

SAKIHTA KIKINAW AT STOVEL BLOCK

Housing Units for Female-Identifying Individuals Experiencing Homelessness

Boyle Street Community Services, established in 1971, provides 40+ programs across 13 locations to individuals, families and children who are experiencing poverty and homelessness in Edmonton. Boyle Street offers a range of prevention and intervention services rooted in harm reduction and Indigenous culture to help our clients to break the cycle of poverty and homelessness.

Sakihta Kikinaw — a Cree phrase that roughly translates to “house of love” — at Stovel Block is a downtown building that offers 30 housing units for female-identifying people who are experiencing poverty and homelessness in Edmonton.

Currently, there are limited options for safe housing for women who are experiencing homelessness, as women often have to navigate high-risk environments to access a warm place to sleep; this need for housing services is amplified by the complications of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In response to this need, Boyle Street developed Sakihta Kikinaw at Stovel Block to provide flexible, low-income housing for women as a safe space to stay for as long as they need before transitioning into long-term housing. Boyle Street will provide programming and 24/7 on-site workers to help support residents. Individual suites and a common kitchen space will allow residents to further develop a sense of community, confidence and self-worth as they work to break the cycle of poverty and homelessness.



Sakihta Kikinaw, the name gifted by Elder Rose Wabasca, means "House of Love" in Cree. This name was gifted through a naming ceremony, a sacred Indigenous practice.

Learn more or donate by visiting www.boylestreet.org/stovel

SUPPORT **SAKIHTA KIKINAW**

Sakihta Kikinaw: "House of Love" in Cree

BECOME A HOMEMAKER: \$650 SPONSORSHIP

 Sponsor a resident's first month of rent at Sakihta Kikinaw at Stovel Block. This gift will help a woman settle into her new space and relieve financial strain.

DONATE

 A monetary donation of any amount will help us maintain the day-to-day operations and functionality of Sakihta Kikinaw at Stovel Block.

DONATE IN-KIND

Donating in-kind will help us provide even more goods and comfort items to the women who are staying at Sakihta Kikinaw at Stovel Block.

Needed Toiletries

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body wash
- Soap
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Floss
- Non-alcohol mouthwash
- Deodorant
- Menstrual pads
- Tampons
- Hairbrushes
- Ponytails, bobby pins, hair clips
- Sunscreen
- Body lotion
- Chapstick
- Shaving razors

Other Needed Items

- Laundry detergent pods
- Packages of instant coffee
- Tea bags
- Pre-packaged snacks (granola bars)
- Pre-packaged beverages (juice boxes)
- Pencil crayons

 To learn more, donate in-kind or discuss further opportunities to support Sakihta Kikinaw at Stovel Block, please contact our Community Relationship Lead Cassidy Green, (she/her) by emailing kgreen@boylestreet.org, or visit www.boylestreet.org/stovel