



## **COVID-19 UPDATE**

### **AND OTHER HELPFUL INFORMATION**

***For Residents, Family Members, and Staff***

**Wednesday, January 6, 2021**

#### **Cumulative Active COVID-19 Cases at The Pines (1/6/2021)**

Health Center Staff: 1 Case

Non-Health Center Staff: 2 Cases

#### ***A Note from Heather McKee, Interim President/CEO and Executive Director***

As I shared in my Morning Minutes message earlier this week (click here to view: [Minutes](#)), New Year's resolutions and goals are helpful ways to set focus and intention for our individual lives. During this hopeful yet still challenging time, we also have opportunities to consider our aspirations as a community: how can we together help shape a better Pines over the course of this year? My conversations with many of you during our Zoom forum discussions, email exchanges or phone calls provide me with both practical advice on how to improve services and aspirational visions of the community such as broader, cross-campus friendships, a deeper sense of the collective responsibility for each other and a greater engagement with the surrounding Davidson community. Your ideas are helping to strengthen The Pines' planning for the year and will help guide Vernon Baker when he arrives later this spring as the community's new CEO.



The resident satisfaction survey is another helpful way to convey your experiences at The Pines. We encourage you to complete this survey if you have not already done so. And I am grateful for the perspectives and collaborative efforts of the Residents' Association, particularly as it charts its plans for the year.

The COVID-19 vaccine is primary on everyone's mind, and I hope that my communications yesterday regarding The Pines' efforts to access this vaccine for the community has been

helpful. There are no arrangements available to us as yet for the distribution of this vaccine at The Pines, but we continue to do all we can to make this possible, when this does become available. Until then, we will provide helpful information as it become available. Thank you for your inquiries and understanding during this unsettling but ultimately, hopeful time.

## **ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND INFORMATION**

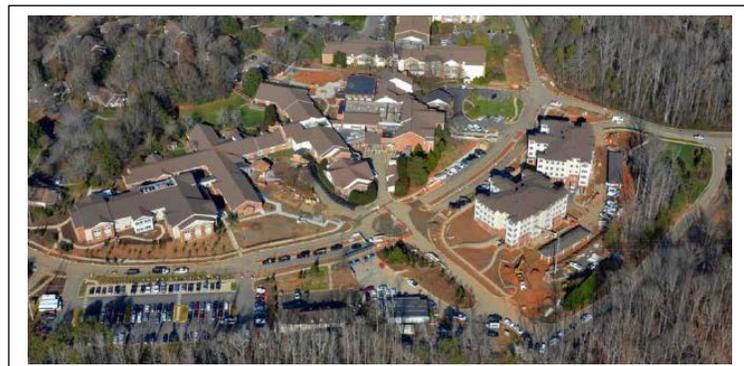
### **Resident Satisfaction Surveys**

We ask all Independent Living residents to please complete and mail in your resident satisfaction survey to Holleran if you have not already done so. Our goal is 70% resident participation, which is the minimum statisticians say is needed for meaningful results. In past years, residents have participated well above that level, but we are not at that level yet this year. Thank you for your engagement in this process. Please call the front desk at ext. 1100 if you have any questions.

### **Construction Corner**

Rodgers Builders has resumed providing its weekly Updates, which one can read here: [Rodgers](#). Many elements of the expansion and renovation project are nearing completion. Here are some highlights of work being done this week:

- **Pub/Marketplace:** Wall and Ceiling devices continue; final paint, appliance installation.
- **Villa #1:** Systems testing, exterior caulking/painting, punch list.
- **Davidson Room:** final paint as well as fixture and device install continues.
- **Fitness Center:** Drop ceiling tile, finishes at tie-in area.
- **Sitework:** Topsoil placement and irrigation ongoing at Villas; Health Center loop drive storm drainage, curb and sidewalk to resume pending weather.
- **Photos (clockwise from left):** Marketplace; lighting in Heritage (waited service dining); Davidson room; aerial of campus; traffic circle.



## Future Updates

Beginning today, the weekly Wednesday COVID-19 Updates will be the only Update that is emailed to the community. Special edition COVID-19 Updates (which report only on new cases of COVID-19 on campus) will continue to be placed on our Pines' website in the COVID-19 section, but they will not be emailed. Independent Living residents without internet access will continue to receive a paper copy of all Updates. We encourage you to bookmark and click on the following link to read any unscheduled COVID-19 Update announcements that may arise: [COVID-19](#)

## Culinary & Dining Services

J. Paul Keiser, Director of Culinary and Dining Services, is currently on medical leave. Corey Ferris is now serving as Acting Director of Culinary and Dining Services.

## Closing Image

Kale, pansies, and sedum on a frosty Saturday morning.

