

Wellington Developmental Services



Agency Directory

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In partnership with Family Counselling & Support Services, Upper Grand District School Board and Wellington Catholic School Board we have collaborated to develop this directory.

This is the second edition. The directory was created to help bridge the gap between agencies and the community. We hope that it helps connect you with services you may need to help you, a family member, friend, or client. If you would like to view a more complete listing, please visit the Access Information & Referral website at www.airwellington.ca

If you have any questions, concerns, corrections or would like to be included in next year's edition, please contact:

Access Information & Referral for Developmental Services.

info@airwellington.ca

519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116



Access Information & Referral for Developmental Services

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www.airwellington.ca

The developmental services system in Wellington uses a central point of access for referrals to services. Access Information & Referral (AIR) collects your information, and, with your verbal consent shares this with the service(s) you are requesting and being referred to. A confirmation of the referral is sent to you.

For most services, a contact person at the receiving agency is designated to respond to you within a specified time frame. For other services such as residential and vocational/day programs, your name will be placed on a waitlist with AIR until there is notification of a vacancy. At that time, a shortlist is presented to the agency. Names are organized by priority and selection from the list begins with the most urgent situations. AIR contacts the people on the shortlist about the vacancy.

The service provider will then inform AIR of the status of your referral. Information storage and sharing procedures are in keeping with current privacy legislation requirements. At any time, if you have a change of information to report, please contact AIR. Accurate information helps AIR to serve you better.

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Vocational/Day Programs

Anishnabeg Outreach Employment and Training Inc

Assistance for aboriginal people with resumes and cover letters for those prepared to seek employment.

Address: 179 Woolwich St.
Guelph, ON. N1H 3V4
Phone: (519) 763-5292
Fax: (519) 763-1335
E-mail: Guelph@anishnabeg-outreach.org
Website: www.anishnabegoutreach.org

Acquired Brain Injury Day Program St. Joseph's Hospital and Home

Arts programming, woodworking, gardening, cooking, and games activities.

For people 15 yrs and up who have experienced a traumatic injury to their brain that is impairing their independence and ability to function in the community.

Address: St. Joseph's Health Centre
100 Westmount Rd.
Guelph, ON. N1H 5H8
Phone: (519) 824-6000
Fax: (519) 763-0264
Email: info@sjhh.guelph.on.ca
Website: www.sjhh.guelph.on.ca/program_details.aspx?ID=29

Canadian Mental Health Association Community Employment

Community Employment Services (CES) helps people with significant mental health issues find jobs based on their desired employment goal.

Bridging Employment (BES) helps people with disabilities between the ages of 16 and 65 learn about and access employment resources.

Address: 5420 Highway #6 North
Guelph, ON. N1H 6J2
Phone: CES (519) 766-4450 Ext 229
Phone: BES 1-866-387-6660 Ext. 236
Fax: (519) 766-9211
Website: www.cmhagrb.on.ca

Community Living Guelph Wellington

Adult Day Services (Various Locations)

Options include life skill development, education/literacy, personal interest courses, meaningful activities and volunteering in the community.

ARC Industries (Guelph)

Provides adults 18 years or older with a developmental disability the opportunity to learn employment skills.

Production Works (Centre Wellington)

This client driven business recycles obsolete computers and electronic equipment for reuse.

Supported Employment Program (Various Locations)

Provides training and support for people with an intellectual disability who are searching for paid employment in the community.

Address: ARC and Guelph Adult Day Services
8 Royal Road
Guelph, ON. N1H 1G3

Phone: (519) 824-7147

Address: 280 St. Patrick Street W.
Fergus, ON. N1M 1L7

Phone: (519)787-1539 ext. 3

Address: 3 Shamrock Road
Erin, ON. N0B 1T0

Phone: (519) 833-0399

Address: 135 Fergus St.
Mount Forest, ON. N0G 2L2

Phone: (519) 323-4050

Address: 106 Thomas St.
Harriston, ON. N0G 1Z0

Phone: (519) 338-2659

Website: www.gwacl.on.ca

**Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116**

Lutherwood - CODA

Assists with job search through career planning, including use of interest, aptitude and temperament assessments, learning effective interviewing and self-marketing skills, professional resume and cover letter development. Lutherwood's services are free and available for adults 25 years and older.

Address: 30 Wyndham St Guelph, ON
N1H 4E5

Phone: (519) 822-4141

Fax: (519) 822-6170

E-Mail: volunteers@lutherwood.ca

Website: www.lutherwood.ca

March of Dimes

Programs and services enable adults with physical disabilities to participate more fully in community life, providing them with the tools they need to enhance their independence.

Provides assistive devices, work re-entry and a Supported Employment Program.

Address: 238 St Patrick St.
Fergus, ON. N1M 1M6
Phone: (519) 787-3833
Fax: (519) 787-2911
E-Mail: info@dimes.on.ca
Website: www.marchofdimes.ca

**Ontario Disability Support Program
Employment Supports**

Works with community service providers to help people with disabilities (age 16 yrs & up) prepare for and find jobs, keep a job and advance their career. The program can also help people with disabilities become self-employed.

Address: Ministry of Community & Social Services
86 Gordon St.
Guelph, ON. N1H 4H6
Phone: (519) 822-7500
Toll Free: 1-800-567-2953
TDD/TTY: (519) 822-1561
Website: www.mcscs.gov.on.ca

**Passport Program
Family Counselling & Support Services**

An initiative for adults with a Developmental Disability who have completed school and are seeking Community Participation Supports.

Address: 109 Surrey St E.
Guelph, ON. N1H 3P7
Phone: (519) 824-2431
Toll Free Phone: 1-800-307-7078
Fax: (519) 824-3598
Email: info@familyserviceguelph.on.ca
Website: www.familyserviceguelph.on.ca

**Referral via Access Information & Referral for
Passport. 519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116**

**Second Chance Employment
Counselling**

Provides access to a variety of resources and services to assist youth (16 years & up) and adults in conducting successful career and job searches.

**ACE Program (Achieving Competitive
Employment)**

Helps students (16 yrs & up) with disabilities to get and keep jobs while they are in school.

