## **Bringing Our Future Into Focus**





# Annual Report

2020-2021

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# MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Pam Papez President

This past year has been, yet again, a year faced with new challenges and opportunities. Although the year was filled with all the uncertainties and complications of living in a pandemic, we also had times filled with accomplishment and growth.

We found a way to rise above each challenge and became stronger in overcoming each challenge.

"It is through the combined efforts and belief in people by all of us that we continue to grow and see positive changes in people's lives."



Debbie Cavers
Executive
Director

There is much pride in our successful re-accreditation with The Council on Quality and Leadership for an additional 4 years and the creation of an ambitious new Strategic Plan.

We have continued to grow in our work connecting people to community and building relationships through our ABCD and Core Gift work.

Thanks to an amazing team of direct support staff, management, and Board of Directors for all they do, and special thanks to everyone we provide support to for their contributions to the agency and their community. We look forward to more opportunities and adventures as our lives settle into the new normal after a pandemic.



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#### **VISION**

Community Living Brant envisions a welcoming, inclusive community where all are encouraged to reach their full potential.

#### **MISSION**

Community Living Brant is committed to providing supports and services to meet the diverse developmental needs of people within the community.



#### **OUR IMPACT**

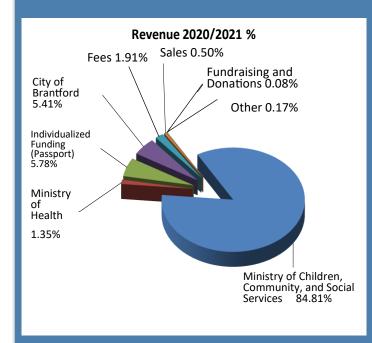
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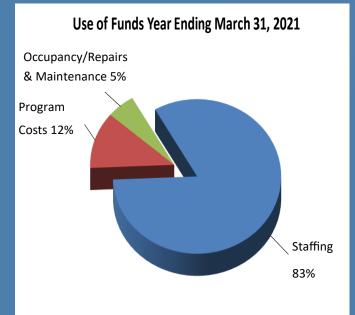
- 397 People Supported
- 32 People supported in Group Living
- People supported in LifeShare
- 123 People accessed Employment Supports
- People received Respite at Colborne Street and Bell Lane
- People received Respite through Ministry of Health "Aging At Home

- 255 Staff
- Student Placements from University and College
- People supported in Supported Living and Community Participation
- People supported in Young Adults in Transition
- People received supports in ODSP Employment Supports
- People purchased our services in Passport Individualized Funding

## **Financial Summary**

Total Revenue for 2020/2021 \$16.8M





THANK YOU ... to our funders, donors, partners, supporters, and volunteer community committee members for your continued support and belief in our mission.

You are definitely making a difference in people's lives.

# PASSPORTS @ CLB



2017

CLB sees an increase to eighty individuals choosing CLB to administer their Passport Funding.

#### 2019

CLB more than doubles: administering on behalf of one hundred and eighty-three people. The IF staff team includes a Support Worker, a Full-Time Program Assistant, and approximately twelve Part-Time Program Assistants.

The creation of an I.F Team was a response to the growth. This team collaborates with other teams for people who may access multiple services across the agency.



#### 2021

The past few years has seen an increase in the emergence of Individualized Teams. More and more people receiving Passport Funding are planning for creative, individualized supports.

Individualized Funding and Individualized Teams
(as well as many of our other services) are working
on implementing virtual applications and platforms
to reduce work isolation and improve team
collaboration. Applications such as Slack and
Microsoft Teams are utilized.

COMMUNITY LIVING BRANT PROVIDES SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING PASSPORT FUNDING. VISIT WWW.CLBRANT.COM FOR MORE INFO!

#### 2016

Community Living Brant Providing Transfer Payment Agency Supports and Brokerage Services with forty-nine individuals receiving Passport Funding from the government.

While the numbers of people we were providing TPA service on behalf of remained below 70, staff throughout the agency who expressed an interest would provide Passport supports as part of their scheduled work week. Staff were connected with people whom they may have already had an established relationship with or they were matched based on their gifts and capacities and what the person indicated they would like support with.

