

A serene forest scene at dusk. In the foreground, a stone fire pit with a warm fire sits on a mossy ground. Four wooden Adirondack chairs are arranged around it, some with blankets and mugs. To the left, a wooden arbor is covered in climbing roses. The background is a dense forest of tall trees, with sunlight filtering through the leaves, creating a soft, golden glow. A small stone lantern is visible among the plants.

JOURNEY HOME SUPPORT

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Journey Home Sanctuary

Ontario's first community sanctuary for dying, where death is met in nature, held in the hands of love and compassion.

WHY

Dying and death deserve reverence.

The Sanctuary will honour the wholeness of a person, their wishes and values reflective of who they are, while holding and supporting the people who love them.

Most people say they want to die at home, surrounded by those who matter to them. Too few get that. Too many face their final days in clinical spaces built for treatment, not for peace.

Journey Home Support exists to close that gap. We offer presence, dignity, and time to individuals and their support circles navigating illness, dying, and grief. Our reach today is limited by space alone. There is no home in our community built specifically to hold this moment with the care it deserves.

The Sanctuary changes that. It will be the first home-like setting in the region where dying is not rushed by schedules or hidden behind clinical walls, where families can gather, goodbyes can be honoured, and every person can meet their ending with dignity.

"Compassion is the soul's light, compassion we live."

From the Sanctuary's guiding spirit

WHAT

A home, not a facility.

The Sanctuary is designed to feel like a home in nature, not an institution. Warm rooms for gathering. Quiet corners for reflection. Space outdoors for the rituals families need, from a fire lit in remembrance to a garden walk taken in silence.



Space to gather

Living rooms and fireside circles where families can be together, not stuck in a waiting room.



Space to be held

Private rooms where MAiD providers and doulas can do their work without anyone being rushed.



Space to say goodbye

Gardens and grounds that welcome goodbye parties and celebrations, embraced rather than hidden.



WHERE

Rooted in the City of Hamilton.

The Sanctuary will be built within Greater Hamilton, close enough for the families we already serve to reach easily, and surrounded by the nature that makes it feel like home rather than a hospital.

HOW

Be part of something Ontario has never had.

This has never existed here before. You can be the reason it does.

We are raising the funds to build the Sanctuary from the ground up: the land, the rooms, the gardens that will hold it. Every gift brings it closer to open.

\$250,000 raised

of \$500,000 goal

We're halfway to bringing Ontario's first end of life sanctuary to life.

Be part of something first of its kind

Ontario has never had a home built for this moment. The people who help fund it first will always be part of its story. Named opportunities throughout the Sanctuary, from individual rooms to garden spaces, let you honour your family or someone you love, woven permanently into a place that will hold thousands of families for generations to come.

Call Renee to learn more or become a named donor

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This is more than a donation. It's an impact investment in how our community meets its hardest moments, for every family who will need this space, for generations to come.

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