

We received a generous donation from Kanata United Church, and I wanted to thank you and the rest of our friends at your church for the generous donation to support the ministries of Matthew House Ottawa. We are so grateful!

It is a challenging time for us, as it is for many other charities, churches, businesses and families. But with the support of our community, we will get through this and continue to serve refugees and vulnerable families at their time of need.

Things are going well with the refugee claimants we welcome, all things considered. And demand remains strong for our furniture bank services. We recently re-opened a pared-down version of our operations with no-contact pickups and deliveries, to be able to furnish the homes of the most vulnerable families that are in dire need of furniture essentials.

And some hopeful news: it looks like we may be eligible for a government subsidy, which would make a big difference for us as we deal with the impact the pandemic is having on our operations. More details are coming soon, and I will be tracking that closely.

How are you holding up these days? Interesting time...

Thanks again for your generous gift. Please stay safe and healthy.

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[Last year](#) Matthew House Ottawa furnished 678 homes and helped 31 refugees to get on their feet.