This included FT staff and PT staff.

#### 2018

CLB administering on behalf of eighty-three people. Individualized Funding at CLB brought on it's first part-time program assistant providing solely I.F. supports.

Recruitment of people from community to utilize their Passport Funding with us did not happen until we felt we had the capacity and the knowledge to manage an increase beyond what was organically happening.

In 2018, we began providing education and creating promotional material (i.e. videos.

creating promotional material (i.e. videos, information packages and pamphlets). Connected with local high schools to speak directly with students and provided information packages for the students to bring home.

#### 2020

April 2020, Passport expands the list of eligible expenses. This expansion provided people with access to technology to stay engaged and connected during the pandemic; at home fitness equipment, hobby supplies, and much more.





#### Another Successful 4-Year Person-Centred Accreditation (



When we started to plan for our Accreditation Process in 2019, we had no idea we would be holding it during a world-wide pandemic. Our Accreditation Leadership team coordinated and ran a seamless Accreditation week, embracing all new health and safety protocols. We had an amazing week and successful Accreditation from The Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL).

#### **ACCREDITATION CRITERIA**



- ♦ Person-Centred Excellence Plan
- Personal Outcome Measures
- ♦ Basic Assurances
- Shared Values

#### **COMMUNITY LIVING BRANT'S RESULTS**

- All 46 Indicators required to be present in the 10 Basic Assurance Factors
- Excellent Personal Outcome Measures data
- Amazing supports and services to people



On September 25, 2020, we were thrilled to announce that the CQL Reviewers had completed their Accreditation review of Community Living Brant and that we had achieved another "4-Year Person-Centred Excellence Accreditation" with CQL.

#### We renewed our Person-Centred Excellence Strategic Directions and Short-Term Plan.



FACTOR 4: COMMUNITY

CONNECTIONS



**FACTOR 5: WORKFORCE** 



FACTOR 2: PERSON-CENTRED PLANNING

#### Collaborative Art Project

This piece of art was created for Accreditation Week.

Each panel was created by a person who works, is supported or champions Community Living Brant in some way. It lives in our Art Gallery at the Dunn Building.



#### **Digital Accreditation Project**

In 2020 to 2021, we migrated all of our Accreditation files to digital files. This was no small task. Now, instead of a trunk full of binders, we have a fanny pack full of digital USB sticks full of our work. We can easily update and upload to the new CLQ digital portal for Accreditation in 2024!









#### **KEY STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND KEY ACCOMPLISIMENTS**

To see the full Report, click this link: http://clbrant.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/Strategic-Report.pdf

#### **FACTOR 4 COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

Through our asset-based lens, "community" encompasses place, people, culture, services and trust. We support members to connect to people and assets within the community and perform valid social roles in return. This ensures full citizenship for the organization and individuals.



#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

#### **Asset Based Community Develop**ment

- Presented to Community Living Ontario Annual Conference.
- Started a provincial ABCD group with folks who heard our presentation and wanted to develop a community of practice

### 3rd Annual "Connections" Symposium March 15-20, 2021

International Symposium with participants and speakers from 3 continents,
 208 people in attendance and 407 engagements

#### **Belonging Brant**

- Developed 17 new valid social roles
- 1 person is a new member of a Neighbourhood Association

#### **Core Gift Project results:**

- 12 Core Gift Master Facilitators trained in our agency
- All new staff create a Core Gift Statement at the 6month mark to ensure new best practices for Core Gifts
- Provincial Learning Commons through "From Presence to Citizenship"
- Hope At Work training of teams

#### **FACTOR 5 WORKFORCE**

A person-centred focus is built on an engagement cycle of learning about, listening to and responding to people. The ongoing learning process about personal priorities provides focus on diverse cultures and ideas of people we support, employees and overall community.

