

# Year End Update 2020

**Dear Friend,**

As we approach the end of 2020, I'd like to express my sincere appreciation for your support of MennoHomes. We are responding to the need for affordable housing in Waterloo Region, and we couldn't do it without you.

It's been a busy year for us as we launched our [A Place to Call Home](#) capital campaign and began construction of a new affordable housing project at 544 Bridgeport Road East in Kitchener.



**Dan Driedger**  
Executive Director

Construction is well underway and we remain on schedule for completion in June, with new tenants expected to begin moving in throughout July and August. With over 6000 households on the waiting list for affordable housing in Waterloo Region, this new project will make a difference.

You can learn more about this project by clicking the banners at the bottom of this newsletter.

**To catch a glimpse of how construction is proceeding, click the video link below.**



## Capital Campaign Ongoing

Our capital campaign to raise the necessary funds is ongoing. Thank you to everyone who has already made a donation or pledge. We have not yet met our \$5 million goal and continue to welcome any year-end donations or pledges to ensure the long-term sustainability of this project.



## New Project in Downtown Kitchener.

In early December MennoHomes acquired a house located at 24 Mill Street in Kitchener. It was one of three houses that had previously been

deemed surplus by The Region of Waterloo. They were designated to be given away to local non-profit housing providers. MennoHomes submitted an application and was chosen at random to "win" this house.

The house has been vacant for a number of years and will require significant renovations to restore it. Once complete, it will provide much needed affordable family housing in downtown Kitchener.

To complete the renovations, MennoHomes is partnering with Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS). Due to COVID-19 travel restrictions, local MDS volunteers are currently unable to travel outside of Ontario. With the support of MDS, we hope to have renovations complete by early summer 2021. A great local partnership to create more affordable housing. Thank you MDS!



## Photo Gallery

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## Annual General Meeting

While we won't be able to meet in person this year, we are looking forward to hosting our virtual AGM on Wednesday, January 27, 2021.

Details to follow.

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