## Carefree Lodge/Esther Shiner Blvd.

306 Finch Ave. East

Ward 24

Central LHIN

127 beds

Structural Classification C

## Culture, Community & Partners:

Cantonese

Korean

**Jewish** 

Mandarin

Russian

**LGBT** 

Volunteers

North York General Hospital Psychogeriatric Mental Health Outreach

Carefree

Lodge

## **Plan Synopsis:**

- Continue Carefree Lodge operations until completion of new 160 bed long-term care home on Esther Shiner Boulevard.
- Project estimate \$83.0 million (including land remediation), \$26.9 million is recoverable debt from provincial funding.
- Land remediation is estimated to be between \$10-12 million which could be offset by sale of surplus Finch Avenue East site, estimated land value of \$5-10 million.
- Plan maintains beds in nearby (4 km) area.
- Current Carefree Lodge residents would be notified of the relocation but would be given the option to transfer to another home via CCAC relocation.
- The Esther Shiner Boulevard (Oriole Yard) site and its proximity to North York General Hospital could enhance the existing psychogeriatric program or expand palliative and/or facilitate convalescent care in the new larger home.
- 306 Finch Avenue East site declared surplus.

## **Options Considered:**

- Retrofit of Carefree Lodge to meet new design standards allows for a maximum of 78 beds, greatly reducing operational efficiencies.
- Redevelopment is not possible on land-locked ravine site; its northern and eastern edges located in City's Natural Heritage System, a greater portion of site affected by City Ravine and Natural Feature Protection By-Law.
- Alternate City-owned site; placement of a long-term care home, between 160 to 428 beds could be accommodated at 251 Esther Shiner Boulevard and supports higher order uses consistent with development in the surrounding area.

Current Built Estimate Future Construction

127 beds 1967 Esther \$83.0M 160 beds 2022