

Genesis House

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Did You Know?

- In 2019, 136 women and girls were murdered across Canada? That is a murder every 2.68 days.
- The youngest victim was 5 months old and the oldest victim was 94.
- Women in rural areas experienced the highest overall rate of violence.
- Manitoba has the second highest rate of intimate partner violence in Canada excluding the North.

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24 Hour Crisis Line 1-877-977-0007 Local: 204-325-9800

Unmasking Domestic Violence

Genesis House hosted the first annual Unmasking Domestic Violence Masquerade Gala on November 23, 2019. The event was hosted at the Minnewasta Golf Club with entertainment by The Mood. Dinner was roast beef followed by a lush lemon dessert. Signature cocktails were the Phil Collins and Peter Gabriel, can you make the connection?

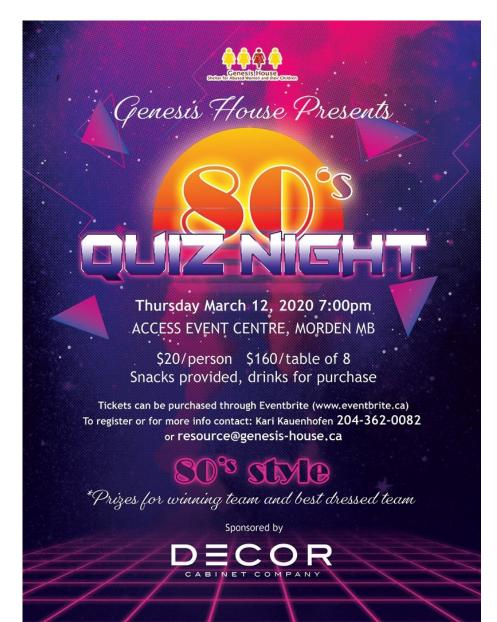
The evening also included a silent auction and a live auction with Bill Klassen. The auction prizes were generously donated by local businesses. The auctions raised over \$ 5200! The evening was made possible by the following Gold Sponsors: Access Credit Union, Country 88.9, The Eagle 93.5, & Pembina Valley Online, General sponsors: Terrcab, Triple E, Clinic Drugstore, Morden Drugstore, Murray Pembina Valley, Autoshow Sales & Service, & Motorland Enterprises.

Thank you to everyone that attended and supported us through your presence. There were many volunteers that helped make the night successful! A grand total of \$17,500 was raised for Genesis House!

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Council Presentations

Fall 2019 Genesis House presented information to 9 community councils in their service area in an effort to increase awareness about domestic abuse and to shed light on some of the challenges facing the agency and the families they serve. Genesis House was seeking support both in leadership to help set a high community standard of behavior and also financial support for the residential program. It has been over 12 years since there has been an increase to the core operating grant from the province. 50 cents per person was requested based on the most recent census data. Thank you to the councils for their time and consideration.



Legends Car Club continues to show their support for Genesis House! See you at the races in August 2020!



Genesis House is very grateful to the team of Access Credit Union for choosing us for their Jeans Day donation!



Kicking off Domestic Violence Awareness Month with a delivery of cookies to MLA Cameron Friesen. Genesis House delivered homemade cream cookies to many sponsors and stakeholders throughout November!



Join us in celebrating

International Women's Day

Sunday, March 8, 2020



Featuring Special Guests: Wilma Derksen and Odia Reimer A selection of monologues by Sarasvati Productions

The Bunker 545 Industrial Drive, Winkler 2pm-4pm Tickets \$15.00 includes coffee/tea and dessert. Tickets available on Eventbrite.

For more information, please contact Kari Kauenhofen at 204-362-0082 or resource@genesis-house.ca

Desserts provided by:



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Programming Updates

The 10 week Anger Management/Domestic Violence group for women is being offered on Tuesdays.

The Caring Dads program is coming to an end in February. Thanks to Child & Family Services of Central Region for their partnership.

Nobody's Perfect Parenting program is also being offered in partnership with the Winkler Family Resource Centre. Open support groups continue weekly. Call to get more information. 1-877-977-0007.

Towards Parity—Women Speaking Up

A partnership between the City of Winkler and Genesis House has provided opportunity to engage women to be more vocal in political systems. A \$5000 grant was received from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and Women and Gender Equality Canada with a specific goal of providing oppor-

tunity to hear from women under 30, new comer women, and women with a disability. The complimentary lunch and learns dates and topics are: January 23– Feminism, February 20—Advocacy March 19– Self Confidence April 16– Overcoming Obstacles May 21– Equal Voice Registration is required. Please call 204-325-9758 to register.



Power of the PJ's

South Central Regional Libraries and the community collected over 200 pairs of PJ's for children and women! Many thanks to everyone who donated cozy PJ's and to the library for being our collection depot!



Teen Talk

A new youth-led project aims to prevent abusive relationships by educating teenagers on the warning signs. The Teen Talk project was launched after being chosen by the Winkler Community Foundation as the recipient of the \$15,000 RBC Future Launch Community Challenge. Teen talk project staff will provide the Red Cross healthy Relationship program in schools and be available at local teen clinics.



Peace Begins at Home Hockey Games

Genesis House hosted 4 Peace Begins at Home hockey games during Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Thank you to the participating teams and to all who chose to wear a white ribbon!



EveryBody Campaign

We are so grateful to the EveryBody Campaign for choosing Genesis House as the beneficiary of their successful campaign in 2019.



Christmas!

We cannot thank the community enough for the support it has shown us over the past year, but especially at Christmas time. The community made sure that there was a gift for each person that was engaged with Genesis House as well as groceries and the supplies to make a fine Christmas dinner. Project Genesis ensures that every person that stays with us receives a cozy new homemade quilt. The community most certainly wraps our families with love!