The Dying Person's Bill of Rights

The dying person has the right to:

- ♥ *be treated as a living person until death*
- ♥ *maintain a sense of hopefulness, however changing its focus may be*
- ♥ *express feelings about approaching death in one's own way*
- ♥ *participate in decisions concerning care*
- ♥ *to die in a setting of personal choice with loved ones present or not*
- ♥ *be free of pain*
- ♥ *to be cared for by compassionate, knowledgeable people who will try to understand one's needs*
- ♥ *have questions answered honestly and not be deceived*
- ♥ *retain individuality and not be judged for decisions made*
- ♥ *have help from and for family and friends in accepting death*
- ♥ *die in peace and dignity*

Adapted from "The Terminally Ill Patient and the Helping Person Workshop, 1975

Our Privacy Policy

Langley Hospice Society is committed to protecting the privacy of its donors, members, volunteers, employees and other stakeholders. Your personal information is never shared with other organizations.

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Our Mission Statement

Langley Hospice Society, is a community-based, non-profit organization, that provides compassionate support to help people live with dignity and hope while coping with grief and the end of life.

Langley Hospice Society was incorporated in 1983

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Palliative Support Programs

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Hospice is not just a building or residence, it's a philosophy of care that:

- emphasizes comfort, dignity and quality of life
- offers support to patients, family and friends throughout the last stage of illness, at the time of death and during bereavement
- is available to patients and their families at home, in hospital, in the hospice residence or community care facility.

"The end of life deserves as much beauty, care, respect and planning as the beginning…"

~ Unknown

The Langley Hospice Society…

- is a registered not-for-profit charitable organization established in 1983
- provides important palliative and bereavement care and support programs and services FREE of CHARGE to meet the needs of the children, teens, adults and families we serve.
- is funded largely through community support, including general donations, fundraising events, memorial and in-honor gifts, bequests, corporate and community grants, our Second Story Treasures Thrift Store in Walnut Grove, BC Gaming, and a small service contract with Fraser Health.

Palliative Care…

- is active compassionate care offered to improve quality of life for individuals living with a life-threatening illness where cure is no longer felt to be possible. Support is also available for their families and friends.
- is a holistic care plan that addresses the physical, psychosocial, practical, and spiritual needs of the patient and their family during end-of-life care.
- provides symptom management and pain control.
- utilizes a team approach involving the patient, family, friends, doctors, nurses, social workers, hospice volunteers and staff and spiritual and care volunteers and staff.

The Doug & Fran MacDonald Langley Hospice Residence

- Located at 22008—52 Avenue in Langley, our new hospice residence opened May 31, 2022, and is co-operated by Fraser Health and the Langley Hospice Society.
- This is a free-standing community hospice with 10 beds in private rooms, with individual patio spaces, its own kitchen and specialized bathing facilities; patient care and support services; a family kitchen and laundry; living room and lounge spaces, an outdoor courtyard, and other common areas. All the comforts of home that can ease the end-of-life journey for patients and their families.

- Langley Hospice volunteers are an integral part of the care team at the residence, providing emotional, practical and spiritual support, 7 days a week, 365 days per year.

Volunteer Palliative Support Program

- Trained and supported Langley Hospice Volunteers provide:
  - One-to-one support for patients and their families in a variety of settings: at the patient's home, in the Langley Hospice Residence, in hospital and community care facilities;
  - Vigil support during the last 72 hours of one's life;
  - Short term caregiver respite
- Volunteers are skilled listeners who are sensitive, compassionate and respectful of confidentiality and cultural backgrounds.
- Volunteers must successfully complete the 10-week (30-hour) comprehensive Hospice Volunteer Training Program and a formal interview; and attend regular monthly meetings.
- Confidentiality agreements must be signed, criminal record and references are checked.

For more information, please contact our Palliative Support Program Coordinator By phone: 604.530.1115 or email at: palliative@langleyhospice.ca

"Allowing community to fill the gap between the support we get and the support we actually need can be life-changing."

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