

## King's Celebrates Grand Opening of The Elizabeth Russell Achievement Centre after \$1 Million Donation

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London, ON – It's time for the reveal! <u>The G. Emmett Cardinal Carter Library received a \$1 million</u> <u>donation</u> from the estate of former Chief Librarian Elizabeth Russell, one of the largest individual gifts in the history of King's University College. That funding has revolutionized the first floor of the library! With these renovations, the library is further positioned as an accessible, inclusive and inspiring environment for learning, collaboration, creativity, and student success activities. The Elizabeth Russell Achievement Centre now offers students, faculty and staff:

- improved access to technology better access to printing, copying and scanning, more accessible computer stations, and easier access to borrowing technology
- three additional scan to email printers
- enhanced study spaces 76 study stations, 24 reading chairs, 12 computer work stations and one new meeting room
- three sound-proof study pods
- community-based places to learn, collaborate and research including via technology pods

The grand opening of The Elizabeth Russell Achievement Centre is taking place on November 25, 2022 at noon, on the main floor of the library at 266 Epworth Ave., London, Ontario. Parking is available in lot 1 on the north side of Epworth Ave.

Russell had a tremendous impact on the planning of the Cardinal Carter Library. When the Library opened in 1995, it was a state-of-the art facility that provided access to the latest library information technology. The rejuvenation of the first floor was greatly needed and Russell's donation made it all possible.

**Quotes:** "Ms. Russell has demonstrated, through this generous gift from her estate, her lifelong belief in being a responsible guardian of education. Little did she know the future needs of our students and the technological supports that would be necessary to further their education and help them flourish. However, she entrusted to us her belief in King's and that we would be good stewards. I am so grateful for her leadership and honoured to see her positive impact on the community will continue," says Dr. Malloy, President, King's University College.

King's is a public Catholic University College that provides general and honours degree programs in the liberal arts, social sciences, management, and a master's degree in social work. It is positioned in the top rank of institutions of higher learning in Canada for the high quality of its teaching faculty and student experience. Institutionally autonomous, King's is academically affiliated with Western University, and

King's graduates receive a Western University degree. King's is open to students of all faith backgrounds, with its community centered on the values of social justice, equality and the education of the whole person.

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