

# Villa Colombo Toronto – Revitalization Project Community Open Forum December 7, 2021



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## Agenda

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## Meeting Objective

- Inform our community of the Long-Term Care legislative requirements
- Inform our community of our priorities:
  - Provide the highest quality of care to our residents
  - Meet the long-term care legislative requirements
  - Not reduce long-term care beds from the system
  - **Transparency**
- Inform our community that an application for legislated long-term care home development funding will be submitted on behalf of Villa Colombo Toronto by the deadline of December 31, 2021

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## Villa Colombo Toronto History

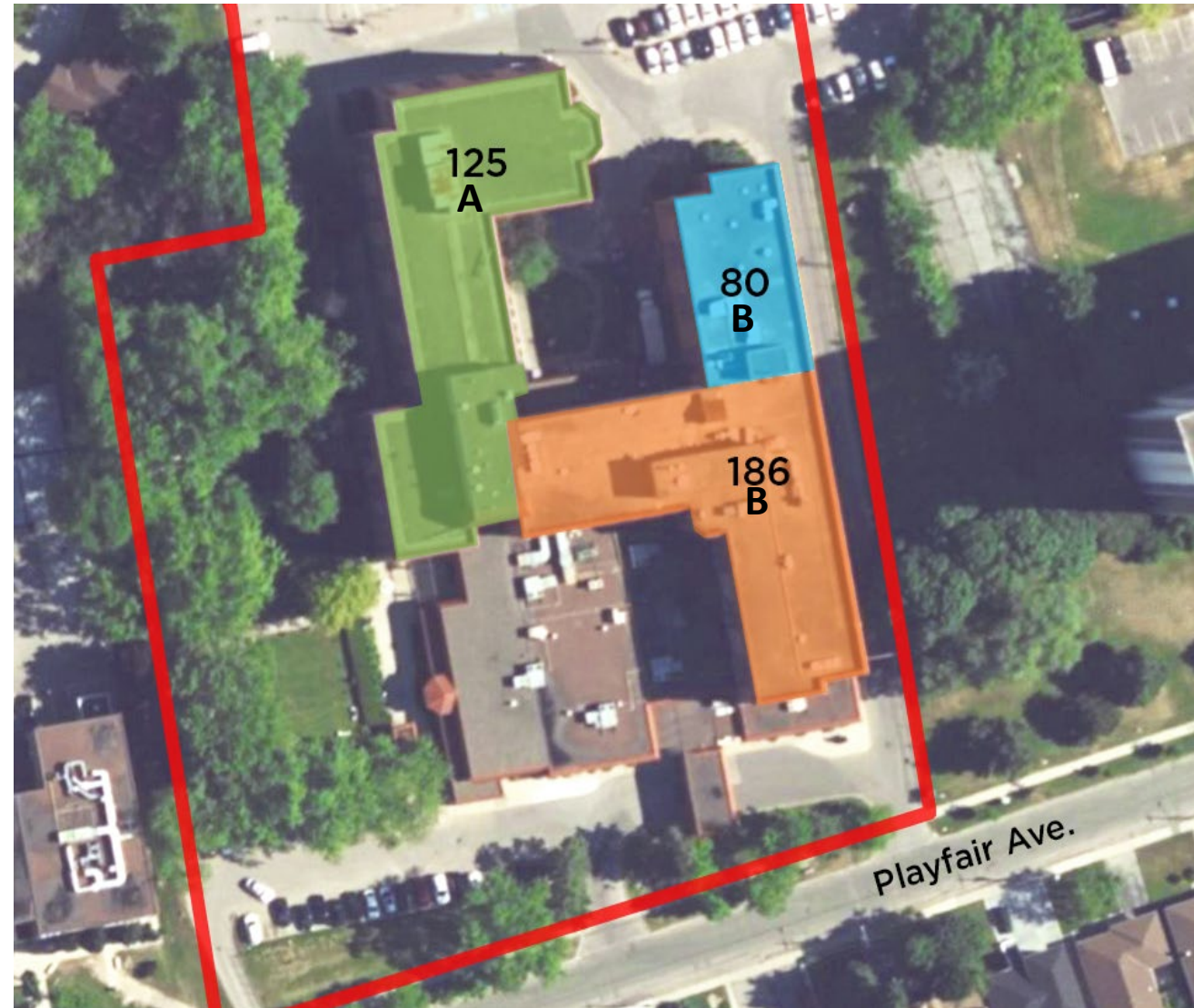
- Originally opened in 1976 with 186 beds
- North Wing - Completed in 1988 and 80 beds were added, bringing the total number of beds to 266
- Fidani Wing - Completed in 2001 and 125 beds were added, bringing the total number of beds to 391
- There are 627 LTC homes in the Province. At 391 beds, Villa Colombo is the 7<sup>th</sup> largest in the Province.