Address: 177 Norfolk St.
Guelph, ON. N1H 4K1
Phone: (519) 823-2440
Fax: (519) 823-2691
E-Mail: info@2ndchance.on.ca
Website: www.2ndchance.on.ca

**Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116**

Torchlight Services**Torinday**

Common goals for this program are to acquire independence, control behavior, attention to task and decrease attention seeking behaviors. One goal for these participants would be to move onto the main Torchlight Industries program.

Torchlight Industries

Vocational programs and services for adults with disabilities who are encountering barriers to entry into competitive employment.

Participants learn the basic work skills necessary to secure employment.

Community Options

Includes vocational testing, job matching, interest exploration, employment planning, labour market research, contacting possible employers, resume writing/cover letter writing and interview preparation, sourcing and negotiating additional training (GED, Computer skills for the work place) with the funding source, work assessments, paid and unpaid work trials, job placement planning, job coaching and job retention.

Address: 30 Edinburgh Rd.
Guelph, ON. N1H 7J1

Phone: (519) 822-7600

Fax: (519) 822-1210

E-Mail: torserv@guelph.org

Website: www.torchlightservices.ca

**Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015**

Volunteer Centre of Guelph Wellington

Provides database of volunteer opportunities for volunteers.

Provides training resources and assistance to agencies and organizations that utilize volunteers to achieve their goals.

Address: 46 Cork St E, Unit 1
Guelph, ON. N1H 2W8

Phone: (519) 822-0912

Toll Free: 1-866-693-3318

Fax: (519) 822-1389

E-mail: info@volunteerguelphwellington.on.ca

Website: www.volunteerguelphwellington.on.ca



Education

Action Read

Adult Literacy Program: One-to-one and small group tutoring is available for adults 19 years of age and older who want to improve their reading, writing and numeric skills.

Address: 2 Quebec St, Suite 220
Guelph, ON. N1H 2T3

Phone: (519) 836-2759

Fax: (519) 836-7020

E-Mail: action1@on.aibn.com

Website: www.actionread.com

Conestoga College Disability Services

Offers a wide range of services and counselling to accommodate special learning requirements to integrate students with disabilities into a comfortable and rewarding educational environment.

Address: 299 Doon Valley Rm. 2A109
Kitchener, ON. N2G 4M4

Phone: (519) 748-5220 Ext.3258

Fax: (519) 748-3507

Website: www.conestogac.on.ca/spneeds

Humber College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning

Offers a program called Community Integration through Cooperative Education for individuals with a Developmental Disability. This two-year program focuses on areas such as life skills, job readiness, numeracy, human relations and communications. A job practice placement is part of the program. Eligible students must have a basic understanding of his or her personal goals and show a willingness to participate and be involved with an interview.

Address: 205 Humber College Blvd
Etobicoke, ON. M9W 5L7

Phone: (416) 675-6622

Website:

www.studentservices.humber.ca/ssd



University of Guelph Center for Students with Disabilities

Services are available for registered students at the University of Guelph. Students can be full or part-time, graduate or undergraduate and they must have appropriate documentation from a medical or mental health professional.

Address: Guelph, ON. N1G 2W1
Phone: (519) 824-4120 ext. 56208
TTY Phone: (519) 837-0993
Fax: (519) 824-3432
E-Mail: csd@uoguelph.ca
Website: www.slcs.uoguelph.ca/csd

University of Waterloo Services for Students with Disabilities

Provides information, academic accommodations and support services.

Address: 200 University Ave W.
Waterloo, ON. N2L 3G1
Phone: (519) 888-4635 ext 4635
Fax: (519) 746-2401
Website:
www.studentservices.uwaterloo.ca/disabilities

Upper Grand District School Board

Provides a special education programs for students in Guelph Wellington.

Continuing Education

Includes Career Skills Training, Computer Training, English as a Second Language, Interest and Leisure Courses, Literacy & Basic Skills, and Night School.

Address: 500 Victoria Road N.
Guelph, ON. N1E 6K2
Phone: (519) 822-4420
Email: inquiry@ugdsb.on.ca
Website: www.ugdsb.on.ca
Address: 1428 Gordon St.
Guelph, ON. N1H 6H9
Phone: (519) 836-7280
Fax: (519) 837-0244
Website: www.ugdsb.on.ca/conted.htm

Wellington Catholic District School Board

Provides special educational programs for students in Guelph Wellington.

Address: 75 Woolwich Street
Guelph, ON. N1H 6N6
Phone: (519) 821-4600 or
(519) 821-4640 (automated line)
Fax: (519) 824-3088
Website:
<http://www.wellingtoncssb.edu.on.ca>



The Wellington County Learning Centre

Provides residents of the County with a learning service and information about literacy issues.

Adult Literacy Program provides adults with a volunteer one-to-one tutor. Youth Literacy Program provides youth with a volunteer one-to-one tutor.

Adult Small Group Program: This program helps prepare adults to write their GED exam or prepare for the workplace. Introduction to Computer courses, etc.

Address: 124B George St
Arthur, ON N0G 1A0
Office Phone: (519) 848-3462
Toll Free Phone: 1-888-368-7889
Fax: (519) 848-9354
E-Mail: literacy@thewclc.ca
Website: www.thewclc.ca





Residential

<p>Christian Horizons Family Home Program Opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities to reside within a home environment in the community.</p> <p>A matching process between the family and individual is completed. Placements are monitored by Christian Horizons' staff.</p>	<p>Address: Suite 138 Orchard Park Office Centre. 5420 Hwy 6, North, RR5, Guelph, ON. N1H 6J2 Phone: (519) 821-2210 Fax: (519) 821-0321 Website: www.christian-horizons.org</p> <p>Referral via Access Information & Referral 519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116</p>
<p>Community Living Guelph Wellington Supported Independent Living Support is provided to adults with a developmental disability living on their own. Areas of assistance may include with life skill development, budgeting, housing skills, etc.</p> <p>Group Homes Homes are shared by 2 or more people. Support is provided up to 24 hrs per day.</p> <p>Modified Group Living (Guelph) Residences shared by approx. 3 people. Varying hours of staff support is provided 7 days per week. No overnight staff.</p>	<p>Locations: Throughout Guelph and Wellington Address: Administration Office 8 Royal Road Guelph, ON. N1H 1G3 Phone: (519) 824-2480 Fax: (519) 821-6174 E-Mail: gwacl@gwacl.on.ca Website: www.gwacl.on.ca</p> <p>Referral via Access Information & Referral 519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116</p>



Fresh Start Housing Centre

A market rent landlord registry.
Access to telephones.
Common application for access to most of Guelph's non-profit housing.
Newspaper listings.
Help with landlord – tenant issues.
Public internet access.
Referrals to find emergency housing, food and household goods, legal assistance, and community support services.

