



PROVIDING SOCIAL-JUSTICE ADVOCACY, EDUCATION, AND DIRECT SERVICES THAT EMPOWER THE RESIDENTS OF NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY SINCE 1983

NEWSLETTER

CHAIR'S REPORT BY BETH BELLAIRE

Traditionally, September is a time of both reflection and renewal. As summer comes to a close, we reflect back on this time that always seems to fly by, and we look forward to a return to school or work or routines – and always new adventures.

With our AGM falling in September, then, it seems appropriate to reflect back on our accomplishments of the past and look forward to what is to come.

The Board spent a fair bit of time and energy this past year in Strategic Planning. After completing an in-depth SWOT analysis, we reaffirmed our commitment to serving our clientele via our joint agency structure. We also renewed our Belief, Vision, and Mission Statements and our Service Values:

Belief Statement: *The Help and Legal Centre of Northumberland recognizes that there are social, political, economic and cultural conditions that lead to systemic discrimination. The Centre exists to further and promote social justice, equity, and the right to self-determination.*

Vision: *We envision Northumberland County as a place where all individuals have the resources to meet their basic needs and are empowered to participate in their community in ways that are meaningful to them.*

Mission: *The Help and Legal Centre of Northumberland provides social-justice advocacy, education and direct services that empower the disadvantaged and vulnerable low-income residents of Northumberland County. Services will be delivered with: Integrity, Respect, Responsiveness, Excellence, Accountability, Openness and Consistency*

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Over the next year, we will carry on this process by considering emerging community needs, and adjusting or adding to our service-delivery mix to ensure our programming works to achieve our mission and bring our vision of Northumberland County closer to reality. We will do this in collaboration with other agencies in our county and with the appreciated support of our core funders: The Northumberland United Way and Legal Aid Ontario. It will be a demanding year, but I know our Board and staff are up to the challenge.

In closing, I'd like to thank those Board members who served us well but have now moved on: Bruce Walker, Audrey Ellis, Kim Martins, and Alison Lester. Bruce joined the Board in 2014, and over the next four years, he served as Vice-Chair and as Chair of Fund Raising; he not only provided leadership, but he was always willing to jump in and help wherever needed. Also joining the Board in 2014, Audrey focussed her skills on our ESL program and under her expert guidance, this program developed into the success it now is. Kim Martins was a board member for the past year during which she served as our liaison with the Northumberland Labour Council and helped out in all our fund raising events. Finally, in the two years that Alison has been a board member, she has taken on several roles, including most recently heading up the search for this year's Social Justice Award recipient. All four of these members will be missed – and we wish them all the best.

LEGAL CENTRE NEWS

(2017-2018)

BY LOIS CROMARTY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NORTHUMBERLAND COMMUNITY LEGAL CENTRE

The past fiscal year (April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018) was one of challenges and opportunities for the Legal Centre and its clients. Technological challenges dominated the landscape of our work. A new mandatory database system called CIMS was introduced in May 2017. This proved to be more daunting than any clinic could have foreseen in terms of its design layout, the slowness of the program and the learning curve required to actually use it. Despite these difficulties, our records show that we delivered 4314 summary advice with 136 requests for referral elsewhere (4450 records). We opened 380 files and closed 287 files. CIMS does not yet allow us to produce the data on case outcomes, so it is not possible to report on dollar figures obtained for clients but our case representation success rate remains very high.

Collaborations with other clinics, the private bar and with Queen's Elder Law and funding from other sources continued to allow our clinic to expand the services available to clients.

Review Counsel from Queens Elder Law in Kingston, a Student Legal Aid Services Society, came with law students twice a month to provide wills free of charge to seniors who, while low-income, were above the Legal Aid financial limits or who wanted changes to a will previously executed. Meanwhile, two local lawyers continued to provide free first-time wills to low-income clients below the LAO financial limits.

Our clients received assistance from the Perth legal clinic for wrongful dismissal and employment-related human rights claims; with seniors' law issues from the Seniors Lawyer from the Renfrew clinic; consumer law assistance provide to them from the Community Advocacy & Legal Centre in Belleville; and assistance from Social Work students supervised by Peterborough Legal Clinic. French Language Services also were made available to clients through an agreement with the Cornwall Legal Clinic.

When an external funding program required at least 8 positions to be the subject of the funding application, we had to find other partners if we were going to be able to get our own articling student. With that, we were able to obtain the funding for 20 articling students across the legal clinics system in Ontario.