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## Long-Term Care Bed Licenses and Bed Classification with the Ministry of Long-Term Care

- Each of the 391 beds at Villa Colombo represents a Long-Term Care license with the Ministry and the licenses expire in 2030
- Each bed has a classification that is based on the standard it was originally built on
- Original 186 beds built in 1976 –  
Classified as Class B beds
- 80 North wing beds completed in 1988 –  
Classified as Class B beds
- 125 Fidani wing beds completed in 2001 –  
Classified as Class A beds



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## Ministry of Long-Term Care Legislative Requirements

- If legislation requirements are not met by 2030, Villa Colombo Toronto will lose their bed licenses for the 266 Class B beds
- Government has increased the funding model to assist long-term care homes to renovate or rebuild their beds to meet the new legislation by 2030
- Why the urgency?
  - Letter received October 20, 2021 states “You are encouraged to submit an application early, but not later than December 31, 2021”.

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October 20, 2021

**MEMORANDUM TO:** Interested Applicants for Long-Term Care Development  
**FROM:** Brian Pollard  
Assistant Deputy Minister  
Long-Term Care Capital Development  
Ministry of Long-Term Care  
**SUBJECT:** 2021 Application for Long-Term Care Home Development

I am pleased to announce that the Ontario government is now accepting applications from current and new long-term care home operators in Ontario to build new long-term care beds and upgrade older ones. You are encouraged to submit an application early, but no later than December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021, as the ministry will be evaluating applications as received. The application form is available through [Ontario.ca/developingltc](https://ontario.ca/developingltc).

If you submitted an application under the 2019 Call for Applications and you have not heard from the ministry, we ask that you submit a new application under the current Call for Applications if you are still interested in building long-term care home beds. This will ensure the ministry has the most current information regarding your project.

The ministry is here to guide you throughout the application process and will provide the following support to applicants:

- two webinars, on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, and November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 10-11 am to support anyone completing the application form (please refer to [Ontario.ca/developingltc](https://ontario.ca/developingltc) and [ltchomes.net](https://ltchomes.net) for details and how to register).

Thank you for your continued support and engagement in the long-term care home sector. If you have any questions, please contact us at [LTCdevelopment@ontario.ca](mailto:LTCdevelopment@ontario.ca).

Sincerely,

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## Long-Term Care Bed Licenses and Bed Classification with the Ministry of Long-Term Care

- To renew the licenses in 2030, all beds must meet the new Long-Term Care design standards, which requires a minimum Class A rating
- The 125 Fidani Class A beds meet the updated standards
- The 266 Class B beds will not meet the new design standards
- We cannot renew the Class B bed licenses unless they are updated to reflect current long-term care design standards
- If we do nothing, we will lose 266 long-term care beds for our residents

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## Next Steps

- An application will be submitted by December 31, 2021, to build a new wing adjacent to the existing Villa Colombo building that will replace the 266 Class B beds
  - The application is a placeholder that allows us to meet the December 31<sup>st</sup> deadline and ensure our funding eligibility
  - The application will not determine the final outcome, as time constraints prohibit us from fully exploring other options, such as renovating the existing facility, but that option will also be explored
- As more information becomes available, we will be **transparent** and inform our community throughout the process



# Questions?

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