



**MEDIA RELEASE - BRIGHTON COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE OPEN HOUSE**  
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**1 Young Street, Brighton, ON**

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**Vision: Our Preferred Future**  
**A community that inspires possibilities to realize the hopes and dreams of all citizens.**

**Mission: Our Purpose**  
**Community Living Campbellford/Brighton supports people with an intellectual disability to fully participate in community life.**

*In the words of Activist M.W. Edelman, "Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and your world better than you found it". It is upon this sentiment that Community Living Campbellford/Brighton has built the Brighton Community Resource Centre. By creating an accessible social and educational hub, the Brighton Community Resource Centre will serve to strengthen community members' emotional, physical and financial well-being.*

*Located at 1 Young Street in Brighton, ON the Resource Centre is a fully accessible facility thanks to funding received through an application to the Enabling Accessibility Fund provided through Human Resources and Skills Development Canada. In response to some of the key challenges facing Northumberland County, Community Living Campbellford/Brighton has developed the new Brighton Community Resource Centre to function as a one-stop location where children, youth, adults, seniors and entrepreneurs can take advantage of accessible and affordable recreation, education, employment and workplace training resources.*

*Community Living Campbellford/Brighton has invested in the Brighton Community Resource Centre knowing that it has a multitude of educational and recreational programming and resources that will engage all community members. Equipped to deliver a unique collection of services not currently offered in the community, the Brighton Community Resource Centre provides a venue where people can build on their existing strengths by sharing knowledge and resources weaving a community fabric that will enrich everyone's quality of life. A place where unemployed and underemployed adults can acquire new skills through a variety of classes including Loyalist College life-long learning and certification courses, the Brighton Community Resource Centre also offers the ability to rent an accessible meeting room for community or family events at an affordable price. Access to high speed internet with the first half hour at no charge, then only \$2.50 per hour thereafter.*

*In 1989, Community Living Campbellford/Brighton launched the Campbellford Community Resource Services in the Trent Hills Community and the Organization is eager to extend the success of the Campbellford location to the Brighton Community Resource Centre. People with intellectual disabilities are under-represented in the workforce; however, there are many people who could be employed with the right services and supports. Many of these people have not considered employment in their future or developed the appropriate job readiness skills to help them achieve this outcome. This venue will give people the opportunity to make connections to do so.*

*This initiative is in full alignment with the Organization's Strategic Plan in that they will continue to be responsive to the needs of adults with an intellectual disability and their families and they will grow in a planned and focused manner. Through strategic alliance building, the capacity of Community Living Campbellford/Brighton to deliver services and supports will be strengthened and enhanced.*

*For more information on the Brighton Community Resource Centre, please call 613-439-8809 or Community Living Campbellford/Brighton at 705-653-1821, x211 or toll free 1-866-528-0825 x211.*

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