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## **Residents moving back into new Hillside Village buildings**

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Greetings From Hillside Village!!! We are back. This huge new building is nearly finished. Some of us are back with many more new people gradually joining us. 32 brand new apartments.

We are so glad to be back near the Harbor Springs downtown area where we can again hear the church bells, see the Christmas tree and walk to the Post Office.

The apartments have pretty views of the neighborhood and the hill. Inside it is long hallways that are carpeted with hand rails and picturesque light fixtures. We are encouraged to walk for exercise with two floors of long hallways. The snow doesn't bother us.

It has taken fourteen months to tear down the old and build the new. 24 of us, singles or couples had to move and join our families, live in condos, live at Birchwood Inn or leave the area. And, we made it!

These new apartments are giving us lot of new ideas about comfort and convenience. It takes awhile to get used to. All apartments are wheelchair accessible in that we have wide doors and wide halls and the balconies are about a third bigger than before. The bathrooms are big and the toilet seats higher. The showers have water only at the best and safe temperature with a low lip for stepping in.

The windows are so clean with blinds that are easy to close and the window sills are extra wide. Each unit has it's own heating unit and handy storage area for shelves and hooks for brooms and mops.

Some of us who are willing to pay more have covered parking. Delightful!

The beauty does not just include the building but it extends to the surrounding landscaping. There is pretty fencing, shrubs and sidewalks. And our paved parking can't be beat.

Soon the Friendship Center will be done which is located on the first floor. There will be 2000 square feet of space and many services available to us which will include physical exercise every morning at 10 AM and lunch four days a week for the same \$2.50 per person.

Come see us. Let us show you how blessed we are. We thank PVM, this community and all the donors who help make it happen. Happy Holidays to all our friends and neighbors!

-Submitted by Jeanette Scheffler

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