



FALL 2017 Rossbrook House Circle

"No child who does not want to be alone, should ever have to be" -Sister Geraldine MacNamara

YOUTH HOMELESSNESS

Rossbrook House was co-created with inner-city youth as a refuge from the negative influences of the streets. That's why the doors are open 365 days of the year and 24 hours every weekend as well as all school holidays. The centre is available overnight to youth (ages 13-24) who make a positive choice to steer clear of the partying lifestyle that includes drugs, alcohol and gang associations. Rossbrook accepts the reality of youth being out late night with few options for safe affordable places to socialize and find acceptance and belonging.

Rossbrook also plays a role in the prevention of youth homelessness. There are varying degrees of homelessness and Rossbrook deals with hidden homelessness, often referred to as 'couch-surfing.' The Rossbrook night shifts provide temporary shelter to some youth during a time of crisis until more stable housing can be found.

Since 2014 Rossbrook House has been an active partner in the development of a Winnipeg plan to end youth homelessness. The plan called, "Here and Now," was launched in 2016 and contains the wisdom of an impressive group of community based agencies, youth with lived experiences and front line workers. The plan is also informed by the latest national and city wide research on the causes and solutions for youth homelessness. It can be accessed online at www.hereandnowwinnipeg.ca

Many good things happen when we recognize that we are not separate from each other. When we house the homeless we come home to ourselves. No child who does not want to be alone, should ever have to be.

OPEN HOUSE & SCHOOL CRAFT SALE

Join us Thursday Nov 2, 11am-2pm

Start your holiday shopping

Education Award Ceremony begins 12:30pm

The Chipman Family Foundation generously donated 10 iPads to the Learning Always program.



THANK YOU

The St Charles' Ladies Invitational Golf Tournament once again raised \$50,000 for the Young Mothers' Program. Thank you to the organizing committee and all those who donated and participated for your generosity!

Like or Comment Please.

Happy #Halloween
Here's a throwback
to Halloween fun at
Rossbrook! #TBT

We appreciate our supporters and that's why we like to keep you informed with this newsletter. There are other ways to connect with Rossbrook on a daily basis. If you aren't already one of the 1600 who follows Rossbrook House on Instagram, Facebook or Twitter, we'd love it if you had a look. Even if you don't have your own account, you can still view the Rossbrook pages on these social media sites. We post photos and videos of programs and activities, like the day that the kids were painting the walls with their handprints! We also provide information on upcoming events. It's a great way to not miss a thing!

Go to Facebook, Twitter and Instagram daily
to see what's happening at Rossbrook House.
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100 children and families from Rossbrook House took part in the Wildest Dreams event at the Assiniboine Park Zoo. For the 2nd year in a row, we were treated to after-hours access to the zoo, food, face painting & so much more!

The Grill & Chill Community BBQ was a great way to say goodbye to summer, to celebrate the first day of school and to hang out with our neighbours.



The Rotary Leadership Circle participants had an amazing summer giving back to the community, touring local businesses and meeting inspirational speakers. Thank you to their leader Tristan Malcolm for organizing it all!



Thank you to Richardson International GenNext Winnipeg team for inviting the kids out to Kelburn Farm where they learned all about grains in the beautiful wide open space.



From going away to camp to making slime in the playroom, #Summer2017 was super active. There were glorious beach days, trips for ice cream, and fun outings! Our very own Summer Games wrapped it all up! Thanks to CIBC Children's Foundation Miracle Day Wood Gundy Employees, Winnipeg for providing funds for our Learning Always Summer Activities Program. And to The Winnipeg Foundation Camp & Summer Programming Grant for providing funds for Camp Maskwa and Beach Days programming.