

Rotary Club of Belleville – Service Above Self



Thank you, Belleville Rotarian Tim McKinney and his wife Judy for stepping up to make things better during the pandemic. Tim and Judy have had a couple of front-line nurses staying at one of their Airbnb's to protect their families. To reach out to the McKinneys email: info@loftbelleville.com

Ask any health care employee working during the Covid-19 pandemic and they will tell you one of the things they fear most is carrying the disease home to their family. One local couple has come up with a unique way to help out.

Tim and Judy McKinney have offered space at some of their rentals located in Belleville. Tim put the word out on social media saying "If any Physicians or Nurses or medical staff need accommodation during this pandemic, I have a 5 Bedroom AirBNB close to the hospital that is empty and ready for immediate occupancy. It is fully furnished and is comfortable if you need a place. No charge of course." Tim McKinney says "We thought there must be a need for some who can't go home. We couldn't believe the response." McKinney says he has heard from one nurse who is travelling from Bowmanville and another who lives with her elderly grandparents and did not want to risk them getting sick. He says they have several AirBnB's they are willing to offer space for those working in our hospitals who need it.



Belleville General Hospital Foundation Executive Director Steve Cook says "It is at a time like this when local businesspeople really step up. I have been speaking with some of the front-line team at Belleville General Hospital who talk about not going home because they do not want to put their families at risk. But where do they go? Bravo to the McKinney's for finding a wonderful way to give back."