

It Takes a Village

“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.” Hebrews 11:1

February 2008/March 2008

Services in Dufferin-Peel

Brampton Caledon Community Living	905 453 8841
Caledon Community Services	905 951 2300
Community Living Dufferin	519 941 8971
Community Living Mississauga	905 542 2694
Community Care Access Centre	905 796 0040
Down Syndrome Association	416 966 0990
Erinoak Kids	905 820 7111
Family Services of Peel-Intake	905 453 5775
Geneva Centre for Autism	416 322 7877
Kerry's Place Autism Services	905 457 1130
Mary Centre	416 630 5533
Ontario Disability Support Programs	905 897 3100
Peel Case Management	905 799 7700
Peel Crisis Capacity Network	905 542 2694
Special Olympics	1 888 333 5515
Support & Trustee Advisory Services	
Brampton	905 453 8841 ext. 548
Mississauga	905 542 2694 ext. 2312

Summer Camps

The weather is still cold, but summer is just around the corner! Start making choices for summer camps and summer respite by attending:

Summer Camp and Respite Resources

Brampton Caledon Community Living's Respite Services Department is offering a free workshop with Reach for the Rainbow, Brampton Parks and Recreation, respiteservices.com and more!

Date: Wednesday, February 27

Time: 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

Location: **Brampton Caledon Community Living**
19 Rutherford Rd. South,
Brampton

To register, please call 905-453-8841

**Even if you are not a Brampton resident,
feel free to come!**

Summer Programs Fair

Meet local day camp providers and get a head start on those summer program registration forms!

Date: Wednesday, March 19

Time: 7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

Location: **Community Living Mississauga**
6715 Millcreek Drive, unit 4
Mississauga

RSVP: Mary Dillon

905-542-2694 ext. 2242 or maryd@clmiss.ca

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Get Social!

Brampton Caledon Community Living

Check out VIBE

Vibe is a drop in program held on the last Friday of every month for individuals aged 14-21. For more information call:
905-453-8841
Claudia ext.552 or
Jason ext.529

Community Living Dufferin

HAIRSPRAY

The drama group will be presenting their version of HAIRSPRAY on Thursday March 27 at the Orangeville Town Hall Opera House. For tickets call Angela McDonald @ 519-941-8971

Community Living Mississauga

Softball League

Look for your application in the mail mid-March for people over the age of 13.

Season runs May-August cost about \$50.00 includes rental of field, trophies, tournament and BBQ!

Tax Time is Around the Corner...

Income Tax

Do you know what the Disability Tax Credit is and how to claim it?

Do you qualify to claim child care or medical/Attendant care credits?

Attend a Family Information Session

Guest Speaker: Sue Dingwall, Tax Wise

Date: Wednesday, February 6

Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Place: Community Living Mississauga

6715 Millcreek Drive, unit 4

RSVP: Shanta Maharajh

905-542-2694 ext. 2223 OR shantam@clmiss.ca



Wills & Estates

This is an opportunity to learn how to establish a specialized will that ensures your son/daughter's future is as secure as possible.

Bonnie Yagar, Pallett Valo, LLP; David Killins, Support & Trustee Advisory Services

Date: Wednesday, February 20

Time: 7:00 p.m.– 9:00 p.m.

Place: Community Living Mississauga

6715 Millcreek Drive, unit 4

RSVP: Shanta Maharajh

905-542-2694 ext. 2223 OR shantam@clmiss.ca

For more information about Tax benefits, Credits, Deductions and Rebate Information look in Connections: A guide to transition planning for parents of children with a developmental disability. You can download a copy at www.cdrcp.com/transition.html Pages 105-109

Brampton Caledon Community Living

BCCL is hosting an information session on IEPs, IPRC and other educational processes. Ann Smith, Special Education Advisory Committee (PDSB) Representative will also be available to answer questions regarding your child's educational experience in Peel.

To register call Karla Hough at 905-453-8841 ext. 264

Date: Tuesday, March 25

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

Place: 61 George St. Brampton

Kerry's Place Autism Services March Break Kidz Kamp

Kerry's Place is offering a day camp experience for children and youth in Mississauga and Brampton between the ages of 6-18. Dates of the camp are March 10-14, 2008

Activities include art, music, sports and games... make new friends and have some fun!

Children who require 1:1 support at all times or require assistance using the washroom independently are required to have their own support worker. Kerry's Place can assist with that; please make note of that when you sign-up.

Families are to provide allergy friendly lunches and Kerry's Place

will provide snacks. Transportation needs to be provided to and from camp. Cost is \$200.00 per child.

Spaces are limited!

For more information call Melanie Vaartjes @ 905-855-4984 ext. 200

Child Development Resource Connection Peel

Do you need information on Community Services, Peel Respite Services, Transition Planning, Information Nights?

Read below for more info!

Coordinated Information Peel (CIP) is an information and referral service for families. Service is available through the information phone lines and on their website;

www.cdrcp.com

Services are for children, youth and adults and information is available on services related to dual diagnosis, autism, mental health, child protection, behaviour management, infant development, child development, respite and special needs.

The website includes information on funding, developmental disabilities, and related agencies and support groups. A calendar of training and events is geared to special needs. Check out the CRDCP website; this is a free service!

Info lines Peel: 905 890-9432

Caledon: 1 888 836-5550

Interpretive Services Available

Towards Transition

Here are some categories to consider for a full post secondary life;

- ⇒ Employment
- ⇒ Volunteerism
- ⇒ Independent Living
- ⇒ Transportation
- ⇒ Leisure Activities

- ⇒ Staying Healthy
- ⇒ Education/Training
- ⇒ Interest Courses
- ⇒ Financial Needs
- ⇒ Social Relationships
- ⇒ Self-Advocacy

Start the discussion in your family!

*How will you fill
your day?*

Consider these steps to independence...

At Home;

Encourage your young adult to make their own lunch. Strapped for time? Have them make it the night before. Even making choices



about what snacks to bring is a good start!

In the Community;

Take your young adult grocery shop-

ping and give them specific items to find. Non-readers will benefit from pictures in the flyers. Keep the pictures for future grocery lists!

Go Surf'n

Useful Websites:

www.cdrcp.com

www.pathwaysineducationpeel.com

www.respiteservices.com

Get started on Transition Planning:

Creating a Good life in Community: A Guide on Person-Directed Planning

Detailed Version:

www.individualizedfunding.ca/Guide%20on%20Person-directed%20Planning.pdf

Plain language Version:

www.individualizedfunding.ca/Guide%20on%20Person-directed%20Planning,%20Plain%20Language.pdf

Mark these dates in your calendars:

February 1—Start of Second Semester

February 18—Family Day

March 10-14—March Break

March 21—Good Friday

March 24—Easter Monday

