



# DHH Volunteer NEWS



The last good thing that may happen in a person's life is a hospice volunteer.

Our crowdfunding [Go Fund Me](#) campaign continues. Please share.



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HAVE A GREAT

Victoria Day Weekend

As this e-news goes out, Canadians from coast-to-coast are hoping for improvements in 'the beast' wildfire in Fort McMurray. Crisis such as these remind us of Mother Nature's power and how tied we are to her. It also highlights the goodness of people-helping-people and how Volunteers are at the front lines of making-better.

It is remarkable that lives lost in this apocalypse are so few in number. That said, the range and number of *non-death* losses are staggering and, as we know, loss-effects ripple *far beyond* those directly affected. Post-traumatic effects connected to this wildfire will be widespread and long-standing. In the same way Hospice Volunteers are urged to guard against the cumulative effect of repetitive emotional strains, it will be important for those touched by this fire to find moments and ways to prioritize self.

Just as the wildfire was making headlines, here in Newmarket it was a drizzly start to our Hike 4 Hospice event. Nonetheless, 130 participants, including many local politicians and community partners, helped bring awareness to DHH as well as 90% of its targeted fundraising goal. Thanks to all who came out or supported in other ways. Next up? Our annual golf fundraiser: [Tee Off for Hospice - June 15](#). Volunteers *still* needed. 8 more!

Enjoy reading about some DHH volunteers who've recently been recognized for their efforts and Ellen's account from the HPCO conference. Follow the path of Gov't funded \$\$ into DHH and read a brief update on Bill C-14. It's June 6 deadline's fast approaching!

*Enjoy May, all it brings and THANKS for READING!*

Susan



**ADMIN SUPPORT**  
*Needed*  
Wednesday  
Mornings/Afternoon



**WANTED**  
MEMORY BEAR  
Seamstresses

**CLIENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - for WEEKDAY DAY VISITS**

Doane House Hospice-Hope & Healing

#31 Days of Hope - Isabel

Newmarket, ON CHARITY

\$1,710 of \$35k

Raised by 22 people in 18 days

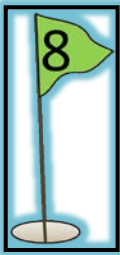
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Julie Irish



**(8) NEEDED for JUNE 15 GOLF FUNDRAISER**

**WE'RE CROWD-FUNDING**  
PLEASE SHARE OUR [GO FUND ME LINK\\*](#)



THANK YOU

**Volunteer Appreciation Dinner**



**SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>**  
*SAVE the DATE* for the  
**VOLUNTEER**  
**APPRECIATION DINNER**  
Same location as last year:  
**THE SHED (on Bayview)**

**NISSAN** NEWMARKET NISSAN  
Presents

**TEE-OFF FOR HOSPICE**

Sponsored in part by our Gold Sponsors

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**Doane House Hospice**  
14th Annual Golf Tournament

Location, Date & Time:  
Silver Lakes Golf and Country Club  
21114 Yonge St., East Gwillimbury  
Wednesday, June 15, 2016  
Tee-Off at 8:30 a.m.  
\$195 per golfer

Registration includes:  
- Golf Cart & Green Fees  
- Buffet Lunch  
- Prizes  
- Raffle  
- Live Auction

Register  
at Doane House Hospice  
call 905-967-0259 or  
[www.doanehospice.org](http://www.doanehospice.org)



2005	Dianna Durisin
2006	Trudy Schneider
2007	Bron Sarabun
2008	Elizabeth Campbell Brown
2009	Carol Smart Babuik
2010	Anna Zuccon
2011	Una Walshe
2012	Karen Faris
2013	Susan Henderson Harris
2014	Suzanne Henderson
2015	Christine Kerr

We appreciate and recognize *every* Volunteer, as each of you has skills benefiting DHH and the people we support in ways as unique and valuable as **YOU** are.

Sadly, there are limited opportunities for us to do that formally, but this month we congratulate and recognize **Raymond Mark** and also:

**Aida Batten** and **Betty Holder** for their inclusion as *York Region Character Community Awardees* and these six DHH volunteers awarded *The Province of Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration Volunteer Service Award* for continuous years of commitment and dedicated service to our organization.

ONTARIO VOLUNTEER SERVICE <i>Awards</i>	<b>5 YEARS</b>	Gary Gilbert, Michael Rankin, Barb Beamish, Dale Caranci
	<b>10 YEARS</b>	Bill Marshall
	<b>20 YEARS</b>	Barb Dymott

**ABOUT RAYMOND:** Raymond Mark, our 2016 June Callwood Circle Awardee is a psychotherapist with his own private practice, who specializes in grief counseling. He's also a committed DHH volunteer who generously donates one day, each week to our bereaved clients.

Three years ago, Raymond became curious about palliative care. Reading led to course work. A desire to give back to the community and volunteering with DHH seemed a natural fit. He enrolled in the five-week training program and was, initially, an Oasis Program Volunteer. It wasn't long before Raymond moved to where he felt he could make the strongest contribution – bereavement support. Now, one day a week, Raymond does assessments and facilitates 1:1 counseling sessions with DHH clients. His empathy and professional skills help support our clients along their grief journeys.

