

Dear members of Kanata Pastoral Charge (Kanata United),

Thank you so much for supporting United We Stand: the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council Campaign for Veterans' House. Your congregation raised a grand total of \$2,425.00 for United We Stand. All donations supported the capital campaign for Veterans' House: the Andy Carswell Building, Multifaith Housing Initiative's 40-unit facility with on-site supports for formerly homeless veterans.

We are simply overwhelmed with the incredible support for United We Stand. Individuals and churches throughout the United Church's Eastern Ontario Outaouais Region raised more than \$115,000 for the campaign. All donations were doubled by sponsor Commissionaires Ottawa, for a grand total of \$230,000. You can learn more about United We Stand, and other United Church supports for the Andy Carswell Building, at multifaithhousing.ca/united-we-stand.

## What's next?

As part of our wrap-up for the United We Stand campaign, there are two things we'd love your congregation to consider participating in!

Physically Distanced Virtual Cheque Presentation: Enclosed you will find a large United We Stand cheque. We encourage you to fill in the date with a black marker, snap a picture with a few congregation members in front of your church, and email the photo to communications@multifaithhousing.ca no later than December 31, 2021. We also encourage you to post your photo on social media. Please see the attached instruction sheet to learn more! If you think your pastoral charge/church's United We Stand total was calculated incorrectly, please email office.admin@multifaithhousing.ca to resolve the issue.













- Videos for your church services: MHI is working on three United We Stand wrap-up videos, which should be available for download at multifaithhousing.ca/united-we-stand no later than Wednesday, October 20, 2021. Any or all of these videos can be included in Remembrance Day services (or later in the year if you wish!). The set includes:
  - 1. A thank you video About United We Stand: A brief thank-you video to your church and members.
  - 2. New tour of Veterans' House (current as of October 2021): Tour inside the nowcompletely-furnished Andy Carswell Building!
  - 3. Press conference with a veteran: In response to popular demand, we have included a speech from veteran Bill Beaton in April 2021, who spoke at our press conference about the positive impact of the Andy Carswell Building.

Again, from the bottom of our hearts, thank you for supporting United We Stand. The United We Stand Campaign was the first cross-regional fundraising project of the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Region. We are simply overwhelmed and touched by the commitment of local United Churches. Thank you for partnering with MHI in our goal to help bring veteran homelessness to an end.

Sincerely,

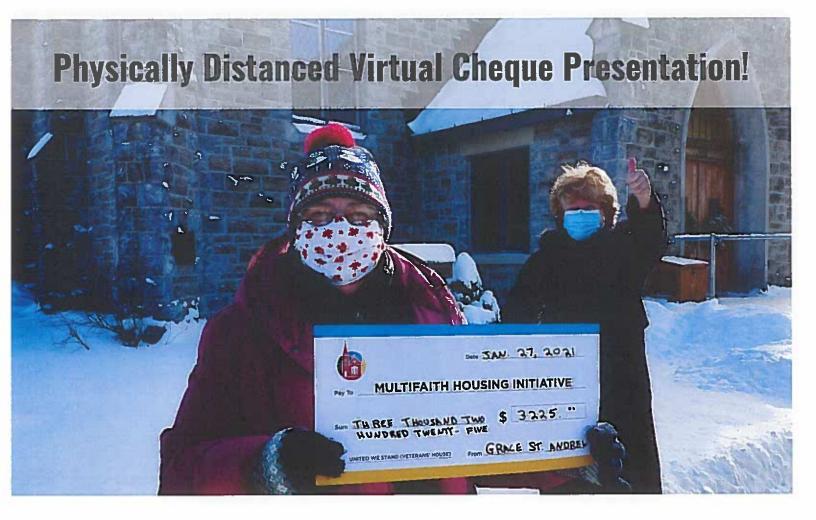
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MHI Executive Director









We would be delighted if your faith group would consider participating in our United We Stand Physically Distanced Virtual Cheque Presentation project! Enclosed you will find a large United We Stand cheque indicating how much your church/pastoral charge raised for United We Stand. We encourage you to fill in the date with a black marker, snap a picture featuring some of your church congregants, and email the picture to communications@multifaithhousing.ca no later than December 31, 2021.

## Instructions:

- Masking & physical distancing outdoors: Please take the photo outdoors, and ensure that all photo subjects are physically distanced. We would also appreciate the photo subjects to be masked.
- Cheque holder close up: Please assign one person to hold the cheque close to the camera so the information can be read.
- Share widely: We encourage our faith groups to share their cheque picture in newsletters and, if applicable, on your social media. You can tag/mention MHI on social media if you wish (see below for our handles).

Thanks again for supporting United We Stand!

Sincerely,

The United We Stand team

