

ALTERNATIVES COMMUNITY PROGRAM SERVICES

“Building Community for Belonging, Acceptance and Growth”

FEATURED STORY

Frankie is in his final year at Kenner Collegiate in Peterborough. Throughout high school Frankie has been involved in our Building Bridges Program. He attended the Building Bridges—Neuro Development Camp during the summer of 2016. In March of 2018 Frankie joined our Advanced Skills Program where he received a cooking course certificate.

Frankie is now committed to his other goals which are to learn the city bus routes, improve his social skills and budget his money.

Frankie also became involved in D.R.O.P. (Daily Recreational Options Program) where he has met many new friends exclaiming, “Cedar Park was my favorite trip with DROP because that was such a great day!”

For the past 2 summers, Frankie attended ‘Rez Life’, a program where like-minded students spend the week experiencing Residential Life in an on-campus apartment at Fleming. He said, “I have nothing but fabulous things to say about this program, what’s not to love when you can live on your own for the week, meet new people and do cool things.”

What’s next for Frankie? Special Olympics is a keen interest for Frankie right now and his hope is to get on the basketball team. For the future Frankie is planning to apply to post secondary school to continue his education. His sights are set on C.I.C.E. (Community Integration through Cooperative Education), a certificate program at Fleming.



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Alternatives Community Program Services (Peterborough) Inc. is a not-for-profit, charitable organization governed by a committed volunteer Board of Directors.

Alternatives strives to inspire and excite people of all abilities to enrich their skills, celebrate life and have fun with families, friends and neighbours by;

- ⇒ Fostering real friendships
- ⇒ Valuing personal and informed choices
- ⇒ Honouring personal worth and citizenship
- ⇒ Promoting life-long learning
- ⇒ Respecting personal safety and security
- ⇒ Enjoying healthy and active lifestyles

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OUR NEW HOME

For over 30 years **Alternatives Community Program Services** has been passionate about improving the quality of life for people living with developmental challenges, now supporting about 250 individuals and their families annually. Our gifted and energetic employees provide opportunities for experiences and participation in the areas of employment, volunteerism, recreation and learning new skills while fostering a sense of 'community and belonging' for people of differing abilities.

Programs and services are being moved over to our new location at 270 Braidwood Avenue. Restoration will continue in the Chapel/Community space through the early part of October. We want to thank everyone for your patience and flexibility during this move.

Plans are being put together for an Open House in the very near future and we welcome visitors anytime, if you'd like a personal tour.



Fundraising has continued in earnest with the Behind Closed Doors event on September 21st and our upcoming Bowlathon on October 25th, 2019...

...or join our growing list of amazing donors. For just \$100 your name will be engraved on a 'leaf' and added to our Donors 'Giving Tree'. Be part of something great, be a good neighbour and be proud that you BELONG.

With my heartfelt thanks,
Vikki Etchells
Executive Director



Acceptance Builds Community.....

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