Address: 150 Wyndham St N
Guelph, ON N1H 4E8
Phone: (519) 822-2887

Hamilton's Hometown Retirement Living (Private)

Retirement living that provides activity programs, meals, snacks, housekeeping and laundry.

Fees apply.

Address: 294 Elora St Box 369
Harriston ON. NOG 1Z0
Phone: (519) 338-4222

**Hatts off Place (Private)
Acquired Brain Injury Services**

Rehabilitation program includes time limited and long-term living opportunities

Treatment is designed to help clients learn the basic skills needed for everyday life and personal development.

Fees Apply.

Address: 100 Duke Street W.
Kitchener, ON. N2H 3W8
Phone: (519) 581-0663
Fax: (519) 581-0628
Email: hattsoffplace@rogers.com
Website: www.hattsoff.com/hattsoff

Hopewell Children's Home

Hopewell Children's Homes is a total care residence & home for children and adults with severe developmental and physical disabilities (Medically Fragile Technologically Dependent).

Address: 5651 Wellington Rd 86
Ariss, ON. N0B 1B0
Phone: (519) 836-9641
Fax: (519) 836-8830
E-mail: info@hopewellchildrenshomes.ca
Website: www.hopewellchildrenshomes.ca

**Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116**



Wellington/Guelph Housing Services

Looks after Application forms for rent-geared-to-income assistance and can be obtained from any Housing Provider.

The Access Centre will assess the completed application and if eligible, place it on the waiting lists of the Housing Providers you have chosen.

Address: 138 Wyndham St. N.
Guelph, ON. N1H 4E8

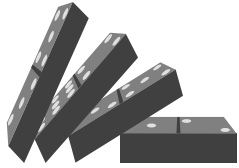
Phone: (519) 824-7822 or 1-800-663-0750

Fax: (519) 837-6349

Website:

<http://county.wellington.on.ca/social.aspx?id=10>





Recreation



Ability Online

A monitored computer friendship network where children and youth with disabilities or chronic illnesses connect with each other as well as their friends, family members, caregivers and supporters. This service is free.

The program helps to remove social and physical barriers that can come with having a disability or illness.

Address: 1120 Finch Ave W., Suite 104
Toronto, ON. M3J 3H7

Toll Free Phone: 1-866-650-6207

Fax: (416) 650-5073

E-Mail: system.manager@ablelink.org

Website: www.abilityonline.org

Best Buddies

Matches University of Guelph students interested in volunteering as a buddy to an individual who has a developmental disability.

Address: University of Guelph
50 Stone Road East
Guelph, ON. N1G 2W1

(via Community Living Guelph Wellington)

Phone: (519) 822-9280 ext.225

Website: www.bestbuddies.ca

Camp Joshua Equestrian Centre

Open year round for all ages. During the school year, September to June, there are riding lessons for beginner to intermediate levels.

A camp operates during the Summer.

Instruction is given in the English discipline by certified instructors who have coached riders of all ages and abilities.

Address: 5725 6th Line RR#1
Rockwood, ON. N0B 2K0

Phone: (519) 856-1647

Website: www.campjoshua.com



City of Guelph**Barrier Free Access**

Working groups within Guelph committed to improving accessibility and the quality of life for citizens with disabilities.

Phone: (519) 822-1260 ext. 2488

TTY: (519) 826-9771

Website: www.gwbarrierfree.org

City of Guelph**Friday Friends**

A drop in social group for teens and young adults with a developmental disability. Weekly evening programs provide an opportunity for individuals to get together with friends to chat, laugh and have fun. Fee applies.

Address: Delhi Rec. Centre
65 Delhi St., Guelph

Time: Fridays 7:00- 9:00 p.m.

Phone: (519) 837-5625

City of Guelph**Guelph Community Guide**

Various programs.
Fees may apply.

LAC Card

This card allows adults with a disability to pay the Seniors rate for many of the Community Services Department courses/programs.

One to One Support

This program matches volunteers with children, youth, and adults who have special needs and would otherwise be unable to participate.

PAL Card

This card is issued to the person with the disability and allows him/her to be accompanied to a City of Guelph program, public facility (ie. pool, skating rink), city bus, and some community services, by a friend, relative, support worker, etc. at no additional cost. The PAL does not have to be the same person every time.

Address: Administration
19 Northumberland
Guelph, ON

Phone: (519) 837-5625

Website:

www.guelph.ca/living.cfm?subCatID=1259&smocid=1842



<p>E-buddies Facilitates e-mail friendships between children and adults with intellectual disabilities and their peers who do not have intellectual disabilities.</p>	<p>Website: www.ebuddies.org</p>
<p>Guelph Enabling Garden The enabling garden is designed for people of all ages with varying degrees of physical and cognitive abilities. The Guelph Enabling Garden, located at Riverside Park, celebrates the reflective, expressive and active connections with nature through multi-sensory features.</p>	<p>Address: P.O. Box 15 Guelph, ON. N1H 6J6 Email: enablinginfo@sympatico.ca Website: www.enablinggarden.org</p>
<p>Guelph Giants A special needs hockey club for individuals of all ages and abilities.</p> <p>The principles of the program are: To have fun! To provide an accessible and inclusive hockey experience. To develop individual and team hockey skills.</p>	<p>Phone: (519) 400-4772 Website: www.guelphgiantshockey.ca</p>
<p>Music Therapy (All Private)</p> <p>Guelph Orff Music Studio 0 – 7 yrs according to birth year</p> <p>Creative Dance/Movement and Music Program 2 – 8 yrs</p> <p>MusiCare 4 yrs and up</p>	<p>Address: Guelph Youth Music Centre 75 Cardigan St. Guelph, ON. Phone: (519) 821-5377 Website: www.guelpharts.ca/guelphorff</p> <p>Address: Guelph Youth Music Centre 75 Cardigan St. Guelph, ON. Phone: (519) 822-8873</p> <p>Phone: (519) 570-2401 (Katie Hampton) Email: katie.hampton@sympatico.ca</p>



Nightlight

Connects guests who have serious immediate needs with an applicable agency, counsellor, or care provider in the community. Emergency Food Pantry: a few food items will be available to people in need. Rec. Room: a safe place to hang out and have fun. Guests can engage in recreational activities. Smoke-free environment. Open Monday to Thursday. Also offers a bible study group.

