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ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ONTARIO FIRST AID KITS SUPPORT STRACHAN HOUSE IN DOWNTOWN TORONTO



**Roman Cieciewicz KMOB delivers
St. John Council First Aid kits to Strachan House.**

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On 16th December, 200 mini first-aid kits, donated by St. John Council for Ontario and by the Ranger Foundation, were delivered by Roman Cieciewicz KMOB, President of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta - Canadian Association to Strachan House in Toronto. Strachan House is a part of the Homes First Society, which develops and provides affordable and stable housing and transitional support services for the homeless, with a focus on those who have the fewest options while dealing with issues including addiction and mental illness. Strachan House is a weekly recipient of food as part



Brian J.J. Cole KStJ, Chief Executive Officer of St. John Council for Ontario presents First Aid kits to Valentine Lovekin KM with John B. Newman CStJ, Chairman of the Ranger Foundation.

of the Order of Malta's Toronto Region, Hunger Patrol which provides food, new socks, underwear and various other items of clothing to the homeless on the streets of downtown Toronto every Saturday evening without regard to race or creed. The Order's National President is an active volunteer with the hunger patrol.

The Order of Malta is a worldwide lay religious order of the Roman Catholic Church operating since 1113, and while its influence in Canada stretches back to the early 17th century, the Canadian Association was not formally incorporated until 1953.

Since 1992, the three national organizations of the Alliance Orders of Saint John, namely the Canadian Association of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta, the Canadian Priory of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem and the Sub Commandery of the Balley Brandenburg des Ritterlichen Ordens Sankt Johannis vom Spital zu Jerusalem (commonly referred to as Johanniterorden) have pledged to collaborate in our common service through charity to our neighbours, especially the Sick and the Poor.

This initial donation of the First Aid kits by St. John Council of Ontario and the Ranger Foundation further supports our formal pledge of service.