

#WhereHopeLives

As we welcome the warmth of spring and the promise of renewal, we are incredibly grateful for the unwavering support of our dedicated volunteers and generous donors throughout the winter months. Thanks to your support, our team at St. Matthew's House is able to continue to focus on lifting up the most vulnerable people among us – connecting them with the necessities of life such as food, housing and financial security.

We invite you to join us in our continued efforts to create positive change in our community. With your support, we have accomplished remarkable feats, but there is still much more work to be done.

This spring, we are thrilled to announce exciting fundraising events designed to bring our community together in support of St. Matthew's House. There are numerous opportunities for you to get involved and make an impact. Together, we can raise awareness and make this a season of hope and support for those who need it most.

As we embark on this new season, let us take this opportunity to foster hope and drive change together. With your ongoing support, we can cultivate a brighter future for every member of our community.

Thank you for being an essential part of our St. Matthew's House family!



Renée Wetselaar,  
Executive Director




**WALK FOR SMH**  
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**SATURDAY  
MAY 4, 2024**



## JOIN US AND HELP BUILD A COMMUNITY OF HOPE

Register now for a walking tour of Hamilton's North End, in partnership with the Workers Arts and Heritage Centre, to raise funds for St. Matthew's House, on Saturday, May 4 from 9:30am to 12pm.

Your participation will not only enrich your understanding of Hamilton's past but also actively support the multitude of programs and services that St. Matthew's House offers.

To learn more, sign-up, or sponsor a participant, please visit:  
<https://p2p-can.keela.co/walk-for-smh> or scan the QR code

PRESENTED BY JEFFREY HOLK, INVESTMENT ADVISOR  
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## ROCK REVIVAL: BUILDING HOMES FOR SENIORS AT RISK

AN EPIC EVENING OF ROCK AND ROLL TRIBUTE  
MAY 30, 2024, 8 PM  
MCINTYRE CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING  
ARTS, MOHAWK COLLEGE

FREE PARKING!  
TICKETS [BIT.LY/ROCKREVIVALSMH](https://bit.ly/rockrevivalsmh)



IN SUPPORT OF ST. MATTHEW'S HOUSE AND  
THE 412 BARTON PROJECT, BUILDING DEEPLY  
AFFORDABLE APARTMENTS FOR SENIORS  
FACING HOMELESSNESS.



# 412 Barton

412 Barton is an exciting new infill project featuring 15 deeply affordable apartments intended for seniors facing homelessness, with a special focus on Indigenous and Black older adults 55+.

St. Matthew's House will provide wraparound support with an onsite team to ensure the residents will thrive.



Do you want to be part of a real impactful solution to the affordable housing crisis? This project is being built this spring and you can be a part of it: <https://stmatthewshouse.ca/412-barton/>

## Cathedral Café - Warming Centre in partnership with Christ's Church Cathedral

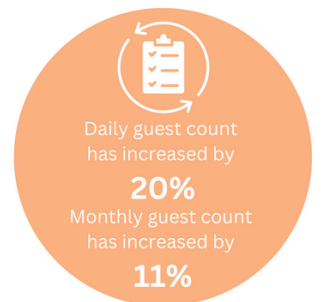


**10,000  
Unique  
Individuals**

have visited the warming centre since it opened in December 2023.



Scan here to read the full article.



**'They still need help':  
Hamilton drop-in aims to keep serving homeless past winter**



[www.stmatthewshouse.ca/help-us/donate-funds-2/](http://www.stmatthewshouse.ca/help-us/donate-funds-2/)

# Warming Bus



**A  
lifeline  
for people  
experiencing  
homelessness  
on chilly nights:  
Special overnight  
service offers  
food, resources  
and respite  
from the cold.**



Photo Credit: Tim McKenna

"Since December, the warming bus, staffed by St. Matthew's House outreach workers and driven by HSR operators, has typically picked up between 20 and 30 riders a night, the social-service agency says.

The homeless-serving bus is nearing the end of its inaugural season as part of the city's expanded December-through-March winter response program. It was launched amid an enduring homelessness crisis that has packed shelters and left parks dotted with tents.

It has offered a rolling safe space where people can warm up, grab some shut-eye, and have a snack under the supervision of trained staff."

Scan here to read the full story:



With your support, we can continue to build on these achievements and make an even greater impact within our community. The work of our Seniors and Street Outreach Team is just one example of the incredible transformations we can achieve when our community comes together.

Your monthly contributions give us the means to provide dependable, ongoing support to those we serve. It's key to helping us move beyond crisis management, band aid solutions and short-term fixes.

Imagine the impact a steady and predictable source of income can have on seniors and others in need, when we are able to consistently connect them with the necessities of life such as food, housing, mental health services and financial security.

**Help us Build HOPE. Join as a monthly donor today!**

Visit [www.stmatthewshouse.ca](http://www.stmatthewshouse.ca) to learn more & to sign up.

# Host a Food Drive and Make a Difference in Your Community!

When donating food or hosting a food drive, the community we serve are the real winners!

- St John's Ancaster hosted their annual Souperbowl Sunday and raised over 1400lbs of soup!!
- Rock On Locke partnered with Fiddies Wholesale produce and donated nutritious and wonderful boxes of produce to our emergency delivery program.



If you are interested in a food drive kit we can help! Please reach out to Madeleine Bond at [mbond@stmatthewshouse.ca](mailto:mbond@stmatthewshouse.ca). Or, for more information please visit us at <https://stmatthewshouse.ca/help-us/organize-a-food-drive/>



## Three Ways to Donate

### IN PERSON

Drop off or mail a donation to:  
414 Barton St. E.  
Hamilton, ON L8L 2Y3

### ONLINE

Make an online donation  
via credit card.  
[www.stmatthewshouse.ca](http://www.stmatthewshouse.ca)

### BY PHONE

Call us:  
(905) 523-5546

Many thanks to our supporters:



**Thank You to all of our donors & supporters!**

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### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday  
8:30AM - 4:30PM



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