

Director Opportunity

About

Ellwood House is an affordable apartment building for seniors in Ottawa's Alta Vista neighbourhood. Established in 1988 on the campus of St. Thomas church, it is a successful non-profit corporation, providing housing to 36 tenants, some paying low market rent, others paying rent geared to income.

The Ellwood House Extension

Our exciting new project is the extension of the building, doubling its size and providing 38 more affordable one-bedroom apartments. The Ellwood House Extension's site plan has been approved; significant funding has been awarded by the City, the Province, and CMHC. With support from Turner & Townsend, Colizza Bruni Architecture, and McDonald Brothers Construction, we expect to break grround in early 2026.

Board of Directors

Ellwood House is managed by a volunteer board of directors, assisted by a non-profit property management company. We currently have openings for new directors, as we have recently updated our board structure. We would prefer candidates with experience in one or more of the following areas: finance, project management, the law, housing, communications, fundraising, construction, as well as an interest in improving the lives of seniors in our community. Bilingualism would be an asset.

It is a working board, meeting once a month, with email discussion between meetings. We are a congenial group, excited to be scaling up Ottawa's supply of affordable housing.

Contact

For further information please contact the Ellwood House board secretary, Michele Bédard, at michelebedard@bell.net and visit our website at www.ellwoodhouse.ca.