



## MEETING THE NEEDS OF AN AGING POPULATION IN ST. CATHARINES

Seasons Retirement Communities to Develop Local Seniors Housing Project

**Oakville- Immediate Release:** Seasons Retirement Communities is proud to announce the development of a new retirement community in St. Catharines. This Master Planned Community will start construction in 2016.

Seasons CEO Rick Smyth says, "We are excited about the opportunity to create new homes for the senior population in St. Catharines. We are making a significant investment in downtown St. Catharines that will create numerous partnerships and bring essential services to meet the needs of an aging population. This is an excellent site location with its close proximity to the St. Catharines site of the Niagara Health System, shopping, the historic Montebello Park and of course Downtown St. Catharines."

The retirement community will be built on the 10 acre site of the old Hotel Dieu hospital. The retirement community will provide a full spectrum of care options from independent living to assisted living, including memory care, and will include independent townhomes, a seniors apartment building and an apartment complex, all within walking distance of downtown. The project will create a significant number of construction jobs and will ultimately produce up to 100 full-time and part-time skilled jobs to support our retirement community residents.

St. Catharines Mayor, Walter Sendzik, says, "Congratulations to Seasons Retirement Communities on this exciting opportunity and thank you for investing in St. Catharines. This development highlights the continued transformation of downtown St. Catharines into a livable and walkable community that is close to transportation, shopping, dining, greenspace and world class arts and cultural amenities. Downtown St. Catharines is a great place to live and I look forward to welcoming Seasons and their many new residents to the community."

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### About Seasons Retirement Communities

Established in 2009, Seasons is a Canadian company that operates ten retirement residences in Ontario, with an additional three locations under development in 2016. Our management team has extensive experience in the senior housing sector and has developed a culture that is dedicated to providing residents with superior customer service. At Seasons, we want our residents to feel proud to call us home and to know they are surrounded by people who genuinely care. Welcome to Seasons, the Way Home Feels.

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