

AVENS - A
Community for
Seniors

Owners of:
Aven Manor
Long term care

Aven Cottages

Dementia care

Aven Court/Aven Ridge/ Aven Pavilion

Independent housing

Baker Community Centre *Wellness*

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AVENS AWARDED FUNDING FROM SECTOR TRANSFORMATION FUND – LOCAL PROJECTS BY COMMUNITY HOUSING TRANSFORMATION CENTRE

AVENS – A Community for Seniors has been awarded funding to complete an assessment of the Avens Campus focusing on the Aven Manor building. Aven Manor is the oldest building providing long-term care services to 29 residents from the Northwest Territories. The last building assessment was completed over a decade ago, and major recent upgrades include the new kitchen and laundry facilities constructed in Aven Pavilion providing support services to Aven Manor and Aven Cottages.

The Community Housing Transformation Centre has awarded \$49,980 in funding for the AVENS – Project – Campus and Manor Infrastructure Review. This critical project will contribute towards the creation of a master plan for the campus assets and organization development required to obtain the final master plan.

Daryl Dolynny, President and CEO of AVENS, states, "Receiving this funding from the Sector Transformation Fund is a significant milestone for AVENS. It reaffirms our commitment to enhancing the living conditions and quality of life for our seniors. This building condition assessment and concept options analysis for AVENS is not just about infrastructure; it's about fostering a community where our residents can thrive and receive the care they deserve. We are excited to embark on this important project and look forward to what the future holds for our community."

AVENS is no stranger to undertaking large-scale projects, and this new phase will bring more options to support seniors aging with community support. AVENS is proud to partner with the Sector Transformation Fund through The Centre in the analysis and design of the future of AVENS campus facilities.



Daryl Dolynny,
President and Chief Executive Officer

AVENS – A Community for Seniors (previously YACCS) was incorporated under the Societies Act in April of 1983 by a group of citizens to lobby government and establish programs and services for seniors. AVENS was established to meet the needs of the growing number of soon-to-be retired miners and prospectors (many of whom were bachelors) who would need support to live out their retirement years in Yellowknife.

SINCE INCEPTION, AVENS has worked very hard to establish programs and services not only for Yellowknife seniors, but for seniors across the NWT.

TODAY, AVENS board's vision is to address ageing challenges across the entire housing and care continuum. Our recent expansion envisions growth of residential living choices and delivery of a range of services across the full spectrum of care. Most importantly the board envisions a community where our residents can move seamlessly through levels of care without ever leaving the AVENS community.

AVENS Vision: A future where seniors age well and have choices, where they are connected to a safe and caring community for life.