Address: 86 St. George's Sq.
Guelph, ON

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1647
Guelph, ON. N1H 6R7

Phone: (519) 831-7178

E-mail: bplatz@rayofhope.net

Ontario Special Olympics

Encourages and facilitates the participation of individuals with a developmental disability in fitness, sports, and leisure activities.

Provides an opportunity for competition at regional, provincial, national and international levels for interested individuals. Sports include swimming, 10 pin bowling, floor hockey, track and field, baseball, basketball and indoor/outdoor soccer. There is a nominal fee for participation in sports.

Address: 494 Flannery Dr.
Fergus, ON. N1M 3P1

Phone: (519) 763-0899 (Paul Turner)

Toll Free Phone: 1-888-333-5515

After Hours Phone: (519) 843-2559

Fax: (519) 824-9479

Website: www.specialolympics.ca

PlaySense**Hopewell Children's Homes**

A fully accessible play centre for ages 6-21 yrs with developmental disabilities.

Play times by appointment.
Various other programs are offered.

Address: 20 Shelldale Crescent
(Shelldale Community Centre)
Guelph, ON. N1H 1C8

Phone: (519)780-5052

Website: www.hopewellchildrenshomes.ca

Special Friends Club

Program provides activities and outings for teens and adults with special needs while giving a day of respite to each family. This program is offered on Saturdays from September through June.

There is also a summer program, which runs July and August weekdays. Opportunities for social events, horseback riding, and outings provided. Ages:13 & up.

Address: St Andrew's Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 248

Hillsburgh, ON. N0B 1Z0

Phone: (519) 855-6356 (Chricket Yule)

E-Mail: yulelogcabin@sympatico.ca



Sunrise Therapeutic Riding and Learning Centre

A registered charity providing therapeutic horseback riding lessons.

Camps operate in the Summer.

**Sunset Club
Community Living Guelph Wellington**

A social group for adults with intellectual disabilities that meets every Tuesday evening. Volunteers will assist the Sunset Club Coordinator in facilitating group activities and outings.

Fee may apply for some evenings depending on activity.

Location: 6920 Concession 1, RR2
Puslinch, ON. N0B 2J0

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 133
Guelph, ON. N1H 6J6

Phone: (519) 837-0558

Website: www.sunrise-therapeutic.ca

Address: 8 Royal Road
Guelph, ON. N1H 1G3

Phone: (519) 822-9280 ext.225

Fax: (519) 821-6174

E-mail: mstrimas@gwacl.on.ca

Website: www.gwacl.on.ca

**Track 3 Ski School
Chicopee Ski Club**

Provides children and youth with disabilities the opportunity to safely experience the pleasure of downhill skiing as a leisure activity.

Address: Waterloo Region Track 3 Ski School

396 Morrison Road
Kitchener, ON. N2A 2Z6

Phone: 1-519-748-9802

Website: www.waterlootrack3.com





Financial Assistance



Canada Revenue Agency

Caregiver Tax Credit

Website: *google* Line 315

Child Disability Benefit

Website: *google* Child Disability Benefit

Disability Tax Credits

Website: *google* Form T2201

Individual Income Tax Inquiries

Phone: 1-800-959-8281

Registered Disability Savings Plan

Website: *google* Registered Disability Savings Plan

Tax Clinics

Helps taxpayers who cannot complete their own returns due to age, disability, language or other difficulty. Training sessions are provided to community members, who in turn volunteer to aid filling out tax returns for community members who cannot do their own return. The program runs from mid February to April 30th.

Toll Free Phone: 1-800-959-8281

TTY Phone: 1-800-665-0354

Website:

www.cra-arc.gc.ca/tax/individuals/volunteer/clinics/online.html

TIPS (Tax Info Phone Service – automated)

Phone: 1-800-267-6999



**Canadian Tire Jump Start
(I Want to Play)**

This subsidy gives disadvantaged kids aged 5 to 18 the ability to attend an organized sport or recreational program that lasts a season.

Funding for the program is available up to \$300 per child. The program must be designed to get children physically active.

Website:

www.guelph.ca/living.cfm?itemid=70557&smocid=1827

Easter Seals Society

access2entertainment Card

Provides free admission (or a significant discount) for support persons accompanying a person with a disability at member movie theatres across Canada. The person with the disability pays regular admission.

Incontinence Supplies Grant

For ages 3 – 18 years with a chronic disability resulting in irreversible incontinence lasting longer than 6 months.

Provides financial assistance for medically prescribed equipment and transportation for individuals with physical challenges up to 18 years of age.

Provides community resource information to families. Offers strategies to enable families to advocate for and access services in their community.

Travel Card

Reduced fare for travel with an attendant via participating bus lines and Via Rail.

Website: *google* access2entertainment

Phone: 1-800- 816-4149 or
(519) 249-0822

Fax: (519) 249-1378

Website: www.easterseals.org

Website: *google* Disability Travel Card



**Guelph Community Foundation and
The Guelph Mercury**

With its Kids to Camp Fund, the Mercury will help send Guelph and Wellington children in need to a variety of camping experiences.

Mailing address: P.O. Box 1311
Guelph, ON. N1H 6N6

Phone: (519) 821-9216

E-mail: guelpchf@bellnet.ca

Website: www.guelphcf.ca

Guelph Food Bank

Emergency food for individuals and families living in Guelph/Wellington.

Address: 100 Crimea St.
Guelph, ON. N1H 2Y6

Phone: (519) 767-1380 Guelph

Phone: (519) 323-2330 Harriston

Phone: (519) 323-9312 Mount Forest

Phone: (519) 343-2240 Palmerston

Phone: (519) 848-2667 Arthur

The Jennifer Ashleigh Foundation

Assists children who are chronically or seriously ill, are 21 years of age or younger and whose permanent residence is within Ontario.