Raymond loves the atmosphere at Doane House and the people who he describes as “marvelous.” He feels humbled in being granted the opportunity to volunteer in the way he does and says he is honoured to be entrusted to supporting people in their bereavement.

Thanks Raymond, for making DHH a part of your week. You make a difference. Congratulations on being inducted into the June Callwood Circle. Well deserved!

*(read more about Raymond Mark in the Vol Café: “Getting to Know You” page.)*



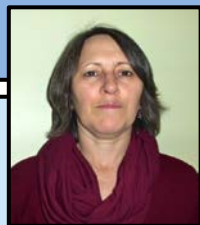
**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**RAYMOND MARK**

Doane House Hospice's  
2016 June Callwood  
Circle of Outstanding Volunteers  
Awardee

## VIEW FROM THE FRONT LINES...

Ellen de Guerre shares her experience of attending

### the HPCO ANNUAL CONFERENCE



Meeting with like-minded people, sharing stories and thoughts, fantastic food and inspirational messages...what's not to like?

I've been a volunteer with Doane House Hospice for over a year now, going into client's homes and visiting with them while their caregivers are out getting a break or attending programs at Doane House. I am inspired by these families' journeys and eager to learn more about hospice, palliative care and how I can better honour these folks as they allow me to participate in their journeys.

The Annual HPCO Conference fit the bill perfectly! I read about it in the February Volunteer Newsletter and found I could register for half-price if I attended as a volunteer and assisted for up to three hours each day of the conference. The volunteering part was easy and fun and consisted of assisting people to register or directing them to their workshops and other duties as assigned. In my case, I still got to attend the breakout workshops and they were amazing!

The breakout sessions were categorized by streams and included a Volunteer Management stream; so many of those workshops in particular, were relevant to me. I found every keynote presentation and workshop inspiring and educational, but particularly enjoyed "Holding the Space – Creating a Container to Hold Complex Emotions at End of Life" and "Managing Difficult Conversations in Palliative Care".

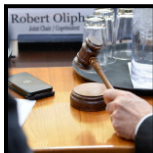
All in all, it was a wonderful way to spend a few days learning more about this most important topic about which I am very passionate. Thanks to Doane House Hospice and HPCO for the opportunity!



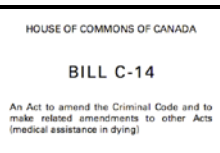
**HPCO**  
Hospice Palliative Care Ontario

ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
APRIL 17-18, 2016

**PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER**  
Collaborating for Quality Hospice Palliative Care in Ontario



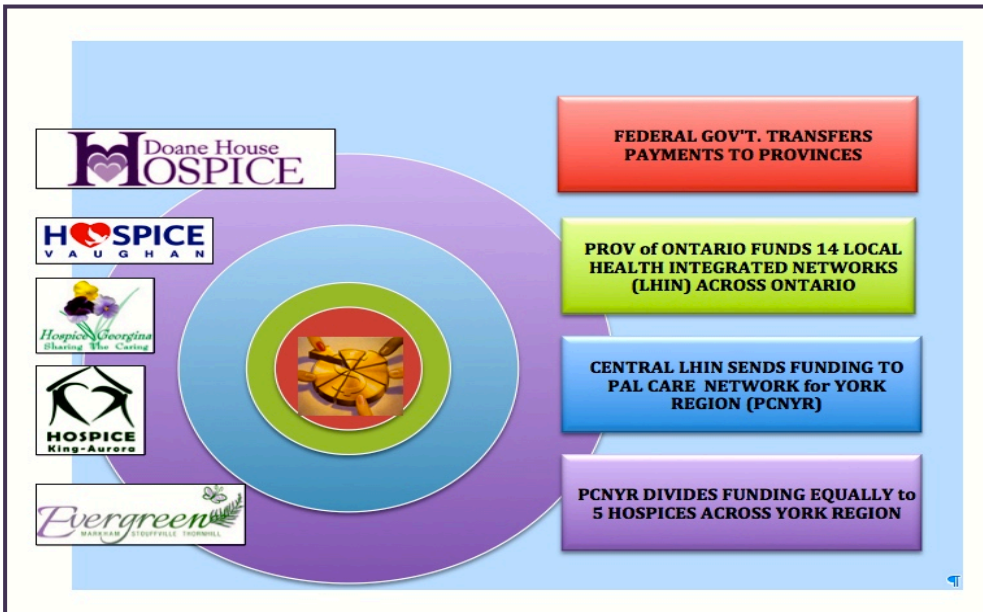
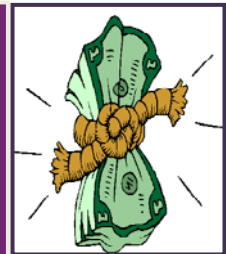
### BILL C-14 M.A.I.D update:



