

Darin Hovius, BA, BSW, RSW

Member Representative

Term: 2021-2024 (1st term)
Region: Capital

Biography



Darin holds a Bachelor of Arts in History from the University of Winnipeg (2013) and a Bachelor of Social Work degree from Booth University College (2021). Darin's pursuit of a BSW came after years of working in various support roles, leadership development and mentorship opportunities with youth and adults. Social Work has been an avenue for Darin to utilize many of his passions, skills and experiences in a greater capacity to bring about social change.

Darin has been working for the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority since December 2020 in various roles. He currently holds a position as the Housing Coordinator with the Downtown/Point Douglas My Health Team. Darin's role includes housing navigation, support in maintaining housing and proactively seeking to minimize the risk of homelessness. Darin works at building good relationships in the community with landlords and housing agencies as well as providing advocacy on behalf of individuals. Darin recognizes that good quality housing is a social determinant of health and works with the lens that no real change can happen unless someone has a safe place to lay their head. On the side, Darin is a group facilitator for Salvation Army's Corrections & Justice Services Choose 2 Change Program.

Darin previously served on the Board of Directors for the Manitoba College of Social Workers as a Student Representative (2020-2021). Darin also serves on the MCSW Registration Committee. Darin believes in the importance of maintaining professionalism in the field of Social Work and he looks forward to continuing his involvement to promote and foster the importance of social work in the lives of people.