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NEWSLETTER

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Get insights into MAP's research, how donations raised will help fund the development of real-world solutions to tackle inequities in communities across Canada and how Staples is supporting MAP. Together we can **EVEN THE ODDS**.

Ask a MAP scientist: What drives pandemics and why?

Dr. Sharmistha Mishra works with her team at MAP to get at the "why" of inequities related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Why is transmission more prominent in some neighbourhoods and networks? Why have the impacts of the pandemic and the benefits of public health measures been inequitably distributed? "As infectious diseases epidemiologists, as people who work on epidemics and outbreaks, the first thing we're taught is to dive deep and understand the why of the differences in transmission," Dr. Mishra said.



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VACCINES FOR KIDS

Bookings for pediatric COVID-19 vaccine appointments now open – how can we ensure an equitable rollout?

AM640 Radio speaks with MAP Investigator and St. Michael's Hospital pediatrician Dr. Shazeen Suleman about Ontario's pediatric COVID-19 vaccine rollout.



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Thanks to you, Giving Tuesday on November 30th was a great success!

On November 30th, for a fourth year Staples Canada participated in Giving Tuesday, this year in support of MAP. Our 300+ stores across Canada participated in the fundraiser and, thanks to your efforts, raised close to \$20,000 to help Even the Odds. Thank you for your support in raising awareness of inequity in Canada, and helping to build vibrant healthy communities!



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EFFECTS OF CHILDHOOD TRAUMA

90 per cent of adults who are homeless experienced childhood trauma

A MAP research paper in Lancet Public Health found that most adults experiencing homelessness have faced an incredible burden of childhood trauma. Homelessness services must be trauma-informed, says lead author Michael Liu, and there must be a greater emphasis on early intervention.



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