Details regarding the Liberal's draft legislation for Bill C-14 were made public just as the April E-News was published. The draft rejected key recommendations made by the joint committee. Notable omissions included: the non-inclusion of assisted dying for the mentally ill, no allowance for advance directives and limiting M.A.I.D to those 18 yrs. or older. As anticipated, considerations and most other details about how assisted dying will be made available to Canadians are up to provinces and territories to decide. And contentious issues such as conscientious objections by practitioners or religious health care institutions were not part of the draft. Some argue that the draft legislation is not "Carter and Charter compliant" with narrower parameters than those set in the 2015 Carter ruling. But Parliament is not bound to the conditions laid out in *Carter v Canada*. Time's running out! The legislation now goes through the parliamentary process, with the likelihood of amendments along the way. It then goes to the Senate for its approval. Will it be a free or whip vote? Hopefully, the final legislation will be a collaborative law, allowing the input of all members and respectful of all Canadians and their Charter rights.

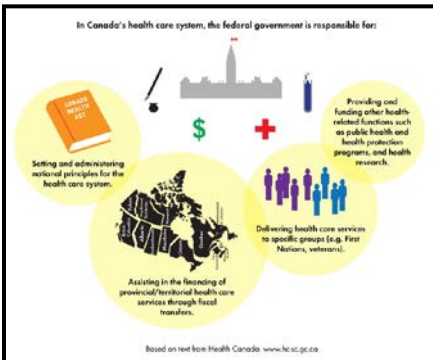


# JUST HOW SQUEEZED DOES A GOVERNMENT FUNDED \$\$\$ GET BEFORE IT GETS TO DHH??



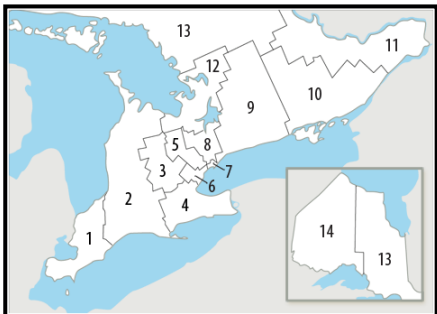
**Short answer? A LOT!!!**

As shown in the pictures below, a Government funded \$ is *really* stretched along its way to Hospices like ours: from Federal coffers to each province, to the LHIN we're in. (#8) Then, \$\$\$ in our Central LHIN are allocated to many health programs. Currently, PCNYR receives and disperses equally to 5 area Community Hospices. The \$ amount received has not increased in many years – nor does it take into account the # of client's served, or as is the case with DHH, the continuing increase in requests for services/support.



WHAT EACH PROVINCE WILL GET FROM FEDERAL TRANSFERS 2015/16

Province	Equalization (\$M)	CHT (\$M)	CST (\$M)	Total (\$M)
Newfoundland and Labrador	\$0	\$501	\$191	\$692
Prince Edward Island	\$361	\$140	\$53	\$554
Nova Scotia	\$1,690	\$897	\$342	\$2,929
New Brunswick	\$1,669	\$718	\$273	\$2,660
Quebec	\$9,521	\$7,852	\$2,990	\$20,363
Ontario	\$2,363	\$13,091	\$4,986	\$20,440
Manitoba	\$1,738	\$1,230	\$468	\$3,436
Saskatchewan	\$0	\$1,081	\$412	\$1,493
Alberta	\$0	\$3,966	\$1,511	\$5,477
British Columbia	\$0	\$4,439	\$1,690	\$6,129



In 2013/14, Central LHIN's budget of \$1.9 billion was allocated across a range of health programs through 112 Service Accountability Agreements delivered by our health service providers, including

- Six public and two private hospitals
- 46 long-term care homes
- 33 community support service providers
- 21 mental health and addictions service providers
- One community care access centre (CCAC)
- Two community health centres

*Note that some health service providers deliver care and services in multiple sectors.*

### Your Local Health Integration Network

Central LHIN is geographically varied and comprises sections of northern Toronto, a portion of Etobicoke, most of York Region and South Simcoe County. As a funder, planner and manager of the local health system, Central LHIN works to identify priorities, allocate resources and plan for appropriate services to improve the health care system for everyone.



# LINKS >>

FROM PAGE 2 - LINK TO: DHH "gofundme" crowdsourcing campaign:

<https://www.gofundme.com/doanehouse>

LINK TO: the 4 articles series: "To the better end" printed every Thursday in April in the *Era* Banner: <http://www.yorkregion.com/yorkregion-topics/6456243-to-the-better-end>



## How about starting a 'GOOD READS' LIST for DHH VOLUNTEERS?



The invitation to submit a good read pertaining to hospice/bereavement has resulted in *just ONE ENTRY!*  
It's a good one! (details in the Café)...

BUT there *must* be other favourites out there!

**BOOKS - VIDEO - MOVIE**

Email your suggested reading with *WHY* you'd recommend it to others.

If *YOUR* recommendation makes the list – your name will be entered into a draw to **WIN** a Chapters/Indigo GIFT CARD.

Draw to take place during the

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION CELEBRATION on September 13<sup>th</sup>**

Or...

**SHARE  
YOUR  
STORY**

Of being  
a...

hospice  
**Volunteer**

