

STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Carefree Lodge – Request for Expenditure from Donations Account

| Date: | May 6, 2009 |
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| To: | Advisory Committee on Long-Term Care Homes and Services |
| From: | General Manager, Long-Term Care Homes and Services |
| Wards: | Ward 24 |
| Reference Number: | |

SUMMARY

Each home has a variety of donations accounts and Toronto Long-Term Care Homes and Services has an overarching policy that requires any expenditure request from a donations account to have the support and endorsement of both the Home Advisory Committee and the General Manager. Further, expenditure requests over the amount of \$7,500.00 also require the endorsement of the Advisory Committee on Long-Term Care Homes and Services.

The policy related to designated uses of the donations account states that expenditures shall not be made for the ordinary operation and maintenance of the home. The policy further states that the purpose of the donations accounts is to enrich or enhance the quality of life for residents.

The Carefree Lodge main dining room needs new drapery. The current draperies are approximately twenty five years of age and need replacing. Due to the glare, the Home would like to purchase and install sunshades.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager, Long-Term Care Homes and Services recommends that the Advisory Committee on Long-Term Care Homes and Services endorse the requested \$7,350.52 plus taxes expenditure from the Donations Account at Carefree Lodge.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications to Toronto Long-Term Care Homes and Services operating budget arising out of this report.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The Carefree Lodge main dining room has undergone an extensive new set of windows replacements and as a result, the old draperies were removed and cleaned. However, due to the age of the drapery track, which was estimated to be twenty-five years of age, the track needs replacement. Both track and draperies are twenty-five years of age.

The Carefree Lodge Home Advisory Committee has endorsed the recommendation for new sunshades to be installed in the main dining room in June 2008. However, the recommendation was put on hold because of the window replacement project which began last year and is still underway.

The main dining is a formal setting which provides a place for 98 residents to eat and enjoy the ravine view while eating. The new sun shades will provide the residents with dealing with the glare and still enjoy the natural direct light in the main dining room.

In accordance with the Division's operating policies, expenditures over \$7,500.00 also require the endorsement of the Advisory Committee on Long-Term Care Homes and Services, to ensure that the proposed use of the donations account is consistent with the general purpose of the donations accounts and the proposed items will enhance residents' lives.

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