

# Terra View Homes Recognized for Healthy Housing™ Practices

GUELPH, March 4, 2009 — Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) honoured Terra View Homes today under the CMHC Healthy Housing™ Recognition Program for its efforts in building healthier homes.

“CMHC recognizes Terra View Homes for its dedication to building healthy, energy efficient homes that also incorporate design principles for seniors who plan to remain in their home for as long as possible,” said Peter Friedmann, Ontario General Manager, CMHC.

Terra View Homes integrate on-site renewable energy, rainwater harvesting and grey water recycling systems in their Guelph Rotary Green Dream Home, which is currently under construction. The home’s features include recycled building materials, locally-produced stone and brick, and improved indoor air quality through the use of zero emission products and superior ventilation. The barrier-free design can be adapted to meet changing occupant needs and reduces future renovation costs.

“The entire staff at Terra View Homes feel that this is the perfect opportunity to showcase a way of building a healthier, more energy efficient home, which will have positive health benefits while reducing the impact of construction on the environment,” said David Brix, Vice President, Terra View Homes.

Terra View Homes is based in Guelph, Ontario and builds award-winning homes in the Guelph, Waterloo, Kitchener and Cambridge areas. The company has completed more than 3,000 homes in the past 18 years. The company was recognized by CMHC on February 7 at the Guelph and District Home Builders’ Association Annual President’s Ball.

CMHC Healthy Housing™ Recognition Program honours builders and others in Ontario who put their knowledge of CMHC’s five Healthy Housing™ principles into practice. These five principles include: occupant health, energy efficiency, resource efficiency, environmental responsibility, and affordability. The program recognizes housing industry professionals who demonstrate their knowledge by building, renovating or designing a home that meets criteria under the principles.

As Canada’s national housing agency, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) draws on more than 60 years of experience to help Canadians access a variety of quality, environmentally sustainable, and affordable homes — homes that will continue to create vibrant and healthy communities and cities across the country.

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