

MAIN STREET PROJECT OPENING NEW SHELTER SPACE WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF PAYWORKS DONATION

December 13, 2020 – Main Street Project (MSP) is just about ready to open the doors of a new 14,000 sq. ft. shelter space with the help of a \$105,000 donation from Payworks.

This donation, made in recognition of Payworks' 20th anniversary, contributed to a \$2.5 million renovation of the old Mitchell Fabrics building in downtown Winnipeg. More than seven times larger than their original shelter space, this new facility will allow MSP to better and more safely serve the 1,500+ Winnipeggers experiencing homelessness, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The new shelter space will offer 120 single beds, as well as 10 public-access washrooms (including shower facilities and water bottle fill-ups stations); just as importantly, it also offers hope to those who need it most.

"One of the most meaningful changes in this new space is the inherent humanity in its design," says Anastasia Ziprick, MSP's Director of Development. "It's open, welcoming and filled with colour, warmth and natural light. Not only does this better support the dignity of our community members; it also helps a larger group of the most underserved Winnipeggers feel comfortable entering our space and accessing our resources. This renovation allows us to support more people and in a more meaningful way, and wouldn't be possible without the incredibly generosity of sponsors like Payworks."

"At Payworks, we believe that every individual has the right to dignity, respect and support," shares JP Perron, Payworks President and CEO. "We're so inspired by the team at Main Street Project and their vision for a more inclusive, healthier community that acknowledges and serves each individual's unique circumstances. To help bring this vision to life, in even just a small way, is a real privilege."

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