

Two Big Things (and some smaller ones).

First and foremost, happy 2019 to all of you. May this year be full of good health, good fun and good friends. Many of you are likely already aware of this, but we are renovating our space in the Lower Hall of 602 Silica, to make it more welcoming and "functional" for program participants, volunteers and staff.

We are raising funds to pay for the renovations and are very happy to report that **Columbia Basin Trust has awarded us a \$250,000 grant toward the effort.** Our fundraising has been supported by Community Food Centres Canada, local businesses and foundations, groups such as TASK, and individual donors. The sizable grant from the Trust means that our fundraising goals are well within reach. In the next couple of months, we'll see new windows, flooring, a walk-in fridge, renovated office space and much more. If you are walking by and the door at 602 Silica is open, please come in and take a look around. We'd love to see you.

See the fresh-today photos below showing the new office space (yes, it's a work in progress). I'll share more photos as the work continues. We have two photos looking in and two looking out.

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Those are the big bits of news for us. To those who supported us somehow before and through the holiday season (financially, in-kind, volunteering, or otherwise|), thanks very, very much. We are extraordinarily lucky to live in such a supportive community.

Our calendar is chock-a-block full of fun programming for youth, families, and everyone else. <u>Click here</u> to learn more or stop by the Food Centre and ask us about all that's going on.

We'll be back again in another few weeks' time, with news and more. If you want to support our reno initiative, hit the <u>DONATE NOW</u> button above and add a note as to where you'd like your donation to go.

Sincerely,

Andrew Creighton

(On behalf of the Nelson Community Food Centre team)







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