



# FAQs

*Do you provide accommodation for couples?*

Our self-contained apartments offer one-bedroom units that could accommodate couples.

*May I apply if I am not yet 65 years old?*

Our residents must be 65 years of age or over. Exceptions are made for a couple in which at least one is 65 years or older.

*What will my rent be?*

In our self-contained apartments, our rent is “Rent Geared to Income” (RGI), which uses 30% of the applicant’s income derived from Line 150 of current Notice of Assessment Tax Form, to a maximum rent ceiling of \$875.00

**\*Exception:** Foster Manor has a maximum rent ceiling of \$650.00.

*Are TV and Telephone services included in the rent?*

TV and telephone services are the responsibility of the resident. You can choose from any of the service providers available (e.g., Telus, Shaw, Bell, etc.). There are existing telephone and cable lines in each unit for your use. You are responsible for connecting, disconnecting and paying for your own services.

**\*Exception:** In Meridian Pioneer Manor, bulk cable is set up for all units. An extra **mandatory** charge will be added to your rent for this service.

*Are there any deposits required?*

A security deposit of \$300.00 is required.

*Is parking available, such as underground or covered parking?*

Limited parking spaces with electrical plug-ins are available for a monthly fee for residents who have a vehicle and a valid driver’s license. There are no underground or covered parking areas. There are currently waiting lists for parking in most our facilities.

*Do you allow smoking?*

As per Provincial Government legislation, all our buildings are smoke-free and smoking is not allowed in any resident suites or common areas. This includes marijuana smoke and vaping. Growth of marijuana plants is also prohibited in Meridian Foundation buildings.

*Do you allow pets?*

Unfortunately pets are not allowed in any of our Buildings. “Visiting” pets are welcome but long term/overnight visits are not allowed.



**RESIDENT APPLICATION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

*Self-Contained Units*

### *Can I participate in the Lodge activities, programs or special events?*

Residents in our apartments are also able to take part in the Lodge events. A monthly event calendar is available from the Activity Coordinator.

### *How long do I wait once I apply?*

Once you have submitted your application, medical assessment form and supporting documentation, you should arrange for an interview to assess your suitability for housing with Meridian Foundation. A successful applicant will have their application priority rated and will be offered a suite if one is available. If no suite is available, the applicant will be added to our waiting lists. We cannot estimate or guarantee wait times as it is based on priority ratings (not 'first-come first-serve') and lists may fluctuate.

### *What are the room dimensions?*

The one-bedroom suites are approximately as follows:

- Alberta Rose Manor - 565 ft<sup>2</sup>
- Diamond Jubilee Manor - 560 ft<sup>2</sup>
- Meridian Pioneer Manor - 570 ft<sup>2</sup>
- Spruce Haven Manor - 580 ft<sup>2</sup>
- Foster Manor - 700 ft<sup>2</sup>, with in suite laundry room

### *Can I purchase (or bring) my own air conditioning unit?*

All units must be approved by Meridian Foundation management prior to installation. You will be invoiced for an additional electricity charge of \$60 once a year.

### *Are there laundry facilities available?*

A common laundry room is available for resident use on each floor of our buildings. Machine use is free to all residents. Residents must supply their own HE laundry soap and laundry supplies.

