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Anova Announces Vida Acheampong as Residential Program Manager (Clarke Road Shelter)

Anova is committed to acting on the front lines of response for survivors of gender-based violence, and every day, women and their children find safety and hope at the organization's universally accessible, high-security shelters. This important work continues today with even more experience added to the team following the appointment of Vida Acheampong as the Manager of Residential Programs for the Clarke Road Shelter.

"I am delighted that Vida Acheampong will be joining our team and bringing her outstanding experience to the critical work we do every day," Jessie Rodger, Executive Director said. "We are looking forward to welcoming Vida to Anova. Vida's knowledge and practice in working with marginalized and vulnerable people will support survivors of gender-based violence and her deep history in the areas of housing, homelessness, harm reduction and equity will further enhance our team." We look forward to Vida starting her position at Anova on September 26th, 2022.

"I am humbled for the opportunity to be part of the Anova Team," shares Vida. She is eager to start building relationships across the team and with community stakeholders as we work together to answer the call of survivors and agitate for systemic change.

Anova's Clarke Road Shelter is a 27-bed space for women-identified individuals, their children and pets to find safety and support. Acheampong will provide support to our front-line service delivery team and will be an important part of the leadership team at Anova.

About Anova

Anova is the largest shelter and sexual assault centre in Ontario serving and supporting thousands of survivors every year. With expert staff opening the door and answering the call through shelter, support, advocacy and education. Anova helps to ensure women, their children and all survivors of gender-based violence today and tomorrow find a new start by delivering much needed services and advocating for systems change.

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