



MARYMOUND

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# LIVE-IN HEALING HOME

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Please note that when the home is built and the program is being launched there will be a request to an Elder to gift the new program with a name.



**Marymound enjoys the privilege of operating its Campus on Treaty One land. The amenities we have to benefit our youth and staff are very diversified and expansive.**



Marymound, an organization with a rich history of providing care and support to youth and families, has embarked on an ambitious project to establish a Live-In Healing Home on their Scotia Street campus. This initiative aims to address the complex needs experienced by some of Manitoba's youth. The live-in healing services will focus on youth whose functioning is impacted by one or more of the following issues: high-risk behaviours, mental health challenges, substance use/addictions, complex trauma, and neurodevelopmental challenges.



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CONCEPT B  
± 5,382 SF

- ROUND ROOM
- MEETING / CLASSROOM
- STAFF / OFFICES
- WASHROOM
- BEDROOM / GUEST SUITE
- COMMON SPACES (KITCHEN, LIVING, DINING, CIRCULATION)
- STORAGE
- MECHANICAL / ELECTRICAL



In 2015, Marymound initiated the development of this Live-In Healing Home, supported by the Department of Families. Initially planned for an 1880s historical home on their campus, the project faced escalating renovation costs and heritage preservation challenges. As a result, Marymound reconsidered its approach and worked with Prairie Architecture to design a one-story, purpose-built facility located north of the original heritage home. This new facility aligns with an Indigenous approach to healing and includes a classroom to support individualized education for the youth.

However, securing the necessary funding for this project has proven to be a significant challenge. The Department of Families altered its support, and Marymound has had to rely on its own fundraising efforts to make this vision a reality. To date, they have raised approximately \$2.5 million, but more financial support is required to complete this critical initiative.

The establishment of the Live-In Healing Home in Manitoba is a response to the pressing need for co-occurring and holistic treatment services for youth in Manitoba. It recognizes that many young people experience a range of challenges, including mental health issues, substance use, addictions, complex trauma, and neurodevelopmental disorders. The goal is to provide a safe, culturally-informed, and therapeutic environment that helps these youth heal and transition back to their communities



## The Vision for Marymound's Live-In Healing Home



The Live-In Healing Home initiative by Marymound is founded on a vision of providing comprehensive, holistic, and culturally-sensitive healing for youth with complex needs. Here are some key elements of this visionary project:

**Purpose-Built Facility** - The new one-story facility is designed to meet the unique needs of the youth it will serve. It supports a two-eyed seeing approach to healing, including a round room and a classroom to facilitate tailored education programs.

**Holistic Approach** - Marymound recognizes that youth with complex needs require holistic care. The program for the Live-In Healing Home integrates healing approaches to address the mental, emotional, spiritual and physical needs for youth to thrive.

**Cultural Integration** - With a substantial Indigenous and Métis population among the youth they serve, Marymound places a strong emphasis on cultural programming. The Live-In Healing Home incorporates land-based healing practices and a Two-Eyed Seeing approach, blending traditional and Western therapeutic interventions. Of note healing plans will be grounded in a clinical planning tool developed by Dr. Bruce Perry called the Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics (NMT). Marymound is one of only two Canadian sites certified in Dr. Perry's NMT

**Family and Community Engagement** - A High Fidelity Wraparound approach will be used. This evidence based approach to the development of healing plans lifts youth and family voice to create an individualized support team, and lifts the strengths of the youth and family

**Funding Challenges** - The project has faced financial hurdles due to changes in government support and the Covid-19 pandemic. Despite raising approximately \$2.5 million, Marymound requires additional funding to bring the Live-In Healing Home to fruition.



**In conclusion, Marymound's Live-In Healing Home initiative represents a dedicated effort to meet the unmet needs of vulnerable youth in Manitoba. By providing a culturally-informed, holistic, and safe environment for healing, Marymound aims to empower these young individuals, support their growth, and ultimately strengthen the community. Continued support and funding are crucial to realizing this vision and making a positive impact on the lives of youth and families in need.**