

Sun Parlor Home – Structural Capital Allocation

Service Description

The Sun Parlor Home's original building was erected in 1901. The previous building was demolished. The current building has been renovated, with additions/upgrades being completed in 1962, 1971 and 1992. The current structure has one section of the Home built in 1965 – 1 South and 2 South. The second section of the Home with 4 stories was built in 1992. The Home is a 155,000 square foot facility. The Home has an "A" class rating for all 208 beds.

Prior Year Performance

Structural Capital funding provided by the Province is used within the Home to maintain the A class rating and ensure routine capital needs are provided for without impacting the County Levy. Highlights of 2017 Structural Capital Purchases include:

- The Home has 14 tub rooms. Two tubs were replaced in 2017. As of 2017, one tub remains with jets. Whirlpool jets are difficult to clean. The elimination of tubs with whirlpool jets is an infection control strategy.
- Seventeen new resident lifts with scales were purchased at a cost of \$214,000. This was funded by the Capital Reserve.
- Resident lift slings used with a lift to move residents continue to be replaced. The approximate cost for each sling is \$500 and the Home currently owns 279 slings and 18 extras on hand. Each resident should have at least one sling if needed.
- An 80lb washing machine was replaced in February.
- The Home continues to replace mattresses on a recurring 5 year schedule, in keeping with the strategy to maintain a standard product for the entire Home. As a result, 52 mattresses were purchased and changed. Air mattresses are also assessed and replaced on a regular basis.
- A new lawn tractor was purchased (funded by the Rate Stabilization Reserve).

Proposed Budget – Current Year

A flooring project for the Home expanded beyond the Special Care Unit Activation Room and Dining Rooms to include a ramp that adjoins the 2 East and 2 South neighborhoods. The flooring project will be completed in early 2018.

The installation of digital menu boards, touch-screens in the serveries and kitchen, and the purchase of digital devices to display meal choices commenced in late 2017 and will continue into early 2018. The benefits include the reduction of food waste (elimination of show-plates), improved access to resident dietary information within the serveries and a significant reduction in printed materials. It is anticipated that Structural Capital needs for 2018 can be met within the provincial subsidy provided, and no additional reserve funding will be required.