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26 New Units Created to Support People who are Homeless or At-Risk

(Edmonton) – Homeward Trust Edmonton, the Edmonton Inner City Housing Society (EICHS), and community partners celebrated the opening of two new housing developments in Edmonton this morning. Together, Harry Holt Place and Eastwood North create 26 units to support families, couples, and individuals in need.

Harry Holt Place will provide six, modestly sized, affordable one-bedroom units for homeless couples, and 10 bachelor units for singles. Eastwood North will provide 10 self-contained units, five four-bedroom units, and five two-bedroom units for a diverse group of residents: large families, immigrants or refugees, as well as single parent families and homeless couples who either have custody of their children or who are working on being reunited with their children.

“Edmonton’s 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness set out the goal of creating more ‘modestly sized units’, and these projects help us achieve the goal” said Susan McGee, Executive Director of Homeward Trust. “Providing secure, appropriate housing to individuals who have been homeless or are at-risk is an essential step in ending homelessness”.

Homeward Trust contributed \$2,343,350 in funds for Eastwood North and \$2,201,711 for Harry Holt Place. Additional funding was provided by community partners.

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