

2008/2009 Annual Campaign

“I Too Have A Dream”

Would you personally like to make a difference in the lives of people in our community with an intellectual disability? As Chair of the Simcoe Community Services Foundation, we urge you to make a gift to our 2008 Campaign entitled “I Too Have A Dream”.

Limited government funding is simply not enough to meet the needs of so many deserving individuals and families. Your contribution will increase the quality of life of many people through the purchase of specialized therapy equipment, recreational opportunities, camp programs as well as training and supports for families.

To support this large constituency of individuals and families, we have set our 2008 Campaign target at \$100,000. Our stated goal is to help the recipients to become more valued and vital members of our community and to assist them in reaching their personal goals.

Please help us to support these important members of our community. A “List of Dreams” for people is outlined below. The latter reflects the most important equipment items and projects/activities that will truly make a difference in the lives of the people we support.

You are part of making this dream a reality. Please join with us today!

“LIST OF DREAMS”

The Foundation has heard from the staff of Simcoe Community Services as to where fundraising revenue could be designated to make a difference in the lives of people that we support. We would truly appreciate your support by making a gift to the Campaign for any of the following:

Equipment:

- Wheelchair Swing so that people in chairs can “swing to their hearts content” - \$2,500
- Track Lifts to assist an individual to safely move around program activities - \$12,500
- Treatment Table and Easy Stand to provide an opportunity for people to stretch, flex their muscles and stand with support - \$10,000
- Virtual Reality Videos to help people practice new skills - \$2,500

Innovative Projects:

- Develop “Feel Good, Look Great” Course for 32 people to prepare for work - \$7,200
- Create a Co-operative Model for an employee owned business - \$10,000
- Establish a Resource Center for information about specialized equipment and assistive devices - \$8,000

Recreation and Active Living Activities:

- Swimming, Golfing, Curling, Canoeing, Bocce Ball Fees for 50 people - \$17,000
- Special Interest Courses and Memberships in Community Groups for 60 people - \$9,000

Training and Supports to Families for Children and Youth:

- Parenting Workshops for 50 families to discuss useful strategies - \$8,700
- “School is Kool” for 16 children to get ready for school - \$35,500

Campership Fund:

- Subsidy for children needing specialized supports to attend summer camp - \$6,000

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