COVID Statement 3/27/2020

The Wings Home is an end of life care home for Wings of Hope Hospice patients in the last weeks of their lives. We served our first guest in October of 2010. Since that time, we have served more than 700 individuals.

There is no charge to guests to stay at the Wings Home.

COVID-19 has changed lives – and deaths – in a very short period of time. Fear of the virus is palpable on the national scene because it is unpredictable, uncontrollable and sustained.

On March 26, 2020, the Wings Home Board of Directors determined that as long as we have caregivers, the Wings Home will remain open and will continue to serve dying individuals that are admitted through Wings of Hope Hospice.

The Wings Home is an essential non-profit agency and will keep operating during Michigan's shelter-in-place period.

Most of the Wings Home caregivers are volunteers. Many Wings Home volunteers are doubling and even tripling their volunteer commitment to come to the Wings Home and care for guests. This amazing group of individuals provides the care that a family would typically provide for a loved one who is dying: changing briefs, turning, cooking, feeding and doing laundry.

The Wings Home is taking every proper precaution: one visitor at a time; visitors exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms may not enter; and cleaning and disinfecting the Home on every shift. Wings of Hope Hospice is screening Wings Home patients prior to admission and periodically thereafter for COVID-19 symptoms.

Volunteers serving the Wings Home save the organization thousands of dollars every year. This enables the Home to accommodate guests at no charge. During the COVID-19 pandemic however, the Board anticipates needing to use more paid staff to care for patients. Although the Wings Home possesses some financial reserves, it may not be enough. The Wings Home welcomes and sincerely appreciates all donations in support of its mission.

Despite the fact that the Wings Home may exceed its 2020 budget, it will remain open to serve dying individuals because that is its sole purpose.

Thank you for your continued support.