#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Creation and implementation of a Hiring Working Group to review and update hiring process, recruitment and retention
- Creation and implementation of a Staff Engagement Committee, which developed a survey and are planning focus groups to start the engagement cycle. They are gathering feedback on work-place satisfaction and communication.
- Wellness Initiatives in 2020/2021, including all agency wellness emails and resources distributed to staff, such as journals, colouring books, mindfulness books and other tools
- Agency-wide training sessions were held on Trauma Informed Practice, Compassion Fatigue, and Hope At Work through the Core Gift Institute
- Management training on Trauma Informed Leadership Skills and

participation in a Mental Health in the Workplace Pilot through our Health and Safety— Safety Group



 Dunn Building Staff Engagement on how to best use and vision our space together

## FACTOR 2 PERSON-CENTRED PLANNING



Person-Centred Planning keeps the focus on each person as the key decision maker in their life. This life planning process is rooted in what is most important to the person and involves the person directly with their community, network of connections and close personal relationships in order to attain life goals and dreams.

#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Engagement work has been started with our Quality Support Group with our first engagement in the fall of 2020.
- Our Employment Consultants participated in a year-long training with W.I.S.E. on Person-Centred Planning through an employment lens.
- 3 employees participated in a year long training and certification of Person-Centred Planning with Helen Sanders and Associates.



#### **Report from Board of Directors**

Our signature Core Gift is improving lives. We do it through having integrity, being forward thinking, having fiscal responsibility, by being engaged and doing more!

#### I. Officers and Directors



**PAM PAPEZ** President



DARLENE **MANZER-HALL** Vice-President



SCOTT HAWTHORN Treasurer



**DEBBIE CAVERS** Secretary/ **Executive Director** 



**BECKY CHAPPLE** Director



**DANIEL CUSTODIO** Director



NADWA ELBADRI Director



**BRUCE JONES** Director



PHILIP SCOTT Director

#### II. Activities / Key Areas of Focus

- Asset Based Community Development Implementation and Trillium "Belonging Brant" Project
- Completion of MCCSS Compliance Review
- Impact of COVID-19 on services
- Completion of new 4-Year CQL Person-Centred Excellence Accreditation and new **Strategic Directions**
- MCCSS Multi-Year Residential Planning

- Continued expansion of Individualized Funding (Passport) and Individualized **Teams**
- Impact of changes for ODSP Employment **Services Transformation**
- **Collective Agreement Negotiations**
- West Region Service System Planning Table, includes regional priorities and goals for adult developmental service providers
- **Broader Public Sector Accessibility Compliance**

#### **III. Committees**

Executive Director Performance Appraisal President, Vice-President, and Treasurer **Negotiations** 

**Audit** 

President, Vice-President, and Director

Chair/Treasurer, President, 2 Community Volunteers



#### **IV. Presentations**

#### Sara Collyer, Director



- Accreditation Preparation
- Employment
- Strategic Plan Updates

#### **Cristin Ladner, Director**



- Community Support Services and LifeShare
- Rights, Core Gifts, Lylla Cox Fund, and Golf Tournament

#### Rishia Burke, Director



- Individualized Funding and Individualized Teams
- Belonging Brant Project

#### Kathryn Dubicki, Director



 Finances, Human Resources, Information Systems, People Receiving Services, Fiduciary Responsibilities, Transfer Payment Cycle Information, and Property

#### Duncan Ross Commercial Account Executive



 Insurance Presentation by Cowan Insurance

## From Presence to Citizenship

 Webinar Recording

#### **Full Management Team**

 Positive, inspiring stories about the people we support and their accomplishments during the pandemic.

# Donna B Anthony Lerno Tara Buchanan Jasmine Perd... Brenda Braund Katie Gard Jasmine Perd... Folder Bergins

## REPORT FROM CORE GIFT PROJECT



#### New Employees:

◆ All new employees at Community Living Brant will have the opportunity to partici-

pate in a Core Gift interview within their first year of joining the agency as best practice.

#### **People We Support:**

 We will continue to create Core Gift Statements with the people we support and explore ways where their gifts can be given in a way that expresses their true passions and contributes to their community.

#### **Master Facilitators:**

- In January, 17 participants from CLB and our various Community Partners gathered for a 2-day *Master Facilitators Course* with Bruce Anderson of the Core Gift Institute. After completing the course requirements, CLB was happy to welcome 10 additional Certified Master Facilitators to help the agency build on the work we have been committed to since the fall of 2017.
- In April, our Master Facilitator Committee was established and will meet monthly to discuss some of the successes and struggles that are often encountered when conducting the Core Gift Interviews.
- Master Facilitators continue to engage in a Provincial Community of Practice with fellow agencies around Ontario as we build upon each other's work and ideas to ensure a Gift Culture is central to all we do.



