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Better care for pensioners



*An artist's impression of the entrance and driveway of
TLC Aged Care's Forest Lodge in Frankston North.*

Building works have commenced on TLC Aged Care's Forest Lodge Residential Aged Care home in Frankston North bringing much needed aged care facilities to the region – and an employment boost.

Located in Stringybark Crescent, the residential aged care home has a building permit for 180 beds.

TLC Aged Care Chairman, Dr John Leaper announced today "of these 180 beds, we are planning to make more than 100 available for concessional Residents, or available to Residents who receive an income support payment or meet other concessional Resident criteria.

"We're thrilled that works are now underway. Our sights are set on completion of the property by the end of 2008. It's great news that we'll be able to provide a home for so many elderly residents from Frankston and surrounding areas," he said.

TLC Aged Care is a private, family-owned company, owning and operating eight aged care homes in Melbourne and Geelong. All homes are fully accredited by the Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency.

On completion, Forest Lodge will add to Frankston North's other community assets such as a youth centre and schooling facilities.

And the employment boost will be significant. When the home is fully operational, more than 150 positions will be filled for roles such as personal care workers, nursing, administration, catering, cleaning and lifestyle.

Representatives from Frankston Council have met with TLC Aged Care in recent months in the lead up to the commencement of building works.

"We're grateful for the support and commitment of Frankston City Council representatives who we met with again last week," said Dr Leaper. Council representatives toured a recently completed TLC Aged Care home in Noble Park to get an idea of the style, design and functioning of a property similar to that of Forest Lodge.

"I'm sure they were impressed with the facilities and approach we take to the design and operation of aged care homes. We truly are focused on providing a high quality 'home away from home' for residents," said Dr Leaper.

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An artist's impression of the paved, outdoor courtyard areas planned for TLC Aged Care's Forest Lodge residential aged care home.



An artist's impression of the front entrance and perspective of TLC Aged Care's Forest Lodge residential aged care home.



Residents Mr and Mrs Francis enjoying the comfortable facilities in the living room of a TLC Aged Care home.