

NWAC MAKES HISTORICAL PURCHASE BENEFITING INDIGENOUS WOMEN IN CANADA

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Native Women's
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The Native Women's Association of Canada (NWAC) announces the historical purchase of a building that will become our new National Office and Resiliency Centre. The facility is strategically located on Promenade du Portage in Gatineau, Quebec in the heart of the business district. This permanent location will support the continued delivery and expansion of NWAC's programs and initiatives to empower Indigenous women from coast to coast to coast.

For nearly 45 years, NWAC has been advocating for Indigenous women in Canada and the purchase of this building will help ensure the organization continues to deliver critically important programs in a consistent manner.

Under the guidance of Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers, the NWAC National Office and Resiliency Centre will feature multiple initiatives, including:

- An Indigenous Women's Economic Development Centre that will serve as a business incubator and deliver cutting edge entrepreneurship and employment training initiatives;
- Gender specific Policy, Research, Legal, and Youth Advocacy Services;
- A Resiliency Centre that will facilitate important healing, honouring and commemoration resources and activities;
- The Rooftop Healing Garden will be supportive of traditional agricultural resources and growing traditional medicines and herbs within a beautiful green space.

This cultural and social innovation initiative is a first of its kind in Canada guided by strategic direction of the NWAC Board of Directors. This visionary initiative is made possible by generous donations, fundraising and partnerships with the Government of Canada.

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