#### REPORT FROM ASSET BASED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

# OUR INITIATIVES AT A GLANCE



#### **Monthly ABCD Circle**

Many of the CLO Conference session participants were interested in continuing the conversation. What has evolved is "The ABCD Circle", which meets monthly. There are 10-12 people attending each gathering to share stories about ABCD, and learning together about shifting programs and supports using an ABCD approach. Community Living Brant staff host this open space for shared learning.

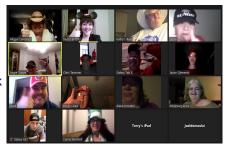


#### **CLO Conference Presenters**

In September, Community Living Brant Staff and self-advocate, Jason Richardson, spoke at the 2020 Community Living Ontario Conference. The session was focused on our asset based community development journey. Jason shared about his role in the Downtown Central Neighborhood Association. The session was well received with about 60 people in attendance.

#### **Brant Zooms**

Much of the ABCD work focuses outside of the organization or in partnership with others.



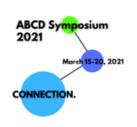
During the Summer of 2020, Community Living Brant partnered with other agencies and neighbourhood associations to provide a series of virtual connection opportunities via Zoom. The series was called Brant Zooms and included learning how to do tie-dye and jam making with Community Living Brant staff, tours of Eagle Place and Holmedale, learning about the SPCA, resources through the Library, and a trivia event with the Brant County Health Unit.

Staying connected and collaborating with others has never been more important.

Community Living Brant has been involved in a number of initiatives over the past year that have incorporated both internal

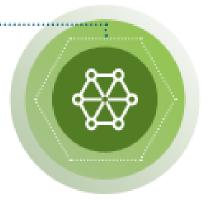
Community Living Brant work and collaboration with partners in the community.





The Brant ABCD Collaborative was not about to let another year go by without hosting the Brant ABCD Symposium. The third installment of the Symposium took place the week of March 15<sup>th</sup>. The week included 13 Zoom events and a

community connection Scavenger Hunt. Speakers came to us from Australia, the United States, and other parts of Canada, and also featured many local community connectors. Through the week of community building, we saw 280 unique individuals registered for events; 407 engagements/people joined us to watch live on Zoom; events ranged from 11-58 live participants on Zoom; participants joined on the Zoom events from Brantford and Brant County, Kenora, the U.K., B.C., Nova Scotia, Washington, Illinois, and Ireland.



The events each provided us with alot to reflect and take action on.

Sessions were recorded on YouTube page: www.youtube.com/channel/UCil\_XkdV8gcu-7hszMcfgGw. To date, there have been 320 views.





Community Living Brant, along with Belonging Brant, are in our fourth year of being the city organizers for Brantford/ Brant County's Jane's Walk. Jane's Walks are citizen-led walks in celebration of Jane Jacobs, a well-loved urbanist and champion of inclusive, healthy and walkable cities.

Once again, this year we took an alternative approach to ensure safety during the pandemic. There were ten citizen-led walks for people to choose from. These included self-guided walks, scavenger and photo hunts, neighbourhood clean-ups, one live streamed walk and some pre-recorded walks that were watch party style on Facebook. We were encouraged by the community champions, which included several folks supported by CLB, who stepped up again to take an innovative approach allowing us to celebrate neighborhoods and community assets.



#### **CQL ACCREDITATION**

In late September, Community Living Brant went through the CQL Accreditation process. Asset Based Community Development played a role throughout the week with folks supported and Community Living Brant staff touring our Reviewers around Brantford learning about our community connections and partnerships. We are pleased that one of the Strategic Planning areas for the next four years includes "Community Connections". Throughout the next four years, we will once again be strategically weaving ABCD thinking into our work to help ensure that people have the opportunity to create meaningful connections and take on new roles in their neighbourhoods.





