



# BUILDING THE FABRIC OF OUR COMMUNITY



Doane House Hospice has been a pillar of the Newmarket community since its inception in 1989 as Hospice Newmarket when it was founded by a local resident who saw a need to help fellow members of their community die at home. Twelve years later, in an amazing display of community spirit and determination, the hospice took up residence in the historic Doane House, a Town of Newmarket property; and *Doane House Hospice* was born.

*Margaret Bahen Hospice for York Region* will officially join *Doane House Hospice* as an integral part of the Newmarket community in the fall of 2017. The *Margaret Bahen Hospice for York Region* will focus on partnering with hospice and palliative care providers across York Region to grow the continuum of care.

As part of the community fabric both *Doane House Hospice* and *Margaret Bahen Hospice for York Region* will rest on the strength, generosity, and community pride of the people of Newmarket, and surrounding areas. As such we are pleased to share that we will be forging a unique partnership at the local community level. We believe that by working closely together, sharing resources, and building on our individual organizational strengths, together we will better serve the community in which we are so deeply rooted.

We are excited that this partnership is already underway. Doane House Hospice volunteers have hit the streets to share their stories and recruit 150+ new volunteers to support the needs of the residential hospice, from Newmarket and the surrounding areas; we have developed a shared staff model that will enhance the seamless delivery of care across the continuum; we are drawing on the strengths of existing programs and staff while creating an exciting new

model of care; and we will partner together over the coming years to raise over 1.5 million dollars annually to support the important work of community hospice.

As part of the community we urge you to join us in this endeavor. We need your support in many ways. Spread the word about community and residential hospice care, join us as a volunteer, or make a donation to support the important work we will do together as a community.

For more information about us and how you can get involved with Doane House Hospice and Margaret Bahen Hospice for York Region, please visit [www.doanehospice.org](http://www.doanehospice.org) or [www.myhospice.ca](http://www.myhospice.ca).

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