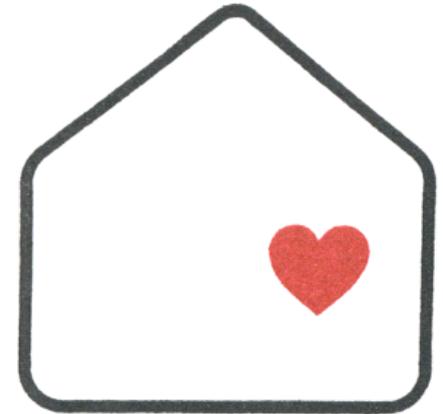


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HOMESHARE

CARING HOMES... CARING HEARTS...



FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you are interested or you just want more information about the Homeshare Program, email, homeshare@ocapdd.on.ca or call 613.569.8993 ext 401.

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THE HOMESHARE PROGRAM

The Homeshare program has been designed to connect individuals with a developmental disability (Sharers) to families and individuals (Providers) in their home within the community.

The Sharer moves into the Provider's home for an indefinite period. Through this caring and shared experience, the Sharer becomes a participant in the household and the community.

The Homeshare program's philosophy is that each Homesharer will have the opportunity to partake as fully as possible in the responsibilities and in the pleasures of family life through the actions and support of the Provider. Most Sharers are already active in the community, attending daily activities such as schools and workshops.

You will be introduced to the Sharer at a time that is convenient for everyone. The Sharer moves into your home as soon as everyone is comfortable with this arrangement.

The Provider receives a daily per diem for the room and board and care and supervision of each Sharer. The Provider also receives an additional fourteen days payment for respite use. As well, the Provider receives ongoing support from the Homeshare Program Case Managers who make regular visits to provide assistance,

and guidance to both the Provider and the Sharer.

The Provider's home can consist of a family, a couple, or an individual. Anyone capable of providing the warm, caring support that an individual with a developmental disability requires.

COMMITMENT

There is no pre-determined length of stay for this arrangement. We, however, hope that Homeshare placement(s) can become permanent. The Homeshare Program for some will serve as stepping-stone to independent living within the community.

QUALIFICATIONS

The real qualifications you need are to be a caring person, willing to share your home and family experiences, and committed to understand and provide for the needs of an adult with a developmental disability.

SCREENING

All potential Homeshare Provider Applicants must pass a screening process before being accepted into the Homeshare Program. Please, call the number in this brochure for more information.

REWARDS

The real rewards of the Homeshare Program are the feeling of personal fulfillment and of satisfaction, which, come from contributing to the happiness of another person. The knowledge that you are making a difference – for the better – in a person's life that has become a happy addition to your home.

HOW CAN I BECOME A HOMESHARE

PROVIDER?

Leave a message with the Homeshare Program at 613.569.8993, extension 401. A Case Manager will call back to explain the program in detail and will answer any questions you may have. You will also be offered, the opportunity to begin the intake process towards becoming a Homeshare Provider. We hope to hear from you, soon.

RESPIRE SERVICES

Qualified Providers in their home offer respite for those Homesharers who require such a service.

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