#### REPORT FROM BELONGING BRANT



Ontario
Trillium Foundation

Fondation Trillium
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Belonging Brant is a three-year Trillium Foundation Grant project being operated through Community Living Brant. The initiative was soft launched in June 2020 with a Zoome-bration attended by about 50

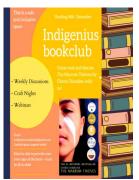
people and with Nick Maisy joining us from Befriend Inc. in Australia, a project that Belonging Brant is modeled after.

The official start for the initiative was October with staff on board, supporting partners meeting and COVID-friendly community outreach using pop-up style events to begin the process of exploring assets (what is strong in our community) and being curious with folks asking questions such as:

What activities make you forget time? What do you want to learn from or teach your neighbours? If you could show me one place in your neighbourhood, what would it be?

Despite the pandemic, there are five active groups that have been able to meet on line and/or operate in a physically distant way. There are several other groups in development, some waiting for a clear

path out of lock down. It has been exciting to see some folks supported by Community Living Brant get involved and provide leadership to the development of a group. The groups are an opportunity for the sharing of gifts and passions and authentic demonstrations of citizenship.











As noted above, the Belonging Brant team hosted this year's ABCD Brant Symposium ensuring it was a true celebration of stories of connecting. The Symposium attracted over 200 people, including local folks, as well as folks from the United States, England, Ireland, other parts of Ontario, Nova Scotia and British Columbia.

In addition to the groups, Belonging Brant facilitates an on-line weekly event for the community called "A Place to Be" and has an in-person location for outside gathering post-lockdown courtesy of Laurier. Belonging Brant staff are also involved in the weekly Community Living Brant Zoom gatherings and lend their interest and expertise on diversity and help to keep us up to date on community happenings.



## REPORT FROM THE FAMILY GROUP

Like most groups, connecting through the pandemic has

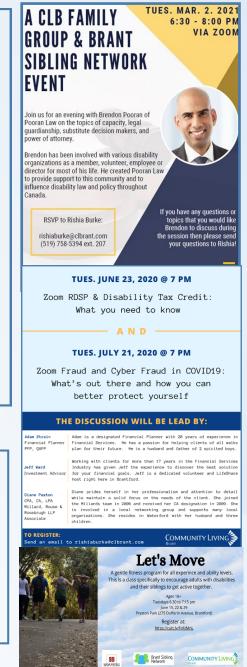
been challenging, but not impossible. Over the past year:

- Three Zoom events with guest speakers were offered to parents and siblings: two Zooms featured financial experts from RBC speaking on RDSPs and Trusts, and then cyber-fraud. In March, 18 individuals joined a Zoom event with Brendon Pooran for a workshop on Estate Planning.
- A number of families joined the community webinar on the COVID-19 Vaccines jointly hosted by CLBrant, the Brant County Health Unit, Community Legal Clinic of Brant, Haldimand and Norfolk, Grand River Community Health Centre and Accessibility Solutions.
- Information sharing via emails have focused on keeping families updated on community happenings, Community Living Ontario resources and events, COVID-19 resources and other relevant information from the sector.

## REPORT FROM THE BRANT SIBLING NETWORK

The Brant Sibling Network has been included in all

2020/21 Family Group Zoom events. The Facebook group remains active. Community Living Brant continues to support the National Sibling Collaborative that has regular Sibling Meet-Ups facilitated by a Brant sibling. Most recently, the Brant Sibling Network has received a small grant from ParticipACTION to help facilitate some active outdoor opportunities in June/July 2021.



## REPORT FROM HEALTH AND SAFETY

Community Living Brant continues to promote a healthy and safe work environment for all employees and people who receive service. Community Living Brant continues to improve its health

and safety programs and training to develop a positive health and safety culture.

Much of the focus for 2020/2021 revolved around COVID-19. This included:

 Working to ensure that safety measures, guidelines, and protocols were in place to mitigate exposure and promote the health and wellbeing of the people we support and staff during the COVID-19 pandemic.





Space is limited to government

## REPORT FROM HEALTH AND SAFETY Continued ....

- Collaborated with the Brant County Health Unit and the Ministry of Labour to gather the most current information and direction regarding procedures and vaccination clinics for staff and people receiving services.
- Created a central location for all Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for distribution to all locations and staff as needed.