This fund is to help with costs surrounding a child's illness when the family is in need financially. Call the foundation office to request an assistance form.

Mailing Address:

The Jennifer Ashleigh Foundation
RR#1 Uxbridge, ON. L9P 1R1

Phone: (905) 852-1779

Fax: (905) 852-0124

Let Kids Play

A program to help families with the cost of activities for their children. Requests are accepted on a first come first serve basis.

Address: 160 St. David St. S.
Fergus, ON. N1M 2L3

Phone: (519) 843-7000

Website:

www.communityresourcecentre.org/f_kids.html



Ministry of Community and Social Services

Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities (ACSD):

Helps the parents of children with severe disabilities meet the extraordinary ongoing costs arising from their child's disability. For children up to the age of 18.

Employment Supports

Employment assistance to people in temporary financial need. A wide range of employment assistance activities, to help prepare for, find and keep a job.

Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP)

Provides income supports for people ages 18 and over with disabilities who are in financial need.

Special Services at Home (SSAH)

Helps people with disabilities to develop new skills and join in community life or to provide the family with parental relief.

Address: Wellington Plaza
86 Gordon St.
Guelph, ON. N1H 4H6
Phone: (519) 822-7500
TTY: (519) 822-1561
Toll Free Phone: 1-800-567-2953
Fax: (519) 837-0789
Website: www.cfcs.gov.on.ca

Ontario Student Assistance Program

Assistance for students with Disabilities. Provides bursary for students with permanent disabilities.

This is non-repayable financial assistance to students to help meet the additional costs of equipment and supplies.

Address: Mowat Block
900 Bay Street
Toronto, ON M7A1L2
Phone: (416) 325 -2929 or 1-800-387-5514
Fax: (416) 325-6348
Website: <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/>



Salvation Army

Provides emergency accommodation, groceries and meals. Family and budget counselling. Assistance in purchase of household needs.

Address: 210 Victoria Rd S.
Guelph, ON. N1E 1E9
Phone: (519) 836-9824
Emergency Line: (519) 766-6327
Email: info@thesalvationarmy.ca
Website:
www.guelphsa.ca/Community.htm

**Special Services at Home (SSAH)
(Trellis Mental Health & Developmental Services)**

Provides supports for children and adults with developmental disabilities and children with physical disabilities who live at home with their families.

SSAH is designed to provide supports beyond those normally provided by the family and is funded on an annual basis.

Address: 147 Delhi St.
Guelph, ON. N1E 4J3
Phone: (519) 821-2060
Website: www.trellis.on.ca
Fax: (519) 821-6139

**Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116**

Waterloo-Wellington Autism Services (WWAS)

Offers small grants to help individuals 18 years & over with autism/pervasive developmental disorder (PDD), whose homes are in Waterloo Region or Wellington County.

Address: 125 Union St E., Waterloo, ON
Phone Answering machine: (519)742-1414
Fax: (519) 576-5816
E-Mail: rm.hollingsworth@rogers.com

Welcome In Drop-in Centre

Provides a place where people can obtain low cost healthy meals as well as getting support and friendship.

Also acts as a liaison between those needing help and social services. The Drop in Centre can also help find you emergency shelter.

Address: 20 Wyndham Street N.
Guelph, ON N1H 4E5
Phone: (519) 837-0080
Website:
www.ibvm.ca/works/justice/welcome-drop-in





Health

Applied Behavioural Analysis (ABA)

On-line registry of Applied Behavioural Analysis providers.

Website: www.abacuslist.ca

Bartimaeus Inc. (Private)

Provides behavioural, emotional and programming support for children and adolescents who have experienced difficulties at home, in the community, in school, and in hospitals.

Fees apply.

Address: 392 John St., Suite 300
Burlington, ON. L7R 2K4

Phone: (905) 467-9492

Website: www.bartimaeus.com

Berge Hearing Clinic

Provides the following services for individuals with hearing loss: impaired hearing or learning disabilities hearing assessment (audiological services), hearing aid prescriptions, infant/toddler hearing checks, ear cleaning.

Fees may apply.

Address: 409 Woolwich St.
Guelph, ON. N1H 3X2

Phone: (519) 780-1333

Fax: (519) 780-2513

E-Mail: bberge@pco.edu

Central West Specialized Developmental Services

Dual Diagnosis Service provides consultation, comprehensive assessment, treatment planning/Interpretation, On-site Support/Follow-up, Mentoring, Education/Training.

Ages 16 yrs or older with a developmental disability and mental health issues.

Address: 53 Bond Street
Oakville, ON. L6K 1L8

Phone: (905) 844-7864

**Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116**



Child and Parent Resource Institute (CPRI)

A provincially operated facility offering a range of highly specialized, interdisciplinary consultation, treatment, research and education services to children and youth with complex developmental challenges, and their families. Ages 0 to 18 years.

Services may be community and/or residential based (during residential stay children/youth attend academic programs which may be on or off site).

Address: 600 Sanatorium Rd.
London, ON. N6H 3W7
Phone: (519) 858-2774
Fax: (519) 858-3913

**Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116**

Community Care Access Centre

Authorizes health services for children with special needs in schools.
Provides a simplified point of access to visiting health and personal support services in people's homes.

Address: 450 Speedvale Ave W., Suite 201
Guelph, ON. N1H 7G7
Phone: (519) 823-2550
Toll free phone: 1-800-265-8338
Fax: (519) 823-8682
Website: www.wdccac-ont.ca

**Referral via AIR if not in school
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116**

Erinoak

Goal is to enhance supports available to school boards in the provision of educational services to students with ASD. Program components: Planning consultation; Training; Resource development and distribution.

Provides screening for Intensive Behaviour Intervention.

Address: 2277 South Millway
Mississauga, ON. L5L 2M5
Telephone: (905) 820-7111
Toll free number: 1-800-296-5554
TTY: (905) 820-7004
Fax: (905) 820-1333
Website: www.erinoak.org



Healthy Babies Healthy Children

Gives all families in Ontario the information & support they need to give their children a healthy start in life.

Provides more intensive services & supports for families with children who may need special assistance to reach their full potential.

