

# Bennett to get \$3M boost

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Bennett Health Care Centre is a step closer to getting approximately \$3 million in funding for its proposed supportive living building.

Halton Region's Health and Social Services Committee supported a recommendation Tuesday to give the project—called Scottsdale Place at Bennett Village—\$2.3 million from its Investment in Affordable Housing for Ontario (IAH) program along with an additional \$800,000 in Region funding to provide several below average market rent units in the facility.

The IAH finding is to be used to create 16-one bedroom affordable rental units for seniors, and the additional funds are to ensure that six more one bedroom below average market rent units are built.

Scottsdale Place is the third phase of Bennett Health Care Centre's master plan for the property. The proposed \$30

million project is an eight-storey, 100-unit supportive living and assisted living apartment building for seniors.

It is to include a seniors' club/wellness centre and is to be built across the road from The Bennett Gallery on Halton Hills Dr. The target completion date is 2016.

The Bennett Health Care Centre project was submitted in February after the Region put out a call for proposals for affordable housing communities to be developed under the IAH. The Bennett project was the only proposal submitted.

"It's a great project for the town and I was glad to see the Region support it," said Halton Hills Regional Councillor Jane Fogal.

The recommendation is expected to be considered by Regional Council Dec. 11. If approved by Council, the Region will then request approval for the IAH funding allocation to the Bennett Centre project from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.



## Sally Ann Kettle Campaign kicks off

The Salvation Army in Georgetown kicked off its annual kettle campaign as representatives (from left) Major Lise Jackson, Halton Hills Mayor Rick Bonnette, volunteer Fulton Lynds, Community Ministry Worker Emily Allen and Major Darrell Jackson assembled at centre court of Georgetown Market Place Thursday night. The local campaign has a fundraising goal of \$90,000 within the Georgetown area. Monetary donations can be made at any of the kettle locations throughout Georgetown, in person at the church office or online by VISA or Mastercard at [www.georgetowncommunitychurch/donate](http://www.georgetowncommunitychurch/donate). Toy donations can be dropped off at Georgetown Market Place in the designated toy bin or at the church office by appointment.

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