

## Press Release

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## Local charity Indwell wins national developer award

HAMILTON, ON – Indwell is very pleased to announce that Hamilton's Parkdale Landing project has won the national Green Building Excellence – Inspiring Home Award presented by the Canada Green Building Council. Indwell's industry-leading development team for Parkdale Landing included Invizij Architects, Schilthuis Construction, CK Engineering, and Kalos Engineering. Peel Passive House was the energy-efficiency consultant on the project.

Parkdale Landing, which officially opened in the fall of 2018, transformed the former George & Mary's Tavern into 57 affordable apartments with ground-floor commercial spaces and a community culinary centre. The Passive House standard for retrofit/adaptive-reuse projects, EnerPHit, provided the ambitious energy-efficiency standards, including air tightness threshold of 1 ACH50 (air changes per hour at 50 Pascals). The team of contractors led by Schilthuis Construction far exceeded this target, testing at 0.3ACH50 upon completion. The building is helping the development industry reimagine how possible it is to achieve significant energy and emissions reductions while still building to the highest quality and aesthetic standards. Parkdale Landing was also recently awarded a design award by the Hamilton Burlington Society of Architects (HBSA).

Indwell continues to pursue ambitious targets for affordable, energy-efficient multi-residential developments. The latest project is 50 additional new apartments at Parkdale Landing, with a public Project Launch event scheduled for **Tuesday**, **June 4th at 3:30pm**.

Jeff Neven, Executive Director at Indwell comments,

We are so pleased to have our projects catching the attention of people across Canada, because as our community decides that we care about ending homelessness, we can achieve so much by building new affordable housing. In fact, we're not only transforming lives, but we're renewing our urban fabric and taking meaningful action on addressing climate change, too. That's the power of investing for maximum public benefit in everything we do.

Emma Cubitt, Principal at Invizij Architects comments,

Our firm believes that every building we design can help our communities flourish, so we are pleased to be part of the Indwell team creating award-winning projects. Buildings like Parkdale Landing are showing that our local Hamilton development community is leading our country in adapting to new functional and performance needs of our built environment.

## From CaGBC's award criteria:

The Inspiring Home award is presented to the team responsible for outstanding achievements of a high-performing, sustainable residential project in Canada. The Inspiring Home award can be presented to: Homes (Single-family homes, duplexes and townhomes) or Multi-family Residential (Mid-Rise up to three stories, High-Rise of four stories or more). The winning project demonstrates a healthy and sustainable living environment for people, contributes to the betterment of the community, and demonstrates a commitment to sustainability with best practices in a broad range of sustainability criteria. These awards are open to newly constructed residential projects completed between 2015 and 2017 (1-3 years old). Canadian new construction projects registered for, or certified by a recognized green building standard or rating system are eligible and must clearly show how they respond to all award performance categories.

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