Address: Various locations throughout Wellington. Main office is:
474 Wellington Rd. #18, Suite 100
RR1 Fergus, ON. N1M 2W3

Phone: 1-800-265-7293

Website: www.wdghu.org

H.L.O Health Services Inc (Private)

In-home health and support services. H.L.O. has a full range of health and support personnel to ensure individuals attain optimal levels of health and maintain well being. Support is provided to seniors, children, caregivers, individuals who have physical or developmental challenges or palliative needs.

Fees Apply.

Address: 65 Speedvale
Guelph, ON. N1H 1J7

Phone: (519) 823-2784

Toll Free Phone: 1-888-276-7887

After Hours Phone: (519) 823-2784

Fax: (519) 763-8136

Website: www.hlo.ca

**Infant Development
(Trellis Mental Health & Developmental Services)**

For children (birth to five years of age) who have a developmental disability or who are born prematurely and/or are at risk of delay in any area of development.

Address: 176 Wyndham St.
Guelph, ON. N1H 8N9

Phone: (519) 824-5544

Website: www.trellis.on.ca

KidsAbility

Provides therapy services for children 0-18 yrs with developmental delays or physical disabilities.

Services include physiotherapy, occupational therapy, social work, therapeutic recreation and intensive behavioral intervention.

Offers school aged programming such as cooking classes, yoga, creative dance, etc. Ages vary depending on program.

Address: 21 Imperial Rd S.
(West End Recreation Centre)
Guelph, ON. N1K 1X3

Phone: (519) 780-0186

Fax: (519) 780-0470

Website: www.kidsability.ca

Referral can be made via AIR (519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116) for those with a diagnosis of a developmental disability.



kidsLINK

Specialized care and treatment for children, youth, and their families to overcome social, emotional and behavioural challenges that negatively impact on mental well-being, learning and the development of one's full potential.

Address: 1855 Notre Dame Dr.
St Agatha, ON. N0B 2L0

Phone: (519) 746-5437

Fax: (519) 746-3055

Email: kidslink@ndsa.on.ca

Website: www.kidslink.ndsa.on.ca

Ontario Early Years Centres

Places where parents and caregivers can:

Take part with their children in a range of programs and activities

Get answers to questions

Get information about programs and services that are available for young children

Talk to Early Years professionals, as well as other parents and caregivers in the community.

Locations:

Community Resource Centre
160 St.David Street South
Fergus, ON. N1M 2L3

Phone: (519) 843-7000

Guelph Community Health Centre
176 Wyndham St N.

Guelph, ON. N1H 8N9

Phone: (519) 821-5363

Community Resource Centre
60 Elora Street South
Harriston, ON. N0G 1Z0

Phone: (519) 338-2297

Website: www.ontarioearlyyears.ca

**Speech & Language Development:
Wee Talk**

Offers speech & language support to the families of preschool children.

Address: 600 Southgate Road
Guelph, ON. N1G 4P6

Phone: (519) 519-846-2715 or
1-800-265-7293 Ext. 4676

Fax: (519) 836-7215

Website: www.weetalk.net

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Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health

Provides a variety of prenatal and parent-child support programs for expectant parents, families, and caregivers of children 0-6 years old.

Offers clinics, classes, and courses for a wide range of people, including parents/parents-to-be, teenagers, and health promoters.

Sexual Health Clinics and Services: Free, confidential services provided by a public health nurse.

Address: Various locations throughout Wellington. Main office is:
474 Wellington Road #18,
Suite 100
RR#1 Fergus, ON. N1M 2W3
Phone: (519) 846-2715

Address: 500 Whites Rd.
Palmerston, ON. N0G 2P0
Phone: 1-800-265-7293

Website: www.wdghu.org

Phone: (519) 846-2715 ext. 4677





Advocacy and Support

Access Information and Referral for Developmental Services

Access Information & Referral (AIR) is the central point of access for Developmental Services in Wellington.

AIR provides information and referrals for people of any age diagnosed with a developmental disability or autism spectrum disorder.

Address: 109 Surrey St. East
Guelph, ON. N1H 3P7
Phone: (519) 824-4015
Toll Free Phone: 1-877-216-1116
Fax: (519) 824-3598
E-mail: info@airwellington.ca
Website: www.airwellington.ca

ARCH

A non profit community legal clinic dedicated to defending and advancing the equality-rights of people with disabilities and assisting those individuals to understand their rights and how to enforce them.

Address: 425 Bloor St E, Suite 110
Toronto, ON. M4W 3R5
Phone: (416) 482-8255
TTY Phone: (416) 482-1254
Toll Free Phone: 1-866-482-2724
Fax: (416) 482-2981
E-Mail: archlib@lao.on.ca
Website: www.archdisabilitylaw.ca

Autism Ontario

The leading source of information and referral on autism and one of the largest collective voices representing the autism community. Members are connected through a volunteer network of Chapters throughout Ontario.

Address: 1179A King St. W., Suite 004
Toronto, ON. M6K 3C5
Phone: (416) 246-9592
Website: www.autismontario.com



Beautiful Minds

Provides education programs that focus on positive mental health and the reduction of stigma throughout a person's life.

Works with schools, social agencies and community partners to develop, promote and deliver education programs to increase knowledge and promote positive attitudes towards mental health and thus reduce stigma.

Address: 21 Surrey St. West, Suite 201
Guelph, ON. N1H 3R3

Phone: (519) 767-5614

Toll Free Phone: 1-888-439-0033

Website: www.beautifulminds.ca

Brain Injury Association of Waterloo Wellington

Provides mutual support, education, guest speakers, literature, recreation, and a newsletter to those affected by a head/brain injury.

Address: 607 King St W., Unit 5A
Kitchener, ON. N2G 1C7

Phone: (519) 579-5300

Fax: (519) 579-0118

Email: headinjuryassn@bellnet.ca

Website: www.biawww.com

Canadian Down Syndrome Society

A resource linking parents and professionals through advocacy, education and providing information.

Email: info@cdss.ca

Website: www.cdss.ca

Families for a Secure Future

Aims to:

Build a network of support by fostering and strengthening relationships locally and provincially.

Develop and put into action plans for living a more meaningful life.

