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The three Residence Assistants (R.A.'s) of Eli za Ritchie Hall voice similar sentiments. Pam Trueman, who is in the unique position of being Dalhousie's only R.A. ever to return for a third year of duty, sees the difference between life in the female residences and life this year in co-ed as striking. She says that normally at this point in the year, residence tensions are at their greatest. This year, "It's much more realxed.'

Kevin MacIntosh, who returned to work in Eliza Ritchie after working as an R.A. in Howe Hall last year, says that male residents are learning to look at themselves from a different viewpoint. "It's so much better than a single-sex residence... it's the one real-life scenario."

Given the success of the co-ed program up to now, the assignment of more co-ed space may not be far away. Acadia University is currently considering increasing its 15 per cent co-ed capacity. The University of New Brunswick uses 29 per cent of its housing for coed. Mount Alison University uses 33 per cent and some Ontario universities such as Bishop's, Queen's and York reserve more than half their housing space for co-eds. Any expansion of the program at Dalhousie will likely be made in consideration of the growingly disproportionated ratio of male to female first-year residence appli-

This has fostered concern among the members of Howe Hall's Residence Council over the form of such expansion. Of all the incoming first-year students applying for on-campus housing for the 1990-91 school year, 57 per cent were women, creating an acute shortage of space in Shirreff and Eliza Ritchie Halls. To help prevent this problem in the future, a shift in balance of male/female single-sex housing may be neces-

Food

ceives from individuals, grocery stores, wholesalers, and distributors. It receives no direct government assistance, although the building in which it is located is rent-free from the City of Halifax.

"What the food bank is doing, the government should be doing," states one volunteer worker.

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