Developed at our legal clinic, "The Legal Way" free app for iPhones allows the user to find their legal rights, "solve-it" steps and local resources for 19 different legal topics.

Thanks to Legal Aid Ontario and to our Board for the support of our work. Thanks also to the dedicated Legal Centre staff for their continued efforts towards social justice in Northumberland.

THE HELP CENTRE IS NEVER ASLEEP!

BY PATRICIA ORANTES, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



During the last 35 years, The Help Centre has remarkably grown its capacity to support and assist the low-income resident in our community. With its professional, hardworking and committed staff this tiny, but almighty agency, has been creating progressive impact in the community. The Help Centre continues to show leadership in the social service sector by providing a variety of innovative programs and services that are intended to create positive change in Northumberland County. Taking a peak into the past, in the fiscal year 2001/2002 THC served a total of 3,345 clients, versus over 8,000 clients that were served in our last fiscal year 2017/2018 and provided over 16,000 units of service. This is a great revelation that THC continues to be a vital resource for the most vulnerable residents in the County.

Some of our achievements this year are: 30 learners were assisted in our English as a Second Language program; 72 clients at risk of homelessness were successfully assisted; more than 300 seniors were supported through our Seniors' Service Program; 80 clients received grants to re-establish service or avert utility disconnections; 226 clients accessed our budgeting and post-bankruptcy program; over 500 one-on-one sessions were provided to our adult literacy clients and our tax volunteers prepared 2,178 tax returns bringing back to the community \$ 5 million dollars.

The accomplishments of the Help Centre would not have happened without our clients who become essential to understand and identify new needs in the community. They turn into our main judges to measure the impact of our services and who also provide insightful feedback to improve our current programs and services. We also would not be able to achieve our goals without our core funder NORTHUMBERLAND UNITED WAY and all other program funders: Northumberland County, Federal Government through the Rural and Remote program, Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration Canada, Retired Teachers of Ontario and the numerous private donors. Thank you for your continuously financial support.

I would also like to give a special thank you to our dedicated board members and to our amazing staff and front desk volunteers, Karin, Leo, Marybeth, Nancy, Sarah, Karen, Gwen and Susan for their tireless efforts, compassion and hard work to find the best long-term solutions for our clients. Year after year THC has been able to with their variety of innovative services and programs and around strengthen their skills Amazingly.

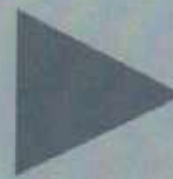
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- CHLOE, SUMMER STUDENT

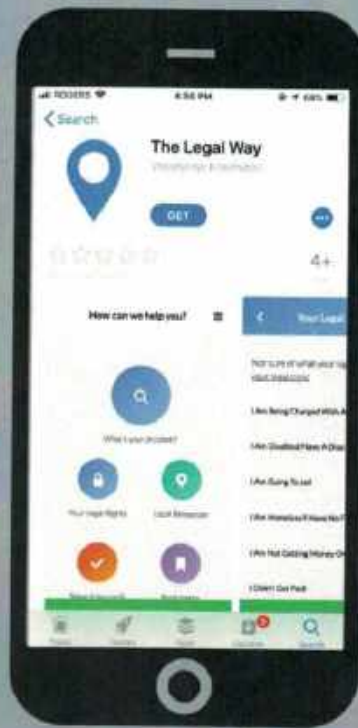
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THE IMPORTANCE OF PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION

BY PETER VANCE



Public legal information is increasingly being relied upon to help people with legal problems understand their rights, take steps to resolve their problems, and navigate the legal system. There is an overwhelming amount of legal information available, making it hard for people to access the information they need. The Northumberland Community Legal Centre continues to support Northumbrians through the development and distribution of current and reliable legal information. In addition to developing and distributing written legal materials, the Legal Centre continues to host public legal education events throughout Northumberland County, often in collaboration with other community partners, so as to improve legal literacy amongst rural and urban Northumbrians alike.



In an attempt to further improve legal literacy and access to justice for Northumbrians, the Legal Centre is also excited to announce the development of a ground-breaking new "App" called The Legal Way which is available for free download from the iTunes Store. The Legal Way represents the culmination of a collaborative effort between the Legal Centre, Ryerson University and Legal Aid Ontario and is designed to allow users to gain access to comprehensive legal information. The Legal Way also allows users to access do-it-yourself/self-help steps, details local resources and service providers, and even connects users to a real legal professional, no matter the time of day or night.

