**Wednesay, April 27 – 4:00 p.m.**

Organizational Update

Good afternoon,

Since the latest spike in COVID-19 cases have hit long-term care and retirement residences across the province in this sixth wave, we have been thankful that, for the most part, serious illness and complications have been relatively rare. However, those who live in these settings are certainly at risk, and our thoughts are with the loved ones of a resident from The Village of Riverside Glen who had previously tested positive and has passed away since our last report.

How a cause is officially labelled when we face the loss of a resident is secondary to the grief our teams face when they must say goodbye, for the foundation of our approach to care and support is forged in relationships, and they are often deep. We thank all of our teams for their ongoing dedication to those we are fortunate to serve and we hope the collective community case numbers will begin to drop so we can move away from the threat outbreaks in our Villages present.

We also want to acknowledge the many faces of support we have come to know these past two years and, as we mark Volunteer Appreciation Week, we offer our heartfelt gratitude for the many kind souls who grace our Villages with kindness. It truly does take a Village to Care, and our volunteers are such an important part of our lives. Here is a short story we’d like to share to highlight the beauty of the spirit of volunteerism. <https://schlegelvillages.com/news/gifts-selfless-volunteers>

Thank you.

