



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **National Housing Day to be marked at YMCA MacBain Community Centre Nov. 21**

NIAGARA REGION, Nov. 17, 2014 – National Housing Day commemorates the 1998 declaration by the Big City Mayor’s Caucus that homelessness in Canada had reached crisis proportions.

On Nov. 21, Niagara Regional Housing (NRH), YWCA, YMCA and the City of Niagara Falls will mark National Housing Day with an event dedicated to informing the citizens of Niagara about issues of affordable housing and homelessness.

The YWCA will construct their 16x24 ft Cardboard House, which is a walk-through experience showing the misconceptions, realities and solutions to homelessness in Niagara. Some of the facts and statistics might surprise many in the community not directly affected by homelessness and the shortage of affordable housing in Canada.

NRH is the administrator of affordable housing for Niagara region.

Media are invited to attend the event to be held:

**Date:** Friday, Nov. 21, 2014

**Time:** 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

**Location:** YMCA MacBain Community Centre, 7150 Montrose Road, Niagara Falls

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