The following were other health and safety initiatives in 2020/2021:

- Continued to participate in the WSIB Excellence Program.
- Provided training to employees on various health and safety topics including: Psychological Health and Safety, Emergency Preparedness and Emergency Response, Occupational Health and Safety, Violence in the Workplace, and Safe Driving.

"At the end of the day, the goals are simple: safety and security." - Jodi Rell



#### REPORT FROM THE R.E.A.C.H. OUT SELF-ADVOCATES COMMITTEE

REACH Out, The Self Advocate Committee of Community Living Brant, continues its commitment to empowering people who receive services through advocacy, education and peer support. We strongly believe that each of us has many talents to share and we all deserve a life lived as valued, contributing, and respected members of our community. Committee members continue to develop leadership skills both within Community. Living Brant and in our community.

2020 was mostly a year of staying safe and healthy as we all continue to live with the COVID-19 pandemic.

We were involved in the following projects:

In September, 2020, we participated in a variety of ways in the Accreditation process, including involvement in Basic Assurances groups, a community connection tour, the art project and a self-advocate focus group.



 We are an important part of the 4-Year Strategic Plan for that was developed during the Accreditation process.



**Community Zoom Tea Party Chat** 

 At the beginning of the pandemic, we helped plan Community Zooms as a way to stay connected with our peers and have fun. These zooms continue to this day.

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 We developed a Survey for people receiving services in Supported Living through Community Support Services to measure levels of feeling secure and supported.



 One self-advocate continues her role as a Trainer in our "Recognizing Abuse" training for people receiving services.

We are very much looking forward to being able to get together again in person. We have lots of exciting plans for planning and brainstorming options for support when we are able to meet again.



# REPORT FROM THE RIGHTS COMMITTEE

The Rights Committee is an external committee that has the responsibility to review rights, limitations and restrictions that have been imposed on people who receive service through Community Living Brant.



The following represents the types of restrictions brought forward for approval in the past year:

- Locked doors, closets, and cleaning supplies.
- Limited access to money, medication, cleaning supplies, and personal possessions.
- Psychotropic medication and PRN Protocols.
- Diet or restrictions on access to certain foods/amounts of food.



#### **ANNUAL DATA**

People with approved restrictions (26 for only psychotropic meds)

- 2 New people with approved restrictions
- New restrictions
- Extensions of existing restrictions (12 were psychotropic meds)
- 4 End Reports



## REPORT FROM THE EarlyON CHILD AND FAMILY CENTRE



This past year has been a time of change for the EarlyON Child and Family team due to the global pandemic. The EarlyON team successfully rose to the challenge. The staff worked hard as a team to learn many new technical skills in order to develop and deliver innovative virtual programming for parents/ caregivers and children up to 6 years of age, as well as professional learning for Educators in licensed Home Child Care, Centre Based Care and EarlyON Centres. An increased focus on collaboration with key community EarlyON partners (BrantFACS and Six Nations) has happened to ensure a coordinated and integrated approach for families.

During the lockdowns, our programming pivoted to a virtual platform. A typical week for virtual programming includes 13 virtual program sessions, 2 parent chat groups, and 5 You Tube videos created and uploaded onto You Tube. Staff are also supporting outreach to diverse parent groups in Brant some of which include Belonging Brant, Licensed Child Care and Parks and Recreation. Details about this new programing include:

- You Tube Videos: Stories, Music and Movement,
   Songs, Yoga, Sciencing and Fitness
- Virtual Circles: authentic learning about nature and the environment i.e. small bluebirds, birdhouses, bee houses and gardening
- Special Guests from the Six Nations Family Gathering program involving hands-on creative activities

- \$3,000.00 grant from Healthy Kids at the City of Brantford to provide funding for innovative programming which included Little Chefs, Story Walk, Let's Get Moving and Little Scientists.
- Celebrating and honouring people who have left a legacy. One example is for Jane Jacobs, where staff participated in a virtual Jane's Walk
- Professional Learning Networks for Supervisors on Zoom
- Book Clubs for Educators
- ers in the province of Ontario. We had 157 participants from all over Ontario at the January event. A Facebook support group was developed from the January 2021 meeting to provide a platform for EarlyON staff to share ideas and network with each other
- Joint Professional Development Committee for Professional Development (two school boards, ASCY, Haldimand Norfolk) planned and implemented two successful professional learning events with Dr Stuart Shanker on video about the topics of Self-regulation and Building Resilience.
- Outdoor Programming was offered when we opened up for a short time for face-to-face in September 2020 and again in February 2021.

