



December 9, 2020

Hello everyone,

### **COVID-19 outbreak update**

I'm happy to report that we have had no resident cases of COVID-19 or new staff cases since our last update. We continue to have four staff off work.

COVID-19 cases are updated as we receive them at: [misericordia.mb.ca/misericordia-place](https://misericordia.mb.ca/misericordia-place)

It has been almost two weeks since we've welcomed back designated family caregivers. On behalf of the extended Misericordia Place team, thank you for your cooperation and kind words. We continue to monitor our processes and implement changes as required.

We are thoughtfully planning what the protocols will be as we continue to live with COVID-19 in our community. We are currently planning for the holiday season, in accordance with Public Health guidelines, and will be providing an update next week.

### **Cards for Care**

This week Ace Burpee dropped off holiday cards for Misericordia Place residents. Thank you to Ace, the whole Ace Burpee Show team as well as listeners for writing such thoughtful cards for residents. We appreciate the community support, especially right now during the holiday season.



### **Inspection Report**

You may recall the City of Winnipeg sent a Public Health Inspector and a Workplace Health & Safety representative to Misericordia Place for an in-depth walkaround and review in late November. These inspections are happening at personal care homes across Winnipeg.

I'm pleased to let you know we received our inspection report and had zero infractions noted.

## **MP Staff Profile: Karlie Wilkie, Occupational Therapist, Rehabilitation Services**

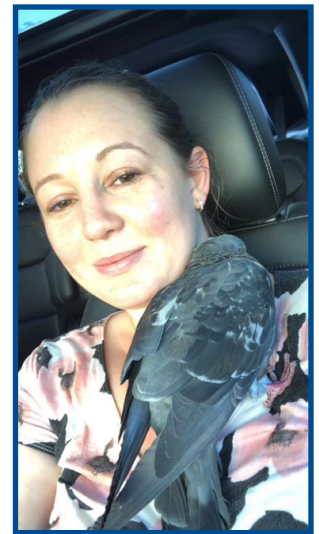
On behalf of the Misericordia Place team, I'd like to give a warm welcome to Karlie Wilkie. She is a great addition to the long-term care team and we are impressed by her enthusiasm and creative problem-solving skills.

Karlie joined the MHC family in summer 2019. She has worked in various programs at Misericordia, including PRIME, Transitional Care, and Misericordia Place. Initially hired as a casual occupational therapist, Karlie is now a permanent employee of MHC. She confirms that Misericordia truly is one of the best places to work in the city due to the friendly "community feel" and the many meaningful collegial friendships developed within the facility.

Karlie's motivation to help others is not limited to patients. Earlier this fall, she rescued an injured pigeon outside MHC.

"I was in the office and I heard a noise outside the window. There was a pigeon flapping its wings and pecking on the glass trying to get in!" says Karlie, noting that her colleagues jumped in to help her with the rescue effort.

She brought the pigeon home and ensured it safely made it to Prairie Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre where it was determined to be dehydrated and extremely underweight. Volunteers nursed Karlie's rescue pigeon back to health and reintegrated it with other fosters to the community.



As always, please do reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely,

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