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Expanding horizons

Pee Dee Gardens undergoing first addition in 16 years of service

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FLORENCE — Pee Dee Gardens, a DePaul senior living community, is expanding for the first time since being built 16 years ago.

The \$1.7 million project will see renovations and the addition of 12 new assisted living units scheduled to open early this year.

"Residents, their families and staff members are excited for these long anticipated renovations, which will bring Pee Dee Gardens in line with DePaul's high standards of quality," Pee Dee Gardens administrator Sherri Scott said.

In addition to the 12-unit expansion, the renovations will include new flooring, paint and lighting fixtures in resident's rooms, with updates to the barber/beauty salon, sun porches, library, dining areas and parlor.

Pee Dee Gardens is a 68-bed senior living community that offers fully furnished studios, deluxe studios, and one-and two-bedroom models. It offers 24-hour care along with memory care, serving those with Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia.

DePaul cares for more than 1,700 seniors at 14 other facilities in North Carolina and five in New York state.



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Pee Dee Gardens administrator Sherri Scott stands inside an example of one of the new studio-style assisted living units on Mondayat Pee Dee Gardens senior living community.