BUILDING CONFIDENCE THROUGH LITERACY

BY NANCY BLACKLER-JENKINS

In today's world, having low literacy skills, can virtually sentence one to poverty. Yet, according to Statistics Canada, nearly half of Canadians have some difficulty with reading materials met in everyday life. **About 22% of the population falls into the lowest level of literacy** – which means they are unable to, for example, look at a bottle of medicine and know the correct amount to give a child. **Another 26% can read but they can only deal with information that is simple**, clearly laid out and in familiar context. Partners in Learning works closely with other Adult Literacy providers in Northumberland to assist individuals who have lower skills to obtain their literacy goals. Our program provides one-to-one literacy instruction to those who are not ready to attend a classroom setting or have not chosen higher learning as a literacy goal.

From April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018, fourteen new learners enrolled in our program along with fourteen carryover learners from the previous year. Sixteen learners exited the program having reached all their literacy goals. A few have moved away or left the program, a number have been referred to other literacy programs, while the remainder of learners continue to work towards their literacy goals. Individual learner goals met include: reading and understanding health related information, obtaining a driver's license, understanding money for budgeting purposes, filling in forms and applications, preparing to attend a course, securing employment, improving an employment situation, and texting and emailing with confidence.



THE IMPORTANCE OF LANDLORDS IN A HOUSING FIRST MODEL

BY MARY BETH MCNULTY

Housing First is a proven successful model of housing for those experiencing homelessness. The model is focused around the concept that people are better able to address other areas of their lives if first stably housed. To do this successfully, there needs to be affordable and available housing to move them to. Northumberland County currently has a 1% vacancy rate and the average market rent for a one-bedroom unit as reported by Canada Mortgage and Housing Cooperation is \$928 although we are seeing new units on the market averaging \$1,085. With the vacancy rate so low (a healthy vacancy rate is 3%) and the average price of a one-bedroom unit so high, clients who are facing a housing crisis often find they have no where to turn. Local landlords have been recognized as key pillars to a successful Housing First model. Therefore, over the past year The Help Centre has been able to move clients from homelessness to housed quickly due to working relationships with local landlords.

We have found that when landlords have a personal connection to a community agency they are more likely to skip the traditional advertisements and screening and contact the agency directly to fill their empty unit. Over the past year The Help Centre, with the support of other community agencies, has been working to better understand landlord relationships. With the knowledge we have gained, The Help Centre, alongside community agencies, is working towards developing a structured program that fosters healthy landlord/tenant relationships. By doing this we will be better equipped to house and support individuals and families. During the last year of this innovative, The Help Centre has developed strong working relationships with 7 local landlords resulting in 9 clients being successfully housed.

STRENGTHENING TENANT RIGHTS

BY DAWOOD NASIR

In the last two years, a number of important changes have been made to the law which strengthen the rights of tenants in Ontario. In the past, landlords routinely evicted tenants on the grounds that they, or one of their family members, needed to move into the rental unit. After the tenant would leave, the landlord would lease the unit again for much more money instead of moving in. The law has now been changed so that landlords have to prove that there is an intention of residing in the unit for at least 12 months. If they lease the unit out again within those 12 months, they are presumed to have evicted the tenant in bad faith and could be liable to pay damages as well as a hefty fine. Landlords also need to give tenants compensation in the form of one month's rent

(or offer the tenant another rental unit acceptable to them) before the Landlord and Tenant Board will issue an eviction order for the "landlord's own use."

Another change to the law is the introduction of a mandatory Standard Form Lease Agreement which must be used for all written tenancies entered into after April 30, 2018. This lease agreement gets rid of illegal terms such as "no pet" clauses or a prohibition on having guests from rental agreements and educates both parties on their rights and obligations.

Changes have also been made to allow victims of domestic abuse to break their lease on shorter notice and to prevent landlords from hiking rent for many units which were previously exempt from the rent increase guidelines. There is still much work to be done to ensure justice is done, but these changes will have a positive impact for many tenants across Ontario.

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THE HELP AND LEGAL CENTRE OF NORTHUMBERLAND SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD FOR 2018

BY BETH BELLAIRE

This monetary award was initiated to recognize a youth or youth group who has dedicated time and energy to the cause of social justice and has demonstrated a commitment to improving the lives of low-income residents of Northumberland.

