The Ottawa Rotary Home 30 Years of Caring for Families



The Ottawa Rotary Home







Clients and Staff in front of the Leitrim Campus

Summer 2011







Enjoying the splash pad!

Summer 2012





Adult day program pot luck May 2012







30 Years of Caring

- Helping to keep families healthy and whole since 1982
- Provide 24/7 care to children, youth and adults living with severe physical disabilities and complex medical needs so their parents can have a break
- Highly skilled and professional staff
 (Developmental Service Workers, Nurses)



A Focus on Family

- Keeping families strong and whole
 - High incidence of divorce
 - Child with disability having to leave family home
- Family of 'graduates'
- Extended family of supporters

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"The Rotary Home staff has been and continues to be a lifeline for our family. I am eternally grateful for the care they have given Amber. The Rotary Home is not just a home away from home; it is a second family with loving staff and friends."

- Vanda



Doris Lariviere and her son Jonathan

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Jonathan is 23 years old. He is blind and has cerebral palsy and epilepsy. Now that he is over 21 he can no longer attend his day school and his parents can not afford a full-time weekday program which can cost up to \$20,000 a year.

A Leader in the Community

- The Ottawa Rotary Home has been the proud recipient of several awards:
 - > 2008 United Way Community Builder Award4
 - 2010 Ottawa Chamber of Commerce Not-for-Profit Organization of the Year Award
 - 2012 2nd runner up in the Community Foundation of Ottawa's video showcase contest



Respite Programs

- Range of programs for children all of which are funded by the Ministry of Community and Social Services and the Ministry of Children and Youth Services
- Residential program at the Rochester Street Campus
- Two programs for adult clients:
 - Regular day program (Ministry and fee for service)
 - Overnight respite program (unfunded)





Continuing the Dream

- Hundreds of individual donors, community groups, foundations, businesses and the Provincial Government contributed over \$6.5 million to construct the Leitrim campus
- Rotary Club of Ottawa South contributed \$60,000 and other Clubs individual Rotarians contributed additional \$650,000
- Rotary funded a dream not just of a new building
- The dream also encompasses continued access to respite breaks for families caring for youth and adults with disabilities





Tom Ring and his daughter Shauna

"I am grateful for the services that the Ottawa Rotary Home provides because they allow me to take a break every now and then," says Tom. "The care that Shauna receives at the home is outstanding."

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Success to Date

- Began offering overnight adult respite in 2009
- Over 100 families have accessed the program
- Close to 600 nights of care provided in 2011-2012 fiscal year; For 2012-2013 (year end March 31st) will be close to 900 nights of care
- Program runs for 2-3 weeks each month, with average of 3-4 clients per day accessing services



Capacity v. Reality

- > 200 families of our "graduates" plus many others in the region who could benefit from respite
- Program reached 33 families last year equivalent to only 1 out of every 6 of our graduates
- Program operating at one quarter capacity, beds are left empty because the funding is not in place to run the program
- Cost to operate at full capacity (8 beds, year round) is estimated at \$800,000



From our Families



"While it has been very frustrating trying to get a booking into the adult respite program of the Rotary Home, we truly appreciate the break from the demands of André's care. He has been going to the Rotary Home regularly for 15 years and has always looked forward to his visits."

-Marc and Nicole Moreau



A question of funding

- Program cost at current level \$245,000
- Projected sources of funding for 2013–2014:

\$30,000

\$25,000

\$16,500

\$25,000

\$7,500

- Golf–A–Thon \$70,000 (net) \$30,000
- Foundation grants
- Rotary Clubs
- Corporate partners
- Holiday appeal
- Individual donors
- Nevada (lottery revenue)
- MCSS, other fiscal revenues \$50,000





A new commitment from Rotary

- Adult client families need your support
- Requesting 2 year commitment from all local Rotary Clubs
- \$60,000 over two years from all Clubs



Pledges to date

- To date we have received pledges/donations from:
 - Rotary Club of Hawkesbury
 - Rotary Club of Ottawa Bytown
 - Rotary Club of Ottawa
 - Rotary Club of Nepean Kanata
 - Rotary Club of South Nepean
 - Rotary Club of West Ottawa
 - Rotaract Club of Ottawa South
 - Rotaract Club of Ottawa

TOTAL for 2013 - \$12,000 TOTAL for 2014 - \$12,500



What would this funding provide?

- A families will have access to one weekend a month of respite care (providing almost 200 nights of care over the course of each year)
- A sets of caregivers will have a break every month from the demanding routine of caring for their adult child with a disability
- A adults living with a severe disability will have the opportunity to get out of the house and interact with friends and peers



Other ways you can help

- Support the Golf-A-Thon
- Donate to the Angel Campaign
- Volunteer with us
- Join with other Rotary Club to raise funds in support of the Rotary Home

Be an advocate for the Rotary Home – tell people about us and encourage them to become part of our extended family too!



Rotary Home Golf-A-Thon





Media and Opportunities for Engagement

- Continue to look for ways to get the Home and Rotary's names out in the community
- Publicize Rotary partnership and continuing support in newsletters, website, Facebook





Thank you





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