



New Home for Makonsag

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Makonsag Aboriginal Head Start is thrilled to announce that a new permanent home has been found for its preschool program.

“We have been looking for more than a year to find somewhere in Vanier that is a more suitable place to grow our Head Start program,” said Makonsag Board President Karen Green, “and we have found it on Olmstead Street.”

Makonsag was able to purchase the new building with additional funding from the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) through the Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care (IELCC) initiative. Makonsag Aboriginal Head Start would like to thank PHAC for their ongoing commitment to Indigenous children and their families in Ottawa.

The new Makonsag Aboriginal Head Start building is located at 297 Olmstead St. The space will have 24 full time spots for preschool aged Indigenous children. The new location requires some renovations and is expected to open later this spring. Makonsag will keep the community updated on the date for a grand opening and tour of the new building.

Aboriginal Head Start in Urban and Northern Communities (AHSUNC) Program is a national community-based early intervention program funded by PHAC. AHSUNC focuses on early childhood development for First Nations, Inuit and Métis children and their families living off-reserve. Currently, Makonsag provides the AHSUNC program on a part-time basis through a unique shared space arrangement at the Andrew Fleck Children’s Services Overbrook location in Vanier.

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