:

- There were 22 new admissions into Long-Term Care Nursing in 2023
- The waitlist for Long-Term Care Nursing is 181 as of March 20, 2024
- Currently 54% of Long-Term Care Nursing residents are of Slovenian descent.
- There is 1 vacant bed in Retirement Living. Dom Lipa cannot keep this open for long because we rely on the revenue for each Retirement Living bed.
- The waitlist in Retirement Living is short, with approximately 10 people on it
- At this time, 76% of Retirement Living residents are of Slovenian descent.

Inspection by Ministry of Long-Term Care in April 2024

The Ministry of Long-Term Care regularly inspects long-term care nursing homes. Our most recent inspection took place from April 15 -18, 2024.

The Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021 is the basis for inspections in long-term care homes. Dom Lipa's operations were compared to provincial protocols for Infection Prevention and Control, and Falls Prevention and Management were reviewed. During the course of this inspection, the inspectors made relevant observations, reviewed records and conducted interviews, as applicable. We are pleased to report there were no findings of non-compliance (that is, there is nothing to fix).

Thank you to Dom Lipa Management and staff for consistently paying close attention to infection prevention and control, and also falls prevention and management while caring for our seniors.

Two Grants Received

Bravo to our management and staff who are always searching for funding grants to help us with our work caring for seniors.

We are pleased to announce that we received from a grant from the Schlegel-UW Institute for Aging in the amount of \$60,600 to build capacity through training, education, innovation and knowledge mobilization to improve the health and well-being of people who live and work in long-term care.

We are also pleased to announce that the Republic of Slovenia's Ministry for Slovenians Abroad has awarded Dom Lipa and the Activation team of Melissa Šuštar, Social Worker and Activation and Volunteer Coordinator and Natalie Žižek, Activation Co-ordinator a grant of 1,800 Euros for a pen-pal project involving our seniors and youth. This activity will be carried out in 2024 and will

enrich the lives of our seniors as they interact with others within the Slovenian community, sharing knowledge, educating the younger generation, sharing life experiences and culture, etc.

The Ministry for Slovenians Abroad provides financial support for the activities of Slovenians around the world which help to consolidate and preserve the national, linguistic and cultural identity, to connect with each other and to connect communities with the Republic of Slovenia.

Financial Highlights and Report of the Interim Treasurer at the Annual General Meeting

Clara Sečnik reported on the financial status of Dom Lipa. She is currently the Interim Treasurer.

Retirement Living Wing:

- There are 30 Retirement Living suites which Dom Lipa rents to residents. This is regulated by the Residential Tenancies Act, S.O. 2006.
- Applications to the Retirement Living wing are reviewed by Dom Lipa.
- The government does not fund the Retirement Living side of the home.
- The Retirement Living income assists with expenses on the Long-Term Care Nursing wings and for building upkeep and capital expenses.

Long-Term Care Nursing Wings:

- Funding for operations of the Long-Term Care side of the home comes primarily from the Ministry of Long-Term Care (MLTC).
- Funding is based on an amount per resident per day (funding formula).
- In 2023, Dom Lipa provided 3.5 hours per day of nursing care to each resident, and this is above the required 3 hours per day per resident.
- There is no MLTC funding for building upkeep and capital expenses (e.g., roof, heating and air conditioning, electrical systems, etc.) All expenses related to the building are funded by donations and also supported by revenues from the Retirement Living side.

Statement of Operations - Highlights:

- The 2023 operating year saw a profit of \$900K compared to \$920K in the previous year. These funds are used to support overall operations and capital needs and reserves.
- Government subsidies for Covid-19 infection prevention and control measures have declined
- The total for donations and fundraising was \$267K in 2023 compared to \$214K in 2022.
- The operating expenses were slightly lower than 2022 primarily due to reduced need for COVID cleaning supplies.

Statement of Financial Position Highlights:

- Assets in 2023 were \$9.1M.
- Liabilities were \$3.2M. Dom Lipa paid off its 2002 mortgage of \$5 million in early 2023.
- Net assets totaled \$5.9M in 2023.
- The Statement of Financial Position captures the capital funding and value of the capitals works to date. It does not reflect the expected commitments necessary for redevelopment and major capital works. Dom Lipa is developing reserves to

fund future capital requirements.

We hope this communication is informative. If you have questions, please contact the office by email or telephone; see contact information below.

We wish everyone a lovely month of May!

Sincerely,
The Board of Directors of the Slovenian Linden Foundation – Dom Lipa

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