

PROVIDENCE CENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

Faithful to the Mission: Holding Fast, Pressing Forward



100 YEARS



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DEAR FRIENDS,

AS WE MOVE TOWARD A NEW CENTURY, Providence is committed to continuing in the faith of our past, while embracing a dynamic future in God's service. In the pages that follow, you will learn more about how Providence aims to enhance our ability to serve the needs of our mission through a comprehensive fundraising campaign. Whether we are focused on engaging students in innovative learning, serving as a spiritual, intellectual, and cultural hub for the community, or investing in building a talent pipeline for business and industry in the region, this campaign is designed to support students on their own journey of becoming, enveloped by a culture of care along the way.

This faith-filled campaign will allow Providence to partner with alumni, friends, and leaders in service to our mission. We are hopeful you will join us in this inspiring journey together.

Your participation matters to our students, our community, and our institution. Your support will strengthen Prov's viability into the future. Thank you for all you do for Providence and our students.

Sincerely,

KENTON C. ANDERSON, PhD
President



AHEAD BY A CENTURY

One hundred years after its founding in 1925, having begun as the interdenominational Winnipeg Bible Training School, Providence remains committed to its original vision to develop leaders of knowledge and character who are dedicated to serving both the local community and the world at large.

While this past century has seen many changes in leadership and location at what is presently known as Providence University College & Theological Seminary, faith-based higher education remains its unwavering mission. As former Board of Governors member Agnes DeFehr once stated, “You can be academic and still have a vibrant faith.” This idea accurately reflects our identity as an institution.

There is much to celebrate as Providence marks its centennial in 2025, and even more to anticipate as we look forward to launching innovative new projects in our ongoing efforts to champion the transformational impact of Christ-centred education. To this end, the Centennial Campaign is seeking individuals and organizations to purposefully partner with us to ensure that our core values will continually guide and sustain us well into the future.

“The personal experience of community that you have at Providence is like no other. It’s more than just an education – it’s a place that enabled me to pursue my passion and calling.”

— Bardia Salimkhani, BA Aviation





CORE VALUES

In every aspect of the educational experience that we facilitate at Providence, life together on campus and beyond is informed by five core values, which provide an optimal synthesis of Christian traditions, collective practices, current scholarship, and cultural awareness.

✝ CHRIST FIRST

We value a personal and communal relationship with Christ that is based in Scripture and touches every area of life.

💡 DIVERSITY OF THOUGHT

We invite, encourage, and listen carefully to different voices and opinions, all in the service of strengthening and clarifying our faith.

👥 COMMUNITY

We support and strengthen one another in study and spirit, because we learn and grow better together.

🔍 EXPLORATION

We recognize that faith is a journey. We encourage students to explore and develop their faith perspective.

🎓 ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Our students will receive an education of the highest academic standards in a learning environment that emphasizes faith, character, and skills development.



FAITHFUL TO THE MISSION

CAMPAIGN VISION

100+ YEARS OF HOLDING FAST AND PRESSING FORWARD

As then Assistant Principal and Dean, R. Wesley Affleck, stated in 1940: "We do not know what the coming days hold. We might wish to lift the veil that hides the future from our view, but our wish is vain...yet an answer can be given to the question: What of the future? There is no need to be in doubt in respect to the more important issues...the future is in the hands of an all-wise and sovereign God."

As countless leaders throughout our remarkable history took deliberate steps of faith to persevere in the face of uncertainty, these many years later we envision a similar

Providence whose students, faculty, staff and institutional partners are well equipped to reframe challenges as opportunities to experience God's provision. To this end, the Centennial Campaign represents a bold investment in Providence's future that will continue to prioritize the student experience, provide ample support to its faculty and staff, and expand the scope of our impact locally, nationally, and globally.

PHASE 1 : 2025-2029

CAMPAIGN GOALS

Raising a target of \$20M during Phase One of the Centennial Campaign will ensure that Providence is able to:

- Expand spiritual formation opportunities
- Strengthen academic programs and faculty support
- Improve student access and affordability
- Enhance campus facilities and infrastructure
- Develop expanded community and global engagement

This first phase of the campaign will lay the groundwork for our continued missional impact, educational innovation, strategic growth, and long-term sustainability.

