



All-Canadian Renovations FUTURE FOCUS BUILT ON PAST EXPERIENCE

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GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING at All-Canadian Renovations (ACR). The 16 year old company has built a reputation on strong construction and customer service principles envisioned and led by founders Tony Teunis and Mike Kerr. Multiple industry awards, strong word-of-mouth referrals and scores of satisfied clients have contributed to the company's legacy.

Tony and Mike are pleased to announce that they are passing the torch to new co-owners, Curtis Breslaw and Werner Peters, effective immediately. Curtis takes over the helm as president, sales and project manager along with Werner who assumes the roles of estimator, sales and project manager.

The good news is that Tony and Mike will continue with ACR as sales and customer service reps ensuring that their combined history of experience and construction knowledge will remain active within the ACR organization as a valuable resource to staff and clients alike.

In fact, before Curtis and Werner decided to assume leadership of the company, they wanted it known that they weren't interested in buying the business if Tony and Mike weren't going to continue to be a part of it. Says Curtis, "We are very happy to have them as sales reps for as long as they're willing to stay with us."

As for the new owners, Curtis and Werner bring a solid history of construction knowledge and experience to the ACR family. Curtis was a previous employee with ACR for six years before moving on to another Winnipeg renovation company. "I really, really loved this company back when I was an employee and I love it even more now. It's a very reputable company with very high accolades."

Werner's background is diverse. "I've always enjoyed renovating homes and meeting people doing this kind of work. I've been in construction material supplies since 1983 in varying capacities but always found it interesting and enjoyable taking



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on the challenges of helping people with their renovations. So it seemed like a really good fit!"

The partners agree that looking forward, they are committed to maintaining the integrity and workmanship for which the company has been known since its inception.

The co-owners don't want to become a 10 billion dollar a year company "but we definitely want to maintain and keep what is here," says Curtis. "We may expand a bit more into our window and door department since that's an area we have a lot of expertise in with Werner joining the company. It's an area that's available for us to grow."

Werner affirms that "for our past, present and future clients, it will still be business as usual as we navigate a seamless transition."

Company constants remain including 10 full-time employees with specific skills from carpentry to concrete work, roofing, drywall and painting with established sub-trades hired for plumbing and electrical.

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Besides renovating character homes, ACR has tackled projects in nearly every part of Winnipeg including River Heights, Tuxedo,



Wellington Crescent, Charleswood, Garden City and the Maples. "There isn't anything that we're afraid to tackle," says Curtis, "from 125 year old homes to brand-spanking new modern homes that need a basement development. We're not afraid to quote on anything. In our minds, if we don't look at it, someone else will."

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