

Who Are We?

Community Living Belleville and Area

Community Living Belleville and Area is a fully accredited non-profit organization providing a range of services and supports to adults, youth and children with intellectual disabilities since 1951. Guided by our corporate Mission and Vision, we are committed to supporting people with disabilities through the promotion of their own individual empowerment and autonomy over their own lives. These supports enable people to participate in the life of the community, lead active and productive lives and discover, celebrate and further develop the capacities that lie within.

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FAC – Family Action Committee

The Family Action Committee is comprised of families who were stimulated to seek out innovative housing and support options for their own sons and daughters. FAC engages and invites all families to participate in taking direct action to bring constructive ideas to the table and on working with partners to make them happen. This is the success story around Transition to a Home of Our Own, with the ideal partnership of Community Living Belleville and Area. Work continues on other initiatives. FAC believes in building a network of engaged families, ready to provide the creative work encouraged by government and service agencies in this time of transformation.

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OUR VISION

Community Living Belleville and Area envisions a community where everyone belongs and all people are valued and respected as participating and contributing members.

OUR MISSION

Community Living Belleville and Area exists to provide quality supports to people with intellectual disabilities and to facilitate their full inclusion in community life. Community Living Belleville and Area is also mandated to educate the larger community and to advocate wherever necessary on behalf of people with intellectual disabilities and their families.

TRANSITION TO A HOME OF OUR OWN

In Partnership with the Family Action Committee (FAC)

*An Independent
Living Experience*

Made Possible Through the Ministry
of Community and Social Services



Transitional Respite

People who live with an intellectual disability who are currently living in their family home, or who are supported by an organization receiving community home based supports, will be provided with the experience and skills needed to live as independently as possible.

This real-life experience will be provided in a local community apartment setting which participants are encouraged to treat as their own place.

- Participants are introduced to an apartment living situation away from their family home in a safe manner, allowing them to explore future possibilities.
- Participants identify their own goals and aspirations with the support of a Coordinator.
- The Coordinator—through close observation—teaches and facilitates all activities the person will need to live independently.
- At the end of their learning experience, participants and their families will have an objective report from the Coordinator to identify what supports they will need to have in place to be safe and successful while living independently.
- Participants and their families will work with the Coordinator to develop an experiential stay schedule that meets the participant's needs and provides optimal learning.

This support model maximizes the benefits of services purchased through Passport funding.



A World of Possibilities

Activities Supported

- Time Management
- Cooking & Cleaning
- Personal Health & Hygiene
- Money Management & Budgeting
- Dealing with Emergencies (calling 911, fire drills)
- Building skills/confidence to stay alone overnight
- Personal Safety
- Self-Advocacy
- Using Community Resources & Supports
- Building Social Connections

How To Apply:

Those interested in applying to participate in the *Transition To A Home Of Our Own* service can contact the case worker through their lead agency. The application will be completed with the transition service request and submitted to the local Pressures and Priorities table.

Applicants can purchase this service with Passport Funding. Those interested who do not have a lead agency can contact Community Living Belleville directly to request an application.

