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## Alberta government provides an additional \$661,000 to complete supportive living units in St. Albert

*St. Albert...* The Government of Alberta is providing \$661,000 to help complete the construction of 30 affordable, supportive living units in St. Albert, bringing total government funding for the project to nearly \$2 million.

The new funding was announced by Doug Horner, MLA for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, and Greg Melchin, Minister of Seniors and Community Supports.

“As Alberta’s population grows, so does the need for affordable supportive living for seniors,” said Horner. “By investing in additional units at the Rosedale assisted living facility for St. Albert, we can offer more residents quality care in safe, home-like settings.”

“Seniors want to live as independently as they can,” said Melchin. “These investments in supportive living give Albertans an option that both meets their needs and enhances their quality of life.”

The funding is part of \$25 million in top-up funding recently allocated to assist with increased costs for projects under the province’s Rural Affordable Supportive Living (RASL) program. Rosedale Developments received \$1.3 million through RASL in March 2006. With \$661,000 in top-up funding, the Alberta government’s total investment in the Rosedale assisted living facility for St. Albert project is nearly \$2 million. Rosedale Developments, the Capital Health Region and the city of St. Albert are also partners in the project.

“This additional funding is wonderful news for St. Albert and our surrounding area,” said Lorenzo Clonfero, President of Rosedale Developments. “We’re pleased to partner with the Government of Alberta on this project.”

Increasing the availability of affordable supportive living options is part of Premier Ed Stelmach’s plan to secure Alberta’s future by building communities, greening our growth and creating opportunity.

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