Build leadership capacity through education and mentoring.

Locate financial and social resources for individuals and family groups.

Address: Joanna Goode
28 Delerín Cres.,
Erin, ON. N0B 1T0

Phone: (519) 833-8539

Email: jgoode@sympatico.ca

Website: www.familiesforasecurefuture.com



Family Counselling and Support Services Guelph Wellington

Case Management:

A service for individuals with a developmental disability or autism spectrum disorder.

Helps you negotiate the developmental services system, providing advocacy and information about your rights within the system.

No fee.

Individual, Couple and Family Therapy:

Offers individual, couple, and family therapy for people experiencing personal and relationship difficulties.

Fees covered through EAP or based on a sliding scale.

Credit Counselling:

A program for people experiencing financial difficulties and for those wanting to learn more about money management.

Fees covered through EAP or based on a sliding scale.

Address: 109 Surrey St E.
Guelph, ON. N1H 3P7

Phone: (519) 824-2431

Toll Free Phone: 1-800-307-7078

Fax: (519) 824-3598

Email: info@familyserviceguelph.on.ca

Website:

www.familyserviceguelph.on.ca

Referral via AIR for Case Management
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116

Guelph Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Parent/Caregiver Support Group

Group for any parent or guardian who is supporting a child with fetal alcohol syndrome /effects

Address: Guelph Co-operators Building
McDonnell St, Guelph

Phone: (519) 822-2476

Guelph Services for Persons with Disabilities

Promotes the independence, inclusion, participation and personal choice of adults with physical disabilities in our community through the provision of responsive services and supports (e.g. supportive housing, attendant services, employment etc.)

Address: 238 Willow Rd.

Guelph, ON. N1H 8H1

Phone: 519 836-1812

Fax: (519) 836-7918

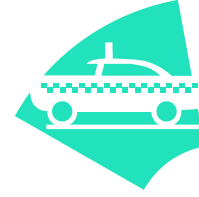
Email: info@gspd.org

Website: www.gspd.org



<p>Keeping Involved in Down Syndrome Parent Support Group.</p>	<p>Phone: Leslie Quirk (519) 826-9766</p>
<p>Kerry's Place Outreach supports for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder & their families in Wellington County. Services provided to both children & adults.</p>	<p>Address: Orchard Park Office Centre 5420 Hwy 6 North, RR 5, Suite 124 Guelph, ON. N1H 6J2 Phone: (519) 763-5812 Fax: (519) 763-5812 E-Mail: jtimmins@kerrysplace.org Website: www.kerrysplace.org</p> <p>Referral via Access Information & Referral 519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116</p>
<p>Neighbourhood Groups Various programs via neighbourhood groups throughout Guelph.</p>	<p>Phone: Janette Loveys Smith (519) 837-5618 ext.2675 Website: www.guelph.ca/living.cfm?SubCatId=1243</p>
<p>Ontario Adult Autism Research and Support Network Its mission is to help adults with autism make choices about their lives to live more fulfilling, happier and productive lives.</p> <p>Newsletter.</p>	<p>Address: 16 Caribou Cres. Guelph, ON N1E 1C9 Phone: (519) 821-7424 E-Mail: ebloomfi@uoquelp.ca Website: www.ont-autism.uoquelp.ca</p>
<p>Wellington Dufferin Self Help Alliance Mental health wellness support, Peer Support Group for individuals who are coping with mental health issues. Members helping members through a self help philosophy. Drop in visits are welcome. Members discuss resources, community contacts, advocacy and their personal struggles.</p>	<p>Address 24 Douglas St. Guelph, ON N1H 2S9 Phone: (519) 763-4014 Fax: (519) 763-1588 Email: guelph@peersupport.ca</p> <p>Address: EWAG Building 45 Main St Erin, ON N0B 1T0 Phone: (519) 833-2932 Website: www.peersupport.ca</p>





Transportation

Guelph Transit and Mobility Services

Provides public transportation in the City of Guelph as well as door to door mobility services for persons unable to use public transit.

Free travel for the blind (guide dogs permitted on the bus, otherwise no pets allowed unless in carriers).

Fee subsidy program.

Address: Guelph Transit
170 Watson Rd. S.
Guelph, ON. N1L 1C1

Phone: (519) 822-1811

TTY Phone: (519) 837-5731

Fax: (519) 822-1322

E-Mail: transit@guelph.ca

Website: www.guelph.ca/transit

Neighbourlink Centre Wellington

Linking clients looking for help to volunteers who will assist with duties such as: snow removal, gardening, household chores, transportation to medical appointments tutoring and special needs care group for certain needs. This service is offered for Fergus, Elora, Guelph and surrounding area residents.

Mailing Address: PO Box 1636
Elora, ON. N0B 1S0

Phone: (519) 846-8468

Website:

www.worldvision.ca/Neighbourlink/NeighbourLink-Affiliates/Pages/Ontario-Centre-Wellington.aspx

Victorian Order of Nurses

Provides volunteer drivers for seniors and adults with disabilities for essential tasks of daily living. Rides should be arranged 48 hours in advance.

Address: 6790 Century Ave., Suite 203
Mississauga, ON. L5N 2V8

Toll free phone: 1-888-506-6353

Fax: (905) 821-8256

Website: www.von.ca/branch/on_peel/areas.html
www.von.ca/programs_support_02.html





Respite



Belwood Country Retreat (Private)

Operates 5 bedroom home with air conditioning available for adults with special needs. This retreat house is available for weekend(s) and week long stays throughout the year.

Fully supervised by trained counsellors who encourage activities and trips during an individual's stay including animal care, cooking, crafts, snow shoeing and walks through nature trails.

Fees apply.

Address: 7042 Second Line, RR3
Arthur, ON. N0G 1A0

Phone: (519) 843-1211

Fax: (519) 843-8398

E-Mail: cmurdoch@sentex.net

Website: www.belwoodlodgeandcamp.ca

Belwood Lodge and Camp (Private)

Operates residential camp (1 and 3 week sessions) for people who have developmental disabilities, 7 years and over. Located on the shores of Lake Belwood. Activities include boating, swimming, nature study, arts and crafts, trampoline, archery, hiking, drama, music and paddleboats.

Fees apply.

