



CHRIST CHURCH, DARTMOUTH

A People United in Justice and Love

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Vision and Mission Statement:

"We are called to be a radically inclusive, just, and loving community that seeks to love our neighbour through prayer, worship, action, and advocacy."

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Dear Neighbour,

I write you this letter as you may have heard of the possibility of a partnership between Christ Church and the Province of Nova Scotia. As you may be aware, homelessness is increasing in downtown Dartmouth. The Affordable Housing Association of Nova Scotia (AHANAS) estimates that there are roughly 690 people without a residence in the municipality.

The province is looking to operate a shelter in our Upper Hall between 8:00pm-8:00am for a possible period of a year. The shelter would house up to a maximum of 20 males. The start date will be December 1st. At this time the people of Christ Church wanted to reach out to you to so as a neighbourhood we can have a conversation about this opportunity to demonstrate some support for those in Dartmouth who are homeless, during these cold winter months.

On Sunday, November 20th at 1:00pm provincial officials along with leadership from Christ Church will host an open house in the Upper Hall (61 Dundas Street). Meredith Cowan, and Cyd Lepage from the Department of Community Services will join us to share details about the nature of the shelter, how it will operate, and answer any questions you may have. Marcus James of 902 ManUp who runs the provincial shelters will also be in attendance.

We hope you can join us in this conversation.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Dr. Kyle Wagner
Rector, Christ Church, Dartmouth