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*Restoring Dignity,
Transforming
Lives.*



STAMPEDE ROTARY CLUB CONTRIBUTION IN ACTION

Thanks to an **\$82,000** grant from the Stampede Rotary Club, the Calgary Legacy House has undergone vital renovations, turning it into a welcoming home for First Responders, Veterans, Military Personnel, and their families. This generous contribution enabled us to replace the roof, upgrade flooring, renovate bathrooms, and modernize the kitchen. Additionally, we enhanced accessibility, refaced the fireplace and entryway, ensuring a safe and inclusive environment.



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FAMILIES IMPACTED



This year alone, we've welcomed **15 children** to the house—children facing their own challenges, including one with autism and another with ongoing medical difficulties. These families, often juggling multiple stressors, have found a safe, welcoming space to regroup and heal. The funding has helped create an environment where even the youngest members feel safe, cared for, and part of something special.



What's on the go?

Currently, we are focused on refacing the master bathroom, which includes upgrading the tub, expanding the shower, and adding new tiling. We're also excited to install central air conditioning soon to ensure the house remains comfortable in the summer months.

MORE THAN SHELTER: HOW ROTARY'S SUPPORT RESTORED DIGNITY AND PRIDE AT CALGARY LEGACY HOUSE

The importance of these upgrades cannot be overstated. For many of our clients, the Calgary Legacy House is more than just a place to stay—it's a sanctuary during some of the most difficult periods of their lives. Recently, we had a former client return to stay with us, someone who had used the house in the past. When he saw the improvements Rotary helped make possible, **he was absolutely speechless**. He said—and I can't emphasize this enough—that he has never been more proud to use a support service.

To hear someone who has dedicated their life to serving others express this kind of gratitude was deeply moving. **He was struck not just by the physical changes to the house, but by the sense of dignity and pride the upgrades brought him**. He mentioned that the environment now feels truly like a home, a place he feels honoured to be a part of.

*"We're all just walking
each other home"*



"This grant has made it possible for us to provide a space where our clients can find both physical and emotional comfort. The fact that they feel proud, not just grateful, to stay here is a testament to the impact your support has had. It's hard to put into words what that means to someone who may be going through a difficult transition, but Rotary has given them a renewed sense of self-worth and community. Thank you."

– Amberly Wrubleski, Fund Development Specialist