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Official Opening of Saint Paul University's new Counselling and Psychotherapy Centre Offices

Ottawa, November 7, 2016 – Dr. Chantal Beauvais, Rector of Saint Paul University (SPU), together with Catherine McKenna, MP for Ottawa Centre, Yasir Naqvi, MPP for Ottawa Centre, Jim Watson, Mayor of Ottawa, and several other dignitaries, today officially opened the university's new Counselling and Psychotherapy Centre's Offices.

The creation of the Centre was made possible by a leadership gift of \$800,000 from the Saint Paul University Oblate Fund Inc.



From left to right :

1st row : André Beaudry, Chief Advancement Officer, Saint Paul University, Father Raymond Marquis, Hélène Carrière, Jacques Noel, Board Members, Saint Paul University Oblate Fund Inc, and Jordan Dosch, Board Chair, Saint Paul University Oblate Fund Inc.



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2nd row: Normand Beaulieu, Vice Rector, Administration, Saint Paul University, Father Luc Tardif, Chair, Saint Paul University Fundraising Campaign, Chantal Beauvais, Rector, Saint Paul University, Yasir Naqvi, MPP for Ottawa Centre, Catherine McKenna, MP for Ottawa-Centre, Jim Watson, Mayor of Ottawa, Denis Desautels, and Jules Dagenais, Board Members, Saint Paul University Oblate Fund Inc.

“Our vision at Saint Paul University is to be the face of change by building a more inclusive and compassionate society,” said SPU Rector Chantal Beauvais. “Actualizing that vision starts with our unique programs and services, such as those offered by our Counselling and Psychotherapy Centre. We are extremely grateful to the Saint Paul University Oblate Fund Inc. for its generous donation, which supports our efforts to become transformational leaders.”

“The completion of this project clearly reflects the University’s commitment to meeting new needs with purpose, generosity and creativity,” noted Father Luc Tardif, OMI, chair of SPU’s fundraising campaign.

With an area of 560 square metres (6,000 square feet), the new Centre is located on the second floor of the SPU Residence at 150 Hazel Street. It is one of the main providers of community counselling services in the Ottawa–Gatineau region.

The Centre welcomes a diverse clientele, and offers counselling services in English and French for individuals, couples and families. Fees are negotiable depending on the client’s financial situation.

Services are provided by counselling interns at the master’s and doctoral level in Counselling and Psychotherapy at Saint Paul University. The interns are supervised by counsellors, psychotherapists and/or psychologists who are certified and accredited by a recognized professional association. This year, 120 students will provide more than 10,000 counselling sessions to clients in the region.

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