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Village of Empress
Public Announcement
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Exciting News for Empress – A New Healing Centre is Coming

To all residents of the Village of Empress and surrounding communities:

The Village of Empress is pleased to announce the sale of the former hospital buildings (both the original facility and the 1980s structure), along with three adjacent residential lots, to a corporation dedicated to opening a recovery and healing centre right here in our village.

This new centre — focused on wellness, recovery, and long-term healing — will carry forward Empress's proud legacy as a place of care and compassion. The developers have expressed a clear commitment to hiring local staff once the facility is operational, ensuring economic benefits and job opportunities stay within our community.

We want to be clear: this is not an injection site or emergency clinic, but a purpose-built space designed to support people on their healing journey.

The official closing date for the sale is October 2025, and Village Administration is already working closely with the purchaser and the Development Authority to support the development permit process. Council would like to acknowledge the dedicated leadership and vision that made this possible — this project aligns directly with Empress's goals for growth, renewal, and wellness.

We understand that people will have questions, and the most common will be: "What kind of facility is this?"

It's a recovery centre — a healing place — one that fosters dignity, care, and second chances. The Village is committed to transparent communication and will share additional details as the project progresses in 2026 and beyond.

This is a transformative opportunity for our region. Thank you for your continued trust and support as Empress steps into this new and hopeful chapter.

Sincerely,
Mayor Martin and Council
Village of Empress