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## PRESS RELEASE

### **Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Village announces partnership with triOS College for new Personal Support Workers training through Living Classroom Grant.**


**June 2024 – St. Catharines, Ontario** – Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Village is pleased to announce a strategic partnership with triOS College for onsite, real time personal support workers training and education. Made possible through the Living Classroom Grant from the Government of Ontario, a new onsite training classroom and facility is being constructed at Niagara Ina Grafton facility in St. Catharines and set to start accepting students in the fall of 2024.

The Living Classroom is an innovative partnership model that integrates education directly into a long-term care or retirement home, fostering workforce development in senior living. This collaboration brings together students, faculty, and the home's residents, visitors, and staff, creating a culture of shared learning and mutual benefit.

Personal Support Worker students at triOS College's new St. Catharines campus at Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Village, will benefit from a comprehensive learning environment in a dedicated classroom within our Long-Term Care home and retirement community. This includes theoretical lessons, practical labs, and hands-on placements, ensuring they are well-prepared for the workforce with skills to deliver high-quality and compassionate care. The collaborative learning opportunity will integrate education with our organizational practices by gaining real-life and hands-on experience. Our graduates will therefore be more workforce-ready and better prepared for a career in senior living not only in the Niagara Ina Grafton community but also in the larger Niagara Region.

"We are thrilled to host the delivery of the PSW Living Classroom program offered by triOS College. I am confident that when this project begins, we will be able to strengthen community partnerships by supporting other local homes in our region with qualified PSW students. We have all been challenged with unprecedented staffing shortages and it is our hope that this program will be able to provide a much needed injection of new staff to all homes in the Niagara Region" said Jerry Boichuk, CEO of Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Village.

"This is an incredible opportunity not only for the students but also for our residents and our staff who will become the mentors and leaders for the development of workforce-ready health care professionals. We are looking forward to creating a hub of excellence in senior care in partnership with an important educational institution like triOS College." Stated Claudia D'Jesus, Human Resources Manager, Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Village.



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### **About Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Village:**

Since 1959, Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Village has been a vibrant and welcoming retirement community in the heart of St. Catharines, Ontario. With a rich history and a strong commitment to quality care, Niagara Ina Grafton offers a range of accommodations and services designed to meet the diverse needs of seniors.

The community features a variety of living options with residents as young as 55 years old living independently, those that require onsite assisted living services and as well, a 40 bed Long Term Care Unit. The property in St. Catharines includes life lease Bungalows and apartments, rental apartments and bachelor suites.

At Niagara Ina Grafton Gage Village, our mission is to enhance the quality of life for seniors by fostering a community that promotes dignity, independence, and active living.

For more information, visit our website at [niagarainagrafton.ca](http://niagarainagrafton.ca)

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### **About triOS College**

The mission of triOS College Business Technology Healthcare Inc. is to help students become job-ready graduates. triOS College is a private career college with 9 campuses across Ontario focused on providing practical hands-on training that students need to be successful in their chosen careers.

Canadian-owned and operated, triOS College is proud to be recognized as one of Canada's Best Managed Companies for fourteen years in a row. triOS has been awarded the Platinum designation for redefining post-secondary education by listening to students and employer needs to deliver effective results. Since its inception in 1992, triOS College has prepared over 40,000 job-ready graduates for rewarding careers.

For more information on triOS College's program offerings campuses, and online programs please visit [www.triOS.com](http://www.triOS.com).