This year, our recipient is Lily MacKenzie of Cobourg. Throughout her years at Cobourg Collegiate Institute, Lily was a leader who inspired others to get involved, whether it was in school clubs such as Student Council, Link Crew, or CCI Interact or in external organizations such as Horizons of Friendship. In particular, Lily led the CCI Food Collective that was created to raise awareness of food security issues both locally and globally. Locally, this group held fundraisers, food drives, and awareness-raising events. Globally, this group formed a partnership with a community centre in Nicaragua and a collective that works to educate and support women. Lily was also a leader in HOPE, a local dance troupe, which raised significant funds for various local

charities. A winner of the YMCA Peace Medal and of Cobourg's Outstanding Youth Award, Lily has continued her activism at Western University where she has run events to support student well-being and has raised funds for a local women's shelter.

Our presenter this year is Liz Greaves, a past Board member and a tireless advocate for affordable housing. In Toronto, she spearheaded partnerships and programs that helped improve the lives of those living in social housing. Since returning to Cobourg, she has taken on the daunting task of creating more affordable housing here and continues her efforts to improve the lives of her fellow community members.

Finally, a heartfelt thank you to John Foley, owner of Foodland in Cobourg, who has again generously donated the \$500 to cover this award. John is a great community supporter and has taken on this award as a special interest of his.

COMPENSATION FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME

BY SARAH COOLING

The Northumberland Community Legal Centre has again been extremely busy this past year assisting clients apply for compensation when they have been the victim of a crime of violence. The Legal Clinic assisted clients in obtaining several hundred thousand dollars in CICB compensation over the last year.

There have been several changes introduced recently by the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board that will impact clients applying for compensation. Firstly, as of March 30, 2017, the CICB is no longer asking claimants to consent to a criminal records search. This change addresses concerns that the requirement to provide consent could deter victims from applying. This has been an important improvement for victims. Another important change allows youth to file their own applications with the CICB

and to represent themselves, or have a Legal Representative represent them. Previously, if a young person was under the age of 18 an adult had to file the claim on their behalf. This is no longer the case, now young people have the ability to file their own application and to obtain their own representation with respect to filing applications. Although a young person is not eligible to actually receive the compensation funding until they turn 18.

If you have been the victim of a violent crime in the province of Ontario, even if the police were never involved and no charges were ever laid, you should contact the Northumberland Community Legal Centre for free assistance, as we can help you in obtaining the compensation that you are entitled to.

VOTE: MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS MATTER

Monday, October 22, 2018 is election day for all municipalities and school boards in Ontario. We strongly encourage everyone to vote in local elections. The election in your city, town or township might not get as much coverage as provincial or federal elections, but your local politicians make important decisions that affect your everyday life.

Local governments have many responsibilities from emergency services to housing, social services, land use, transit, snow removal, road repair and water and sewer issues. They also make decisions about property taxes. You should take this opportunity to have a say in who is representing you on these issues. You have to be on the voters' list as an elector in order to vote in municipal council or school board elections. You can check to see if you are on the voter's list or add yourself to the list by going to www.voterlookup.ca. You can also call them at 1-866-296-6722 or TTY 1-877-889-6722.

If your name is on the voters' list, you will have to bring one piece of identification that has your name and address printed on it when you go to vote. Your photo or signature is not required. Some types of identification that could be accepted are:

- Ontario driver's license
- Ontario health card
- Mortgage, lease or rental agreement
- Insurance policy
- Credit card statement
- Bill for hydro, water, gas, telephone, internet

To find out where to vote, you can check your municipality's website or contact your municipal office.

CHANGES FOR INJURED WORKERS

BY TERESA WILLIAMS

Injured workers must be fully compensated for their workplace injuries in a timely manner. Injured workers often end up on social assistance before getting what they were entitled to receive from the WSIB in the first place.

Workers are seeking full compensation for lost wages. They want to eliminate the practice of "deeming" what income a worker is capable of earning, despite not actually earning that amount. The WSIB must accept what the treating medical professionals say, rather than hire medical professionals to render an opinion by reviewing documents without seeing the injured worker. Recently, there have been decisions from the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario that have made findings against the WSIB not accommodating workers' disabilities, or countries of origin, etc. John MacKinnon, Executive Director of the Injured Workers Clinic states these decisions "illustrate how we may affect reforms in WSIB administrative

practices by using the Human Rights Code." The trend in Board decisions seems to be moving toward coverage for medical marijuana expenses. There have been several decisions granting coverage for medical marijuana where the medical marijuana decreases opiate intake, among other things. Reducing opiate consumption is a goal for injured workers and health professionals. Advocates are also working towards getting correspondence and cheques sent more directly and in a more timely fashion to injured temporary foreign workers who are no longer in Canada. For example, injured workers in Jamaica often wait weeks for correspondence. In some cases, workers have waited up to eight weeks for a cheque and then have received three at once. Advocates are working towards a more consistent method for workers receiving money and correspondence from the Board. Injured workers and advocates will continue to work for changes.

