



Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

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February 17th, 2014

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- January 1995 the Board approved the lease of Weeks House to the Friends for Life Society (FFL)
- Key terms included rent at \$1.00 a year and a lease term of 10 years with a 10 year option to renew
- FFL and supporters provided \$500,000 towards the buildings restoration

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- FFL Weeks House or the Diamond Center for Living is an innovative wellness center for people living with serious illness such as HIV/AIDS or cancer
- Volunteer provide over 60 different types of complimentary therapies:
 - Therapeutic massage
 - Naturopathy
 - Counselling
 - Nutritious meals
 - Social support services

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- FFL supports nearly 1000 clients each year
- FFL has kept Weeks House in good condition during the term of their lease



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