

A Success Story



Vivian is a single mother of a young daughter and two older children who made her an early grandmother. A recent separation and the death of her mother caused Vivian to experience depression, finance and health issues. The family had many agencies involved because parenting capacity was being impacted. Our initial Neighbourhood Centre connections were brief and defined by the despair she felt. We encouraged her involvement through her daughter's enrolment in after

school programs but attendance was inconsistent. After years of support, her daughter began attending programs regularly at the Centre. A placement at the Centre as a receptionist became a positive, life-changing opportunity for Vivian. A community-based employment readiness opportunity was offered and Vivian enrolled. The opportunity also included an administrative placement. Later, Vivian responded to a call for applications for Board of Director's membership at the Centre and was voted in as a member. Vivian applied and was accepted to Conestoga College for a fully funded IT program through the Women's Directorate. She is now excelling in the program!

Preston Heights Community Group

List of Programs and Partners

Building Community Capacity

Greenway Chaplin
Community Centre
www.greenwaychaplin.org

Community Development Programs

Kinbridge Community
Association
www.kinbridge.ca

Preston Heights
Community Group
www.prestonheights.ca

Personal Counselling

Family Counselling Centre
of Cambridge & North
Dumfries
www.fccnd.com

Greenway Chaplin
Community Centre
www.greenwaychaplin.org

Kinbridge Community
Association
www.kinbridge.ca

Volunteer Programs

Preston Heights
Community Group
www.prestonheights.ca

Fiddlesticks Community
Centre
www.fiddlesticks.ca

Kinbridge Community
Association
www.kinbridge.ca

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LIVE UNITED. 

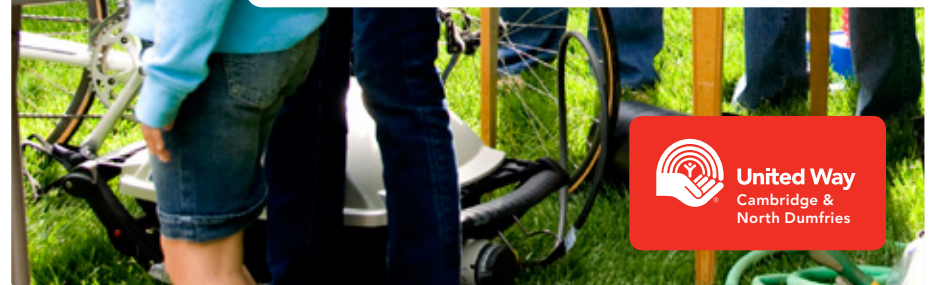
WWW.UWCAMBRIDGE.ON.CA

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Neighbourhoods are Inclusive and Thriving



Neighbourhoods are more than places where we live. They are about proximity to jobs, community resources, and connections between neighbours. They are the places where the people of a community develop friendships, discuss issues, and interact with one-another. The capacity for neighbourhoods to care for their members is immense.



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THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY



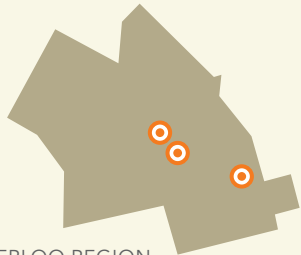
TOGETHER WE ARE MAKING A CHANGE



It is important for neighbourhoods to be places where people know their neighbours, people can access supports and services, and people have the local ability to solve problems. Neighbourhoods in our community vary greatly in the tools at their disposal, and in their characteristics.

United Way and its partners are responding to the needs of our community. We're working together to make sure that neighbourhoods have strong supports and services, and to help community members working together to improve neighbourhoods quality of life. We support programs that help:

COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES ARE CONCENTRATED IN URBAN CORE OF THE REGION



WATERLOO REGION

NEIGHBOURHOODS WITH CHANGES IN FAMILY SIZES, POPULATION MAKE-UP & GROWTH MAY BENEFIT FROM HIGHER LEVELS OF SUPPORT



Neighbourhood Centres are partnering to decentralize services that address local needs.

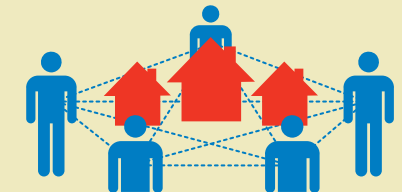
WE'VE BROUGHT PERSONAL COUNSELLING PROGRAMS INTO NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRES TO OFFER SUPPORT CLOSE TO HOME



FAMILY COUNSELLING CENTRE OF CAMBRIDGE & NORTH DUMFRIES, GREENWAY CHAPLIN COMMUNITY CENTRE, KINBRIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Neighbourhoods have strong neighbourhood community development organizations.

INCREASED COLLABORATIVE WORK THROUGH 2010 BROUGHT GREATER SUPPORT TO NEIGHBOURHOOD RESIDENTS



KINBRIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

NEIGHBOURHOODS IN WATERLOO REGION VARY GREATLY IN DEMOGRAPHIC & ECONOMIC SECURITY



WATERLOO REGION

Neighbourhood Centres are Connecting residents to work together.

75% OF BOARD MEMBERS LEARNED HOW TO OPERATE THEIR CENTRE TO BENEFIT THEIR NEIGHBOURHOOD



GREENWAY CHAPLIN COMMUNITY CENTRE