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Heart, Love & Soul opens new community garden

Heart, Love & Soul in Niagara Falls marked 40 years of serving those in need with a grand-opening of its new community garden and mural on June 8.

The nonprofit group said in its news release "the new garden serves as a symbol of growth, healing and empowerment, offering a tranquil and nurturing space for individuals to find solace, engage in therapeutic activities and learn about sustainable gardening practices."

The therapeutic garden was completed just days before its grand-opening in front of a crowd of officials, dignitaries, and the staff that provides the heart of the services.

Among the speakers at the event were Heart, Love & Soul Executive Director Mark Baetzhold, Niagara Falls Mayor Robert Restaino, Niagara University President the Rev. James J. Maher and Sister Beth Brosmer, who retired in 2020 after serving for 11 years as executive director.

The colorful mural that wraps around the building in the north end of Niagara Falls is intended as an artistic expression of the agency's mission to bring hope and support to the people it serves.

Heart, Love & Soul provides a food pantry, daily hot meals, groceries, social care services and housing and outreach services.

Baetzhold said the organization's



mission to nourish people in need has touched thousands of lives since its founding in 1983.

"We are indebted to our founders who grew the organization from its infancy at Sacred Heart Church, to the Sisters of St. Francis who guided the ministry for two decades, and to all the faithful volunteers and supporters who helped grow Heart Love & Soul into what it is today," he said. "We look forward to continuing to serve the community in new ways, but with the same spirit of love and welcome that has guided Heart, Love & Soul from its

very beginning,"

He noted that since its start, Heart, Love & Soul has expanded services and staff to carry out its mission of help and support.

One of the new ways that Heart, Love & Soul serves the community is through the Daybreak program in the Sr. Beth Brosmer Center that opened in October 2020. The building is named after the longtime leader and houses a social care program offering a single point of access for housing, health and wellness, behavioral health, employment, education, legal and

other services.

"In only its first two years, we have served more than 700 unique individuals, making an impact," Baetzhold said.

He added that the organization has strived to welcome all its guests with dignity and respect.

"As we celebrate 40 years of touching the community, we commit to continuing a legacy of service, trusting that every person touched by our work is moving toward a future of promise and hope," Baetzhold said.

Congressman Brian

Higgins said of Heart, Love & Soul, "The name says it all. For an incredible 40 years, this organization has put heart, love and soul into serving the people of this community. Through this mission, led with compassion and intention, people's lives have been forever changed for the better."

For more information about Heart, Love & Soul, visit www.heartloveandsoul.org.

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New roof completed at French Castle at Old Fort Niagara

Yellow cedar roof aids in preservation of 1726 building

The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, along with Old Fort Niagara Association, on Friday revealed a new roof on the iconic French Castle, one of the oldest buildings on the Great Lakes. The French Castle, the oldest building on the Great Lakes, was built in 1726 and is also the oldest building in North America situated between the Appalachian Mountains and the Mississippi River. The \$1.3 million project included the replacement of the yellow cedar roof at the French Castle, and the adjacent attached restroom building.

"A core part of our mission at New York State Parks is to protect and preserve the history of our state, and there may be no other site as important as Old Fort Niagara," Niagara Region Director Mark V. Mistretta said. "It is always an honor and privilege to partner with the Old Fort Niagara Association to work on important projects like this one."

Old Fort Niagara Executive Director Robert Emerson said, "We are grateful to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for prioritizing this project. Almost a century ago, local leaders formed the Old Fort Niagara Association to save the French Castle from almost certain ruin. That tradition of stewardship continues today as our good friends at State Parks work to ensure that the fort's historic buildings are preserved for future generations."

Associated work includes masonry repair and repointing of all chimneys, and installation of new chimney caps. The last roof on the French Castle was installed in the 1990s.

This project was performed by ICC Common-

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wealth of Buffalo and completes the first phase of a project to restore three buildings at Old Fort Niagara. The next phase of work will involve masonry restoration on the French Castle and the North (1771) and South (1770) Redoubts.

Funding for the projects comes from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, the National Park Service (Department of the Interior), Parks & Trails New York, and the Niagara River Greenway.

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