Address: RR1

Belwood, ON. N0B 1J0

Phone: (519) 843-1211

Fax: (519) 843-8398

E-Mail: cmurdoch@sentex.net

Website: www.belwoodlodgeandcamp.ca

Blooming Acres (Private)

Respite and retreats offer relaxing, educational and therapeutic weekday, weekend, and school holiday respite and retreats.

Fees apply.

Address: 1208 Line 5 North., RR1

Oro Station, ON. L0L 2E0

Phone: (705) 487-3076

Website: www.bloomingacres.com/Respite-Retreats.php



**Christian Horizons
Family Home Program**

Respite is offered for children and adults in a family setting in the community, monitored by Christian Horizons' staff. A matching process between and individual is completed. Nominal fee.

Camps, retreats and chaperoned vacations are also offered. Fees apply.

Address: Suite 138, Orchard Park Office
Centre. 5420 Hwy 6, North, RR5
Guelph, ON. N1H 6J2

Phone: (519) 821-2210

Fax: (519) 821-0321

Website: www.christian-horizons.org

**Referral via Access Information & Referral
for Respite**
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116

Community Living Guelph Wellington

Respite is available on weekends to people who have an intellectual disability who are 18 years of age or older and live at home with their aging parents. This service is located in Guelph and Wellington County.

Nominal Fee.

Address: 87 Silvercreek Pkwy N
Guelph, ON. N1H 6S4

Phone: (519) 824-2480

Fax: (519) 821-6174

E-Mail: gwacl@gwacl.on.ca

Website: www.gwacl.on.ca

Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116

The Darling Home for Kids

Provides paediatric hospice care and respite services to families within communities in Ontario, who have children with life-limiting or life-threatening illness requiring complex and/or technology-dependent care.

Nominal Fee.

Address: 5657 15th Side Road
Milton, ON. L9T 2X7

Phone: 1-877-406-7673

Fax: (905) 878-9886

E-mail: deb@darlinghomeforkids.ca

Website: www.darlinghomeforkids.ca

Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116

**Hopewell Children's Homes
Medically Fragile**

Located in the Ariss countryside, Hopewell Home includes a children's and adults' wing for developmentally challenged individuals who are medically fragile.

Nominal Fee.

Address: 5651 Wellington Rd 86
Ariss, ON. N0B 1B0

Phone: (519) 836-9641

Fax: (519) 836-8830

E-mail: info@hopewellchildrenshomes.ca

Website: www.hopewellchildrenshomes.ca

Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116



Hopewell Children's Homes

Stephanie Home

A respite home for youth aged 6-19 with behavioural and emotional challenges due to developmental disabilities. Located in a Guelph neighbourhood, Stephanie Home provides respite care 24-7 to families in Wellington County.

Nominal Fee.

Address: 279 Stephanie Dr.
Guelph, ON. N1K 1P3

Phone: (519) 780-2437

Fax: (519) 780-2595

E-Mail:

stephaniehome@hopewellchildrenshomes.ca

Website: www.hopewellchildrenshomes.ca

**Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116**

Kids Country Club

Weekday and weekend Respite care for children (0 – 18 yrs) who are medically fragile and/or technologically dependent.

Address: 335 Guelph Avenue
Cambridge, ON. N3C 2V3

Phone: (519) 651-2875

Toll Free: 1-866-233-6966

Fax: (519) 651-0217

Email: cambridge@ptdc.on.ca

Website: www.ptdc.on.ca

**Referral via Access Information & Referral
519-824-4015 or 1-877-216-1116**

Leaps and Bounds (Private)

In home respite services available for families of persons with special needs.

Respite options available for evenings, weekends and continuous care for extended periods of time.

Fees apply.

Address: 11181 Yonge St., Unit 317
Richmond Hill, ON. L4S 1L2

Phone: (905) 727-2273

Fax: (905) 727-2241

Website: www.leapsandboundsservices.com

respiteservices.com

A database of workers interested in supporting people of any age with developmental disabilities including autism. Children with physical disabilities may also access this website.

Families can search workers' classified ads or post their own.

Respite programs are also listed.

www.respiteservices.com



Websites

Access Information & Referral (AIR)	www.airwellington.ca
Action Read	www.actionread.com
ARC Industries	www.gwacl.on.ca
Autism Ontario	www.autismontario.ca
Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA)	www.cmha.ca
Child Parent Resource Institute (CPRI)	www.cpri.ca
Christian Horizons	www.christian-horizons.org
City of Guelph	www.city.guelph.on.ca
CNIB	www.cnib.ca
Community Care Access Centre (CCAC)	www.ccac-ont.ca
Community Links	www.communitylinks.ca
Community Living Guelph Wellington	www.gwacl.on.ca
Community Resource Centre	www.communityresourcecentre.org
County of Wellington	www.county.wellington.on.ca
Distress Centre	www.dc-wd.org
Easter Seal Society	www.easterseals.org
Erinoak	www.erinoak.org
Family and Children's Services	www.fcsquelphwellington.org
Family Counselling and Support Services	www.familyserviceguelph.on.ca
Geneva Centre for Autism	www.autism.net
Groves Memorial Hospital	www.gmch.ca
Guelph Services for the Physically Disabled	www.gspd.org
Homewood Health Centre	www.homewoodhealth.com
KidsAbility	www.kidsability.ca
kidsLink	www.kidslink.ndsa.on.ca
Ministry of Community and Social Services	www.mcscs.gov.on.ca
Ontario Early Years Centre	www.ontarioearlyyears.ca
Ontario March of Dimes	www.marchofdimes.ca
Rainbow Programs for Children	www.rainbowdaycamp.com
Second Chance Employment Counselling	www.2ndchance.on.ca
Special Olympics	www.specialolympics.ca
Sunrise Therapeutic Riding & Learning Centre	www.sunrise-therapeutic.ca
Therapy Partners	www.therapypartners.on.ca
Tele Health Ontario	www.health.gov.on.ca
Trellis Mental Health & Developmental Services	www.trellis.on.ca
Upper Grand District School Board	www.ugdsb.on.ca
Waterloo Region Track 3 Ski School	www.waterlootrack3.com
Wellington Catholic School Board	www.wellingtoncssb.edu.on.ca
Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health Unit	www.wdghu.org
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