



# LOCAL 444

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## Hope Restored by Unifor

### Unifor Skilled Trades workers fully restore men's shelter Kitchen.

Hope Haven in the heart of downtown Chatham offers a safe shelter for ten homeless men in the Chatham-Kent area. Hope Haven gives support to men who find themselves homeless for a variety of reasons, including job loss, mental health issues, drug addictions etc. The over one-hundred-year-old building's kitchen was in dire straits and needed hope and a prayer. The project to restore the kitchen was first presented to Windsor Essex County Skilled Trades Council, which was kicked up by the Council's President Dave Cassidy, who had the project green-lighted by the Unifor National office. In just TEN days, a team of tradespeople stripped the kitchen down to the studs and worked their magic. The final result is just fantastic! From Custom cupboards to new appliances, you would never guess you were in the same kitchen only ten days ago.

**What:** Press conference/ big reveal of the fully restored kitchen at Chatham's Hope Haven a Shelter for the homeless.

**When:** Friday, February 21 at 11:00 am

**Where:** Hope Haven 183 Wellington St. West, Chatham ON, N7M 2G4

**\*Who will be there:** Dave Cassidy President of Local 444/ Unifor National Skilled Trades chair, The good folks of Hope Haven, the Skilled Trades Team and a \*special guest is flying in and one of his stops will be the Hope Haven reveal.

Giving is not just about donating; it's about making a difference. Yes, the kitchen was restored, and the hope was that Unifor was able to help restore the dignity of these men who are struggling in life.

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