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We have seen a demand in the community for individuals seeking advice with respect to their Wrongful Dismissal, Workplace Safety and Insurance Act (WSIA), Employment Standards Act, Employment Insurance, and Occupational Health and Safety Act issues.

My goal is to assist and educate employees on their legal rights. Precarious employment can be part-time, on-call, agricultural/seasonal, temporary, or contract type work. These positions often leave workers fearing employer reprisals or contract cancellations if they exercise their legal rights. This vulnerability also extends to eligibility for programs such as Canada Pension Plan and Employment Insurance, among others, where precarious workers often see reduced benefits or outright disqualification due to their employment status. Many foreign nationals working in Canada face similar difficulties. These workers are often uneducated about their rights in Canada and can fear repatriation.

It is important they understand that the law protects them regardless of cultural or language barriers.

Migrant workers pay income tax, Employment Insurance and CPP. Although they receive some information from the government about these programs upon arrival in Canada, it can be a difficult process for them to get clarification or help with their applications. Precarious employment can create significant difficulties in maintaining a quality standard of life due to inconsistent and unpredictable income, housing risk, difficulties in securing education for family members, and even basic food security. My role will be to provide access to justice; to advise and deliver services to clients who have been previously underserved in the community. It is illegal for your employer to fire you, threaten you or penalize you for asking about your rights. Therefore if you, or someone you know, feel that they are employed in precarious work and are seeking legal advice; please contact the Legal Centre for assistance.

BUILDING A SAFE AND DIVERSE ENVIRONMENT IN EVERY CLASS BY SARAH FORREST

Over the past year and a half, The Help Centre's English as a Second Language (ESL) program has welcomed sixty-seven learners from eighteen different countries, Afghanistan, Albania, China, Colombia, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, India, Iraq, Mexico, Poland, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Syria, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine and Venezuela who came to Canada for a better life. It is a difficult choice to leave everything you have ever known to come to another country, where the culture and language is vastly different from your own. Some learners who make this decision have had some formal English education prior to coming to Canada however lack the confidence and familiarity to navigate their new home, while others may not have had the opportunity to learn English either in their country or over the years that they

have resided in Canada. The Help Centre's ESL program continues to develop, with a group of committed and generous volunteer tutors, as a community-based ESL curriculum, offering English classes and one-on-one tutoring. The classes are held at Trinity United Church, Monday to Thursday and each learner is provided a collective and individual learning opportunity to achieve their English goals. This unique program supports learners in improving their English language and literacy skills critical to their social and economic well-being while assisting the learners in creating an inclusive, prosperous life in Northumberland County. Together we build an educational environment that is diverse, safe and ensures everyone knows they are always invited to learn and participate, nurturing a greater community and world for us all.

"WORKING ALONG WITH SARAH, THE TUTORS AND THE LEARNERS EVERY TUESDAY FOR THE SUMMER WAS AN EYE OPENING EXPERIENCE. THIS CLASS IS A HUGE PART OF EACH OF THE LEARNER'S LIVES. THEY'RE NOT ONLY LEARNING ENGLISH BUT IMPROVING THEIR SENSE OF COMMUNITY AND BELONGING."

-CAMILA, PLACEMENT STUDENT

ONTARIO WORKS/ONTARIO DISABILITY CHANGES

BY JASMINE SINGH

As a result of the newly elected provincial government, many positive changes to Ontario Works (OW) and the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) that were scheduled to be implemented this fall have been repealed. These changes would have been advantageous and would have increased the quality of life for individuals on ODSP/OW.

To be clear, while the following changes had been set to be in effect as of September 1, 2018, now NONE of these will be:

1. A 3% increase to basic benefit rates. Allowing an overall increase in the monetary value of benefits received for single individuals and couples.
2. A 2% increase to other allowances, including the guide dog benefit for people with vision impairments and the advanced age allowance for people who are older.
3. Increasing the amounts of money that people on Ontario Works and ODSP can keep when they work a paid job.
4. A change to the definition of "spouse" – from 3 months co-habitation to 3 years to match the definitions established under family law in Ontario.
5. Giving full basic benefits to people who get housing and food from the same provider, including many people with disabilities
6. Allowing people to keep a financial cushion for their old age.
7. Allowing people with disabilities to keep payments from trusts or life insurance policies.
8. Giving support to more people in the North, where daily living costs are much higher.
9. Other positive improvements to the programs.

