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Saint John, Kings  
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## Stories that **Unite** us.

### **Just days remain to support our critical campaign**

In the final days of our annual giving campaign, we find ourselves short of where we should be to reach our goal. Can you help?



These are such difficult times for many in Saint John, Kings and Charlotte. Amid rising prices and a shortage of affordable housing, more people do not have a place to live. Still others find themselves deeper in despair, unsure of where to turn.

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**Raylyn's story:  
Having fun while  
improving her  
reading**



Raylyn's smile says it all.

To keep up with her reading skills, the Grade 3 student at Milltown Elementary School regularly attended Sylvan tutoring. Last spring, her determination shone through and she was

mastering new reading skills week after week.

Then came summer and she kept going to school – for the eight-week Summer Slide program, which combines refreshers in math and reading with fun activities so that youth are better equipped for success once school resumes.

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## More than kids benefit from Bee Me Kidz



Sarah, a staff member at Bee Me Kidz, is amazed at the transformation unfolding among the parents.

In past years, parents would find all sorts of excuses to drop their children and leave instead of staying for the parents program.

“Oh, here’s my cell number – I can’t stay.” Or, “I don’t do group settings.” Or, “I don’t want to be judged.”

Lately, Sarah has seen parents choosing to stay.

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## #UNIGNORABLE FACT

Over the past year in New Brunswick, there has been a 25% increase in chronic homelessness, which refers to people who have been without a home for at least six months.



## #LOCAL LOVE FACT

1 in 4 organizations directly supported by United Way Saint John, Kings & Charlotte provide urgent and transitional housing to individuals. Many more provide wraparound support to help people find housing.



## New Brunswick's 211 service: Help starts here

There were more than 18,000 requests for help fielded by 211 in New Brunswick last year.

Like the older man who called, explaining that he lived alone and had fallen in

his home the week before.

The service navigator let him know that there was help available to make sure that he could enhance his safety at home.

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## Your support changes lives

Your support changes lives. If you haven't had a chance to give, it is as simple as clicking below. Thank you for sharing your love.

**Feb. 29 is the last day to support this year's campaign!**

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