



**community food centres**  
**CANADA** good food is just the beginning

February 5, 2021

City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

Dear City Council,

Community Food Centres Canada (CFCC) is happy to write this letter demonstrating our partnership commitment with Neighbour to Neighbour for the Hamilton Community Food Centre. As you may know, CFCC builds and supports the development of welcoming places that provide access to food, build skills and engage community in work to create greater equity and inclusion. We currently have partnership agreements with 13 organizations across the country who have developed community food centres in their neighbourhoods.

We have been working with Neighbour to Neighbour since the Fall of 2014 on the development of the Hamilton Community Food Centre (HCFC) and signed a five-year Affiliate Agreement almost a year later. We are currently working on a five-year extension agreement that will confirm our partnership to the fall of 2025. As stated in our Affiliate Agreement, CFCC's intention is to contribute a \$200,000 base allocation each year and potentially beyond, if we have the funds and the HCFC meets our operating standards. The HCFC is required to raise the balance of funds for operating costs to ensure that the CFCC operating standards are maintained.

We know that the Hamilton CFC is a great benefit to its community members and are excited to continue our partnership as they expand their programming and improve their space. We hope that you will renew your partnership to enable the continuance of the Community Food Centre in Hamilton.

If you require further information about our agreement with HCFC, please do not hesitate to reach me at [nick@cfccanada.ca](mailto:nick@cfccanada.ca) or 416-531-8826 ext. 227.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nick Saul".

Nick Saul  
CEO  
Community Food Centres Canada