

Frequently Asked Questions

- Q. How old do I have to be before I can apply for an apartment?**
- A.** *The apartments are intended for seniors 65 years of age and older. If we do not have anyone 65 or older who is ready to move, we can rent to people under the age of 65. This does not happen very often in Camrose and Wetaskiwin, but is more common in New Norway, Ferintosh and Bashaw.*
- Q. After I apply, how long will it take for me to be offered a suite?**
- A.** *Your place on the waiting list is determined by your need. Available suites are offered first to people at the top of the list who have the greatest need. Therefore the waiting period can vary.*
- Q. Can I smoke in my apartment?**
- A.** *Some facilities do allow smoking but other buildings are smoke free. You will need to discuss this when you submit an application for accommodation.*
- Q. Are pets allowed?**
- A.** *Pets are only allowed in buildings where apartments have direct access to the outdoors.*
- Q. Are my personal belongings covered under the management's insurance coverage?**
- A.** *All tenants are responsible for insuring their own personal possessions.*

Values

The Bethany Group believes that all people deserve to be treated with dignity and respect in an atmosphere of holistic care, cooperation and integrity.

Vision

Our vision is that all the people we serve will be provided with the highest level of respect, dignity, and community, working from a Christian foundation that reflects God's love and caring.

Mission

Our mission is to enhance the quality of life of people who are older, disabled or vulnerable, serving them as a reflection of God's love and caring.

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**Seniors
Self-Contained
Apartments**

What Does Seniors Self-Contained Housing Offer?

Seniors Self-Contained Housing offers the pleasures of living independently without the difficulties of maintaining a house. The intent is to provide accommodation for low to moderate income seniors.

Every suite offers complete privacy and comes equipped with all of the necessary facilities. Apartments can range in size from 500 square feet to 575 square feet.

Lounge and hobby areas provide the opportunity for visits with friends, family or other apartment dwellers.

Rent

- Rent in seniors self-contained apartments is based on a rent-geared to income (RGI) formula. This means that rent is based on a percentage of the tenant's adjusted income. In the case of a couple or two persons sharing a seniors self-contained apartment, the rent is based on the combined incomes of both.
- Rent is calculated at 30% of total gross income from all sources (i.e. pensions, investment income, etc.) with a maximum rate of \$600.00 (subject to review).
- Heat, water, sewer and garbage removal charges are included in the rent.
- Electricity, telephone, parking and cable TV charges are the responsibility of the tenant.

Eligibility

- Senior citizens whose income is not sufficient to rent private sector accommodation and are functionally independent, with or without the help of existing community-based services, are eligible.
- Based on a point-scoring system set out by Alberta Government.
- Determined after completion of an "Application for Accommodation", a "Medical Information Form" and personal interview.
- Place on eligibility list is determined by need rather than the date of application for accommodation.

Services Available

Senior citizens' self-contained apartments are operated very much like private rental projects. For example, they do not have staff on duty 24 hours a day. However, tenants have access to staff from the management body for emergency situations such as loss of heat or electricity, or emergency plumbing problems, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Most of the subsidized apartment living facilities managed by The Bethany Group have the following services:

- Private suites
- In-house caretakers
- Maintenance
- Security
- Elevators
- Laundry Facilities
- Lounge and Hobby Areas
- On-site Hairdressing

Available Accommodation

The Bethany Group is the management body for subsidized apartment living in Bashaw, Camrose, Ferintosh, Millet, New Norway and Wetaskiwin:

Heritage House I and II (Bashaw)
Lakeside Home (Bashaw)
Heritage Manor (Camrose)
Parkview Place (Camrose)
Wildrose Villa (Camrose)
Beaver House (Ferintosh)
John A. Smith Manor (Millet)
Nordic Villa (New Norway)
Legion Arms (Wetaskiwin)
Luther Manor (Wetaskiwin)
Kiwanis Kourt (Wetaskiwin)
Kiwanis Manor (Wetaskiwin)

Contact Information

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