

**YOU ARE INVITED**  
TO  
**OUR 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**  
*Soup du Jour*  
**Open House**



**Date: November 3, 2016**  
**Time: 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm**  
**Place: SUMS**  
**10776 King George Blvd.**  
**Surrey**

**Great Soup, Silent Auction, Entertainment**

**Come and see what we are all about.**

**(if you would like to donate to our silent  
auction, please contact Barb at  
[davisonduo@telus.net](mailto:davisonduo@telus.net))**

***We would love to show you  
SUM Place special.***

**Message from Ian Jarvis, Board Chair**

I am honoured to have been elected to the Chair of the Mission.

A huge thank you to the outgoing members of the Board, John Wolff (Chair) and Tima Fader (Treasurer) for the significant time and effort they provided and the accomplishment they achieved. John worked tirelessly to establish stable and solid board leadership, create a clear mandate and a strong operational foundation. Tima brought enthusiasm and passion to the board table.

Thank you to Scott Nicoll, Brenda Locke, Barb Davison and Roland Ziprick who have agreed to continue to serve on the Board and to Stephen Holmes who has agreed to serve on the Board again having taken a break in service. We are blessed to have these talented people on board.

Our core mission focuses on helping those in poverty through the provision of food and clothing and providing a bridge to other services including housing and health.

The Board plays an important role in carrying out this mandate by working with our dedicated staff to establish the values, principles, and policies by which we operate, gather the needed resources required to carry out this mandate and to ensure the Mission a good steward of the assets in which it has been entrusted.

The Mission works within a network of agencies that provide care to those in need and therefore we must be seen as a trusted and collaborative partner and the Board will work with staff to continue to nurture effective working relationships with our partners.

In my short time on the job I have witnessed the caring relationship between our staff, volunteers and guests. Our guests grateful for the care and grace they receive.

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*Surrey Urban Mission is a faith based, volunteer driven, community kitchen.*

[www.sumsplace.ca](http://www.sumsplace.ca)

The Mission runs on volunteer time and donations from our supporters and partner agencies. I am thankful for their contributions and over time look forward to getting to know them better and to highlight the positive impact that their individual contributions make.

As I start to familiarize myself more with challenges and opportunities that our Mission faces I am becoming aware of the need to inform others of the needs of our Mission's community and to try a place these priorities in perspective.

Despite the amazing contributions we receive, we are in need of additional financial contributions and donations of food and clothing in order to meet current requirements.

As I see it, job one for the Board is to raise the funding required to sustain our vital services - we have a strong foundation on which to build and I am confident with your help and support and the grace and infinite love of God that we will succeed.

### What we do:

**SUMS provides over 8,000 meals every month to those in need.**

<b>Monday – Friday:</b>	<b>Breakfast &amp; Lunch</b>
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>Brunch</b>
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>Breakfast &amp; Dinner</b>
<b>Clothing Program:</b>	<b>Daily</b>
<b>Pet Food:</b>	<b>Daily</b>

### How can your Church or Service Group help?

### **SUMS IS DESPERATE FOR WINTER CLOTHES CAN YOU OR YOUR CHURCH HELP!**

**Surrey Urban Mission needs your help** so they can help those in need, living in poverty and homeless. The need is great and growing – currently SUMS serves approximately 10,000 meals each month as well as provide shelter beds every night.

If your house is like ours, we have more than we need and are often looking to purge our closets. The following **gently used items** are always in need.

#### **Men's & Women's Clothes**

##### **Shoes and Boots**

##### **Coats, Jackets & Hoodies**

##### **Blankets**

##### **Towels**

##### **Back Packs**

##### **Cutlery**

##### **Mugs and Plates**

##### **Plastic Grocery Bags**

There are a number of small gift **new items** that would help us tremendously.

##### **Socks**

##### **Underwear**

##### **Personal Care items**

##### **First Aid Supplies**

Maybe start a collection bin in your neighbourhood or at your church or place of business.



## Blessings and Stories From Mike Musgrove, Executive Director

During my first few weeks at SUM Place, a group of about 15 people without homes, decided to build shelters around the mission. The shelters were built over the New Year's weekend and had attracted a fair bit of attention from the city. On Monday morning a small army of police and bylaw officers arrived to help clean up the area and move people on. I approached a burly Bylaw officer who said, "If you feed the problem it will just get worse."

As a new Executive Director of the mission, I spent many hours contemplating the question, "are we helping or are we enabling?" At Surrey Urban Mission Society's community kitchen and shelter, SUM Place, we are providing thirteen meals a week and a twenty bed shelter for people in the area of Surrey, BC known as Whalley. For the most part pondering helping vs enabling debate has been replaced with how do we move from enabling to building helpful relationships. The mission is God's instrument of hope and peace and a beacon of light in Whalley.

The rise of availability of potent drugs like fentanyl and the overdoses that coincide have increased the need for this beacon of light. On July 16<sup>th</sup> weekend, 43 people overdosed in 48 hours, many, of whom, are our guests. All of these people lived because of the administration of a drug called Naloxone, which reverses the effects of opioids. We have had to administer this drug at the mission. This is the darkness where we have been called to shine Christ's light. In Corinthians 4:6 Paul writes, "For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness.'" We are called to reflect His light from out of the darkness.

After prayerfully considering the bylaw officers words, my defensiveness was replaced by a deep peace that only our heavenly father could provide. With words that the Lord provided, I said, "you must be speaking figuratively because I totally agree that we are all feeding this problem with apathy, narrow-

minded solutions and judgmental attitudes, when what we need to do is love and care for each other." He, reluctantly, agreed and we both went separate ways.

If you would like to visit us, volunteer or become part of Surrey Urban Mission please contact us through email at [sums@telus.net](mailto:sums@telus.net) or by phone at 604 581-5172

## Thank you for Stepping Up

Money to purchase goods is simply not money well spent at SUMS. This past summer coffee mugs were in short supply. A quick tweet out, and before too long word got out. Thank you to so many who helped us secure approx. 300 mugs. Special shout out to **FARRIS, VAUGHAN, WILLS & MURPHY LLP**, for making sure we reached our mug goal and then some.

47 pairs of Shoes from **RONSONS SHOES** – just awesome. Footwear is always a challenge and this most generous gift is so appreciated by us and those in need. A new pair of shoes – Wow.



Again, **DIAMOND DELIVERY** and the **HEART OF HOPE** – we simply couldn't do it without your generosity.

**CENTRAL SURREY LIONS** – always there to help when asked, thanks for everything you do.

**KING OF FLOORS** and **BRAD NEWELL**, your contribution has made a difference to our guests and stepped up our offices.

And for your ongoing support, **SURREY FIRE FIGHTERS, COBS, SAFEWAY, SAVE-ON-FOODS AND FRESH STREET FARMS.**