CAMPAIGN PRIORITIES



DEEPEN OUR SPIRITUAL FOUNDATION

\$3,500,000



CREATE A MORE WELCOMING CAMPUS

\$8,000,000



REVITALIZE THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

\$4,500,000



SUSTAIN THE PROVIDENCE FUND

\$4,000,000

Read on for more detailed descriptions on each campaign priority. —————>

PHASE 2 : 2030-2034

PHASE 3 : 2035-2040





DEEPENING OUR SPIRITUAL FOUNDATION

GOAL: \$3,500,000

- **Renovation of the R. W. Affleck Chapel**
- **Creation of a \$1M endowment to support the long-term funding of the campus pastor position**
- **Expansion of the “Pop Up Prov” initiative to enhance church partnerships**

Chapel Renovation & Campus Pastor Endowment

At the heart of Providence’s next century is a renewed commitment to Christ-centred spiritual formation. We aim to strengthen this foundation through a revitalized chapel, expanded discipleship programming, and a permanent endowment for the campus pastor role. While not all students come to Providence with a faith background, we seek to create an environment where every student is invited into deeper reflection and spiritual growth.

Pop-Up Prov

Through “Pop-Up Prov,” Providence will bring theological education and leadership development directly to churches in communities around our Otterburne campus, the city of Winnipeg, and across Canada and the United States. This initiative offers flexible, in-context learning – from micro-credentials to full degrees – designed to strengthen pastors, leaders, and congregations across provincial lines and beyond.



REVITALIZING THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE



GOAL: \$4,500,000

- **Upgraded Otterburne classrooms, technology, and gymnasium**
- **Expanded student scholarship and bursary support**
- **Introduction of new programs and the hiring of new faculty**

Improved Facilities & Resources

Whether in-class or online, the educational experience is reliant on welcoming learning environments and functional, up-to-date technology. This will require major upgrades on campus. For instance, our gymnasium requires a new floor and other renovations if we are going to continue to see our Providence Pilots athletics programs flourish into the future.

Scholarships & Bursaries

Affordability remains one of the greatest challenges for our students. As a tuition-dependent institution, Providence is committed to expanding scholarship support through a robust trust. This investment will ease financial burdens, increase access, and empower the next generation of students to answer their callings without compromise.

New Programs & Faculty

Providence is preparing for growth by investing in strategic, mission-aligned programs that respond to current and emerging needs. These initiatives require early-stage investment to accelerate development, attract talent, and ensure long-term success:

- **AGRICULTURE** | Training future leaders in Southern Manitoba, one of Canada's most vital agricultural sectors.
- **WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT** | Partnering with business and industry to equip graduates with essential skills and shared values.
- **INDIGENOUS LEADERSHIP** | Supporting Truth and Reconciliation through contextualized leadership development with Indigenous communities in Manitoba and across Canada.
- **TRANSNATIONAL EDUCATION** | Extending global learning initiatives through hybrid, online, competency-based models led by community partners.



CREATING A MORE WELCOMING CAMPUS

GOAL: \$8,000,000

- **Installation of accessibility ramps and an elevator in the Hanna Centre as well as upgrading all main entrances**
- **Improvements to entrance driveway, campus walkways, roadways, parking, and landscaping**

Campus Enhancement

Our beautiful rural campus is central to our legacy and is the physical staging ground and foundation for everything that we do in Otterburne. In addition to an array of practical enhancements such as paving the parking lot, installing better pathways and outdoor lighting systems, and upgrading the main entrances to the Hanna Centre, it is necessary for Providence to install an elevator in order to comply with provincial accessibility requirements. A re-designed campus boulevard entrance is also envisioned. These improvements will not only create a strong “first impression” for potential students and prospective employees, but are essential for the safety and positive experience of current students, staff, faculty, and visitors.



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SUSTAINING THE PROVIDENCE FUND

GOAL: \$4,000,000

- **Providing day-to-day excellence for Providence**
- **Comprehensive support for faculty, staff, and students**

The Providence Fund

Supporting the Providence Fund ensures that every student is afforded the best possible educational experience. For students, our aim is to make a Providence education academically rigorous and financially accessible for every deserving student. Day-to-day operations on campus are financed by the Providence Fund – ensuring that all aspects of a student’s experience are held to a standard of excellence. For staff and faculty, this means ongoing progress towards competitive salary and benefits packages, access to the latest technology, and intentionally supporting professional development training and research opportunities. All donations given to the Providence Fund allow Providence to deliver the quality of education that people have come to expect – transforming students, staff and faculty into leaders of character, knowledge, and faith.

CAMPAIGN OUTCOMES

By reaching our initial \$20M goal, Providence will:

- Increase enrollment by introducing sought-after programs.
- Attract and retain top faculty through endowed positions and providing continued progress towards more competitive salaries and expanded professional development initiatives.
- Improve student satisfaction and retention through facility upgrades, increased student life opportunities, and modernized community spaces.
- Reduce financial barriers for students through scholarships and bursaries.
- Expand our influence locally and globally through transnational and church-based learning models.
- Strengthen our enduring legacy and readiness for the future.

