











**Long-Term Care Home Update** 

Community Newsletter



#### March 2022

## **Substantial Performance Achieved**

On March 2, Lakeridge Gardens achieved substantial performance. A major accomplishment, substantial performance signifies the completion of all major construction and that the home's keys have been handed over to Lakeridge Health to operate. With the home's formal opening planned this month, Lakeridge Health will continue its final planning and preparations for residents to move in.

To mark this milestone and the home's incredible progress, PCL Construction created a mini documentary. The video showcases the planning, innovations, and partnerships to build the home from start to finish.

Click the image below to watch and share the video!



# **Lakeridge Gardens by the Numbers:**

- Major construction was achieved in an astounding 13 months. A typical longterm care build takes months, if not years, longer.
- Lakeridge Gardens has over 500
  windows and 1,000 doors installed
  throughout the home.
- At its peak, Lakeridge Gardens saw just over 600 skilled workers a day on site.



# **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### When will residents move in?

Residents are expected to begin moving in on Tuesday, March 29, 2022.

#### **Can I tour Lakeridge Gardens?**

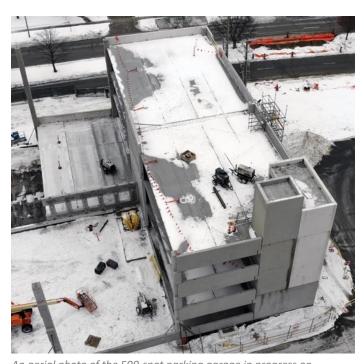
We are not able to accommodate in-person tours at this time due to ongoing COVID-19 protocols. There will, however, be a video tour available very soon to virtually walk families and members of the community through the new home.

#### Where can visitors park?

There are a limited number of parking spots designated for long-term care visitors at the front of Lakeridge Gardens. We are also constructing a parking garage adjacent to the home that will service both Lakeridge Gardens and Lakeridge Health's Ajax Pickering Hospital.

# How many team members will work at Lakeridge Gardens?

More than 500 care and administration staff work at Lakeridge Gardens, all of whom are highly trained and have many years of experience in long-term care.



An aerial photo of the 500-spot parking garage in progress on February 6, 2022

## Where will team members park with limited parking?

Last spring, a long-time locally owned family business generously donated land at Barr Road and Monarch Avenue to help with parking at Lakeridge Gardens. We will continue to have access to this lot until the parking garage is complete, and staff will shuttle between the home and the parking lot.

## How are residents placed in the home?

Long-term care home placement in the Durham Region is managed and coordinated by <u>Home and Community Care Support Services Central East</u>. The placement process includes a multi-part assessment, including an assessment by a Care Coordinator, to ensure there is an accurate record of medical history, and to help determine eligibility for long-term care.

#### What are the visitation rules?

Lakeridge Gardens requires visitors to show proof of vaccination against COVID-19. Visitors will also be required to take a rapid antigen test before entering the home. All staff, caregivers, visitors, and residents will continue to practice public health measures as required such as screening and testing at entry, masking, physical distancing, hand hygiene, and staying home when sick.



A view of Lakeridge Gardens' front entrance

# **Lakeridge Gardens' New Phone Number and Email**

With the home ready to open, the contact information for Lakeridge Gardens has changed. If you have questions about the home, please call our new phone number at 905-428-5201 ext. 17110 or email LakeridgeGardens-info@lh.ca at any time.