



The Open Door

Home to the homeless

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Now open five days a week

We are thankful for all the individuals, groups and organizations that work shoulder to shoulder with The Open Door as volunteers and supporters. Since July, the drop-in centre has been able to extend its hours of operation from four days to five days a week. We are deeply grateful for the generous grant from Makivik Corporation that made this initiative possible.

Putting a face on homelessness

For 25 years, The Open Door has been reaching out to homeless and low-income people in Westmount and Ville-Marie. We don't pretend to have all the answers. In fact, sometimes we try something and then need to step back, such as our recent Transition House pilot project which ended earlier this year. We do all we can with the resources we have and the assistance we receive, offering free food, clothing and counselling to up to 100 people daily. Guided by the belief that each person is uniquely created in God's image and is loved by Him, we strive to provide a warm welcome and timely assistance to those who come to the drop-in centre.

Fall 2013

Your generosity to The Open Door contributes to:

- ◆ Full-course meals
- ◆ Emergency food distribution
- ◆ Laundry service
- ◆ Clothing depot
- ◆ Free haircuts
- ◆ Free eyeglasses
- ◆ Free beds
- ◆ Free phone line
- ◆ Free Internet access
- ◆ Registered nurse care
- ◆ Community garden
- ◆ Job search centre
- ◆ Training program
- ◆ Community work program
- ◆ Accommodation search
- ◆ Spiritual counseling
- ◆ Gambling, alcohol, drug workshops
- ◆ Summer vacation camp

NEWS FLASH

Join The Open Door for a 25th Anniversary Celebration and Fundraising Event at the Westmount Batshaw Centre at noon on Saturday, November 23! Visit our Web site at www.opendoortoday.org for more information.

Brokenness and restoration: the story continues

This has been a difficult year for many of our clients. The Open Door held four memorial services for the friends and family of previous clients. At times like this, our staff and volunteers continue to reach out with encouragement and support. We seek to restore dignity, provide empowerment, and facilitate reintegration into society. We are delighted that many clients do improve their life situation; in fact, some of our current donors once used our services!

Will you help us help others?

Will you help us reach out to people in need? The generosity of individuals like you is essential to maintaining the services of The Open Door, the only inclusive drop-in centre in the western section of the downtown core. Your gift of \$75.00 will cover the cost of van rental and fuel for a weekly food pickup. Your gift of \$300.00 will cover the cost of heating and renting our facilities for one week. Thank you for your support and partnership.

To make a donation to The Open Door, please send your cheque to:

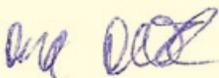
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Donations can also be made through CanadaHelps via our website.

Thank you!

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Caleb Clark, Director