We have missed seeing all of the children, families and educators face-to-face and look forward to when we will be open again full time to continue the journey of supporting healthy child development and learning together!







Carolyn Jarvis



Heather Bush

Kelly Henry

Sherri McCaw

Cynthia Ernst



Rebecca Malig Donna Blackmore



Jennifer Dancetovic

Helen Jenkins

Wendy Summers



Jennifer Mitchell Cristin Ladner

Amy McWilliams



Judy Brady Nancy Murray Kathryn Dubicki Janet Chatterson Christine Lyons



Melinda Rattie Cameron Stone Ann Marie Dudych



Judy Baillie

Leanne Taylor

Barbara Radmore

5 Years Stephanie Rowe

Patrick Hyatt

Jennifer McKnight

Esther Haan

Craig MacAskill

Jamie Chaney

Rosemary Brown

Guenwa Stewart

Michael Hay



As with all events this year, a little creativity was needed! Recognizing it may be a little while before we can have a large in-person Staff Appreciation Event, we wanted to take the time now to recognize and congratulate staff for their years of service, and present them with their Service Award.



Carolyn Jarvis



**Christine Lyons** 



Rebecca Malig



Sherri McCaw



Kathryn Dubicki



Cyndi Ernst



Helen Jenkins



Jennifer Mitchell



Wendy Summers



Patrick Hyatt



Cristin Ladner



Craig MacAskill



## The recipients also received some sweets from a local bakery...





and let's not forget the very Canadian Covid-19 friendly handshake!





Congratulations to all of the recipients!

### The Rhythm is story

The revolutionary dance of community, you know, the one that makes you feel like you are dancing just by watching it ...

is happening now, and it is full of love.

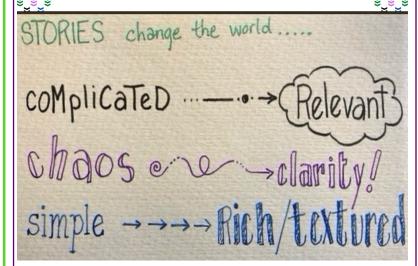
We embody the texture of the story into our actions with our neighbours.

It empowers us to turn our chaos into clarity,
to weave our creativity into connection
and curious questions into relationships.

Join as the world dances,

sway to the collective hum and common voice.

Its power will nourish all our souls.



Written by Sara Collyer, Director, using words gathered from our participation in the international ABCD Unconference.

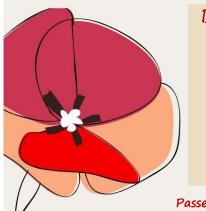


# **SAVE THE DATI**

We fondly remember the people we supported who left us this year. We also remember staff, family of staff, family of people we support, and friends who have passed. We dedicate this Annual Report to their memory.

# In Memorialm

#### FRIENDS WE LOST THIS YEAR



Bill Sarkadi



Passed away June 27, 2020 in his 69th year

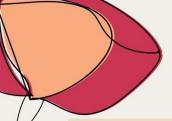


Passed away January 5, 2021, in her 57th year

Sigrid Stolte



Passed away July 23, 2020 in her 73rd year

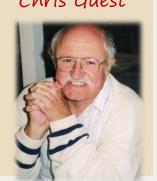


Bernie Cubitt



Passed away November 10, 2020 Passed away May 17, 2021 in his 65th year

Chris Guest



in his 83rd year

Crystal Girdlestone



Passed away June 13,2021 in her 31st year









New Living Opportunities

Vaccinations



3rd Annual ABCD Symposiuim "Connections"













Virtual Board Meetings



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Campaign
commemorating
"May as
Community Living
Month" in the
province





New Gardening Interests