HOLDING FAST. PRESSING FORWARD.

“At times in higher education, we can be deceived into thinking that bigger and more well-known schools equate to better quality and more opportunities. This is unfair to smaller schools, whose professors often have more time and space for relationship. For students who are looking for mentored learning, the space and safety to dialogue openly, and long-lasting friendships with faculty and classmates, Providence is the place to be.”

— Katy Shimp, MEd TESOL





THAT'S PHASE ONE. WHAT'S NEXT?

"We envision a transformative fundraising campaign that will be deeply rooted in our unwavering Christ-centred faith, will ensure that each student's journey is marked by excellence, opportunity and profound spiritual growth, and will catapult us towards our goal of becoming a fully comprehensive university."

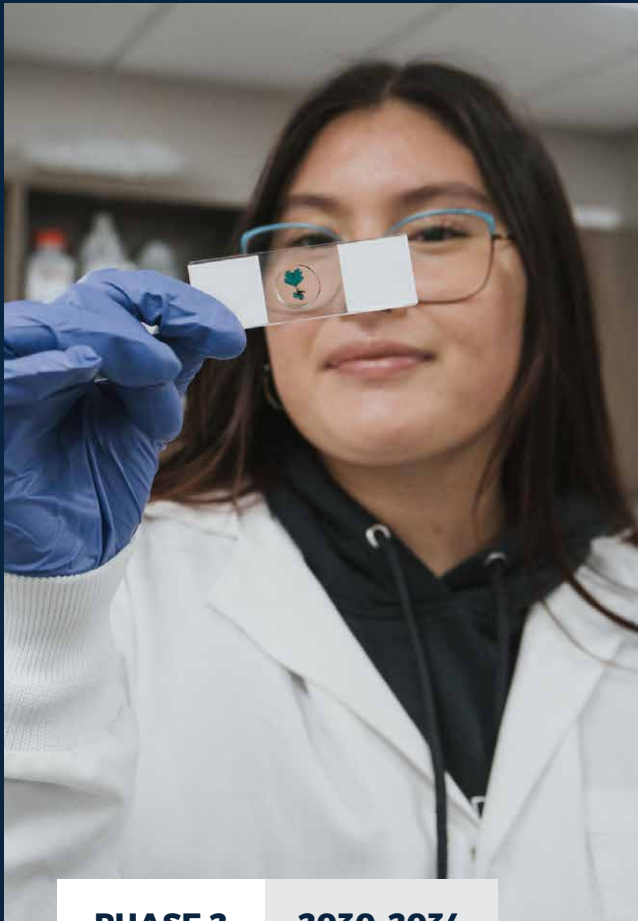
— Kenton C. Anderson, PhD, President



LET'S IMAGINE THE FUTURE OF PROVIDENCE - TOGETHER

Discover what could be possible in the coming years with your help in Phases Two and Three.

LOOKING FORWARD



PHASE 2

2030-2034

FACILITATING A GROWING OPPORTUNITY

Providence is also casting a vision of growth for our future beyond the initial program-revitalizing campaign goals of Phase One.

To support future students enrolled in new program initiatives that will be launched, we anticipate that a state-of-the-art new learning centre will be necessary to build in order to accommodate a variety of new classrooms, laboratories, and multi-purpose spaces.

This will allow Providence to grow into a yet unforeseen future of meeting the imminent educational needs of our local community and beyond.



PHASE 3

2035-2040

HOUSING THE NEXT GENERATION

Due to the introduction of new programs in Phases One and Two, the resulting growth in the student population will need to be provided for in terms of accommodation.

Phase Three will feature the construction of a brand-new men's residence to match the quality of our women's dormitory; namely, Muriel Taylor Hall.

The existing Eichhorst residence and fourplexes will be upgraded into modern apartments suitable for senior students and families. Offering housing to this demographic of students will greatly enhance the university's retention strategy.



BE PART OF THE NEXT 100 YEARS OF HISTORY

This is a defining moment in the life of Providence. One hundred years of faithful education, service, and transformation – and now a bold step forward into our second century.

We invite you to join us. Your investment – no matter the size – will shape the future of Providence and the students we serve. With your help, we will:

- Educate and equip new generations of Christian leaders.
- Create space for deeper faith formation and belonging.
- Strengthen the institution's long-term mission and impact.

Please consider how you might contribute to this extraordinary opportunity. Through prayer, generosity, and partnership, you can help Providence continue to be a beacon of Christ-centred education for decades to come.

Let's build the next 100 years together.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE

Big or small, your contribution is advancing the mission of Providence. And there are so many ways to make an impact in the Providence community. We would love to discuss how your contribution can make the biggest impact.

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