



### **New Updates**

No new updates :)

### **Continuing Updates**

#### Mental Health Working Group

- Submitted our list of recommendations to the University administration in regards to changes and additions that we would like to see implemented for students.
- The full list of our recommendations will be posted on social media as well as on the website. The website ([umsu.ca/mentalhealth](http://umsu.ca/mentalhealth)) also includes a comprehensive list of on and off-campus resources that the Mental Health Working Group put together as well as health coverage for mental health professionals provided through your StudentCare health insurance plan and My Student Wellbeing.

#### Pop-Up Thrift Shop

- The Pop-Up Thrift Shop was initially held from April 3-6, but after experiencing much success, we decided to extend it until the 12<sup>th</sup>.
- We made a total of \$107.25 in sales. All proceeds were donated to the UMSU Holiday Hampers Program.
- The remainder of the unsold items have been donated to Resource Assistance for Youth (RAY), which is a non-profit organization that develops programming, training, and support for youth in need.
- Thank you to everyone who donated to and shopped at our pop-up thrift shop. I'd like to extend a huge thank you to our marketing staff and volunteers for operating the thrift shop throughout the few days. We saw a lot of traction throughout its operation and many students expressed interest in seeing initiatives like this in the future.

#### UMSU Super Clinic

- The UMSU Super Clinic was started in partnership with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) and Service Canada to provide students with free tax filing services, obtaining a SIN, and services for small business and self-employed students. We helped over 200 students access these services for free.
- The first Super Clinic was held on March 16<sup>th</sup> and given its success, we had scheduled a second date to provide these services to students on campus.
- The second scheduled date was for Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, however, due to the recent labour disruption of the Public Service Alliance of Canada (including the CRA), we unfortunately had to cancel this session. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused, but are looking forward to partnering with the CRA and Service Canada again in the future to provide more free governmental assistance services to students on campus.

### **External Events & Meetings Attended**

April 17 – Mental Health Working Group

April 25 – Dinner with Pitblado



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**TO:** UMSU Board of Directors  
**FROM:** VP Community Engagement, Elishia Ratel  
**DATE:** April 27<sup>th</sup> 2023  
**RE:** **Report to the Board, April 2023**

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**Thank You!**

I am so grateful to have served as your Vice-President Community Engagement this year alongside the rest of the executive team, community reps, board members, and students at the University of Manitoba. In my two years at UMSU, I've had such a rich experience working with staff and students to better our community one step at a time. I'd like to commend all of you for investing your time and energy in creating safer and more inclusive spaces, and contributing to a university culture that is active, involved, and that cares for the wellbeing of others. We have seen a lot of success in the steps we've taken this year and I'm very proud of all we've accomplished. I am so grateful to have been a part of the UMSU team and to have the chance to build on the legacy we uphold and continue to improve upon. I am beyond excited to take a step back and witness all the amazing work that the incoming team will do and I look forward to crossing paths with you folks in the future. From the bottom of my heart, thank you!