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Augustana Care Corporation Purchases Unique Memory Care Communities

We are pleased to announce that Augustana Care has purchased Emerald Crest Memory Care Communities.

“I am excited about this partnership with Emerald Crest,” said Tim Tucker, CEO of Augustana Care Corporation. “This merger will greatly complement our continuum of care by enhancing our memory care services and supporting the needs of future residents and their caregivers. Augustana Emerald Crest will offer seniors and their families a refreshing new option.”

Emerald Crest is a local, privately owned company, with memory care communities in Minnetonka, Burnsville, Shakopee and Victoria. Opened in 1998, Emerald Crest facilities are specifically designed and staffed to provide a superior cognitive care program for its memory challenged residents. Emerald Crest is an innovative model of senior housing based on both research and actual working experience which demonstrates how care for seniors with memory challenges is best accomplished in smaller, home-like residences where one's dignity, privacy, safety and quality of life can be preserved. The home-like environment is complimented with a [*unique cognitive care program](#) administered by Registered Occupational Therapists and support staff.

Augustana has maintained a reputation of quality of care and customer service while expanding its mission within Minnesota and beyond. Known for a strong commitment to its Christian heritage, Augustana's mission is centered on serving older adults through the provision of housing and health care. Augustana is a faith based not-for-profit organization that has served the senior population for over 115 years. Augustana is financially sound and owns facilities in Minneapolis, Hopkins, Burnsville, Dassel and Hastings, as well as managing facilities in Minneapolis, Fergus Falls, Montevideo and Sioux City, Iowa. Emerald Crest provides homes to 164 residents and employees 180 community members. With the addition of the Emerald Crest Communities, Augustana now provides homes and services for over 2500 seniors in 13 communities. The Emerald Crest Communities will immediately transition to their new names:

Augustana Emerald Crest of Burnsville
Augustana Emerald Crest of Minnetonka
Augustana Emerald Crest of Shakopee
Augustana Emerald Crest of Victoria

If you have questions, feel free to call Dave Saemrow, Corporate Director of Marketing and Public Relations, at 612-238-5208 or email Dave at dsaemrow@augustanacare.org.

Additional information about Augustana can be found on our website:

www.augustanacare.org

MISSION

The mission of Augustana Care Corporation is to serve God by fostering fullness of life for older adults and other people in need through the provision of healthcare, housing, and other services in a Christian environment.