The new government has taken away all these changes and cancelled the Basic Income Pilot project, promising to produce a new system of social assistance in the near future. For the moment, there will only be an increase in benefits of 1.5 %.

While development of a new system is underway we encourage the residents of Northumberland to be politically involved and aware of changes in benefits in our social assistance system.

OUTREACH SERVICES BY KARIN CUMMINGS

Having to address family needs when the services required are spread around a community the size of Northumberland and possibly with children in tow, can be a huge undertaking. Through our Outreach program The Help Centre tries to eliminate some of the challenge by offering all of our services at hub locations throughout the county. We meet with people in Campbellford, Brighton, Colborne, Alderville, Port Hope and Cobourg. We will also meet in a client's home if there is a need and the client is unable to get to a hub office. These hubs are used on a regular basis and have allowed The Help Centre to offer all services closer to home. One of the many programs we continue to offer through Outreach is the Low Income Assistance Program and the Ontario Electricity Support Program. LEAP assists a one-time grant for Electricity and Natural Gas arrears and the OESP, a monthly credit to your electricity bill. With the OESP in its second year, those receiving the credit are now starting to receive reminder notices to re-apply and continue to receive the credit on their electricity bills. Our clients are indicating that this program has made a big difference to their monthly bills and making it easier to fit the expense into their monthly household spending. In the fiscal year 2017/18, we assisted 130 families with 308 services at 50 separate hub occasions.

FUNDRAISING REPORT

The Fundraising Committee hosted 3 exciting events this year and raised \$16,649 to help the disadvantaged residents of Northumberland access services they need to deal with real-world issues.

Our annual Empty Bowls Fundraising Dinner, which aims to raise awareness about the increasing poverty within our local community, was a great success. Guests enjoyed a selection of appetizers, artisanal soups and desserts prepared by Rosewood Estates chef, Peter Gosling, and excitedly bid on a variety of items in our silent auction. Each guest also took home a handcrafted bowl donated by the Northumberland Potters, with the empty bowl acting as a reminder that there are many who regularly go without in Northumberland. Thank you to all of our donors for your continued generosity and an extra special thank you to Rosewood Estates for your hospitality. Working together we were able to raise just over \$9,000.

Our Yard Sale was again enjoyed by all with some great low cost items and delicious home made samosas available for purchase. This year's event raised over \$400.

In late June, the committee organized a day on the golf course for 72 golfers. This casual and fun tournament actually ended with 3 teams tying for first place. Thank you to all of the golfers who came to support the HLCN and to the local businesses and individuals who provided silent auction items, marketing materials and the tournament awards. This beautiful day on the greens raised helped us to raise another \$6,945.

The Help and Legal Centre of Northumberland's Fundraising Committee is a group of individuals who care about their community and are dedicated to help the disadvantaged residents of Northumberland. As Fundraising Chair I would like to thank EVERYONE who helped make this year's fundraisers a success.

Thank you to everyone for a wonderful year.

Sincerely,

Ashley Hunter
Fundraising Chair



Empty Bowls Sponsors 2018

Rosewood Estates

Northumberland Potters

Empty Bowls Donors (Auction Items) 2018

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Ann Rutledge
Assante Wealth Management
Beyond the Blue Box
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Bruce Forrest
Buttermilk Cafe
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Captain George's Fish & Chips – Port Hope
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Urban Roots Yoga
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Other Donors/Supporters of Empty Bowls

St. Peter's Church (lent us tables)
Holton Flowers (ticket sales location)
All Creatures Great and Small (ticket sales location)
Event Volunteers
All Board and Fundraising Committee Members,
Help Centre & Legal Centre staff

9th Annual Golf Tournament Sponsors

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UNIFOR L-222
UFCW L-175 & 633
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9th Annual Golf Tournament - Donors

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2018 Yard Sale

The real thanks go to the volunteers who make the tables appear and disappear, and the talents that produce and post flyers. Items just seem to appear from many homes - some collected by our board, volunteers and staff; some donated by other supporters. So - THANK YOU to the many neighbours, friends, staff and Board of TLHCN.