



SHELLDALE FAMILY GATEWAY



Annual Report 2020 - 2021

Executive Director's Report to the Community

Once again, this past year proved to be challenging and rewarding all at the same time. Experiencing more shutdowns, but also providing excellent virtual service to the Community was the name of the game for 2020-2021.

Staff for both EarlyON and Youth and Community absolutely hit it out of the ballpark when it came to providing for the Onward Willow Community. When we were able to, we managed to have families come into the Centre for EarlyON, and had Afterschool programs for children, youth & teens. However, we also had so much time spent in lockdown again! Both of our teams provided telephone, text, and computer visits with community members when they needed support the most. The staff at Shelldale Family Gateway excel in service provision, and I am so proud of each and every staff member. Thanks to all of you for your excellent work. Here's hoping 2021-2022 brings us more in-person fun!

This year, the Board of Directors has been putting a lot of work into policies and fundraising. With both new and current members, the Board has provided guidance and governance to ensure Shelldale Family Gateway is meeting all its responsibilities and obligations. And of course, there's the fundraising aspect as well! Thanks to the stellar leadership of Fundraising Chair Sharron Riley-Persson and the amazing efforts of the Fundraising Committee, we were still able to have our Winter Warm Up and raise over \$7,000!

Your Board members for 2020-2021 are:

Chair - Dana Nuttley

Vice Chair – Kelly Slessor

Treasurer – Grant Ward

Directors:

Ed Burchell

Andy Chea

Kyle Grant

Heena Mistry

Sharron Riley-Persson

Premila Sathasivam

Brian Smith

Colin Thurston

Michele Richardson

This year we are saying a special thank you and farewell to Ed Burchell, Brian Smith, Grant Ward, Heena Mistry and Dana Nuttley who are all stepping down as of the AGM. Shelldale Family Gateway owes a huge vote of thanks and gratitude for their hard work and dedication to the families of Onward Willow.

You'll see throughout this Report just how much Shelldale Family Gateway means to the Community of Onward Willow. From Breakfast Club to Teen nights, from Baby Massage to Learning how to Parent a Toddler, SFG provides programs and so much more! We are so proud to be a hub of fun, learning and a safe place for Community members to come and be themselves in a great environment.

Sincerely,

Diana Boal

2020-2021 Volunteers of the Year

Community Volunteer of the Year Award – Dan Barendregt and Jason Ashdown

We are thrilled to announce our two Community Volunteers of the Year!



The first is last year's winner of the Charlie Whittaker Award for Lifetime Achievements, **Dan Barendregt**. Dan continues to amaze us with his dedication to Shelldale Family Gateway's Breakfast Club. Every Monday and Friday, you will find this hard-working 84-year-old in the Shelldale kitchen, whipping up a healthy breakfast with Margie Shaver. Not only does Daniel help with Breakfast Club two days per week, but he also makes time to cook up some special extra treats, like banana bread or zucchini bread. And everything Dan makes is delicious! Thank you, Dan, for your outstanding contribution.

Shelldale Family Gateway's second **Community Volunteer of the Year** is **Jason Ashdown** of the Skyline Group. Jason had been a solidly contributing Board member for several years, before he stepped down last year. Not only did Jason organize the Skyline Team to work hard at Winter Warm Up events (when we had them in person!), he took on a number of personal projects to help Shelldale Family Gateway through fundraising and other endeavors. We are so grateful to Jason for all his hard work on behalf of SFG.



Corporate Volunteer of the Year – SR-P Creations



This year we have a brand-new corporate partner who has generously contributed so much to the Shelldale Family Gateway fundraising campaigns. SR-P Creations, owned and operated by Board member Sharron Riley-Persson is single-handedly responsible for ALL the fabulous dinners we sold for this year's Winter Warm Up – St. Patrick's Day Style. Sharron cooked and put together **85 meals**, which brought in over \$2,000. SR-P Creations also sponsored several of our Silent Auction items, and Sharron worked tirelessly to raise funds for SFG. We can state categorically that our fundraising success this year is due in large part to SR-P Creations.

Partner Volunteer of the Year – Guelph Community Health Centre



The Guelph Community Health Centre and Shelldale Family Gateway are good partners at the Shelldale Centre. This year we chose the Guelph CHC because of the fantastic help we receive from all the staff. We would especially like to thank

Dr. Bluhm for helping out in EarlyON and Karrie Cumming for always being available to answer questions and ensure that Shelldale families are doing well. Thank you, Guelph Community Health Centre!

We asked our outgoing Board of Director, Dana Nuttley for a few words about his time as a Board member, here is what he had to say:

"When first asked to write about my experience at Shelldale Family Gateway, I really had no idea what to say. How do you describe an entire decade in one paragraph? Through triumph, tragedy, blessings, and barriers I have loved every minute of it and would like to thank you all for allowing me to be part of this amazing organization. I will forever be grateful for the journey we have taken together. Thank-you, Dana"

OUR PROGRAMS

Our programs looked a lot different in 2020-2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. While gathering restrictions were in place we pivoted to on-line programming and supports for our children, youth, and families, kept in touch with our families and supported them in any way that we could. As restrictions lifted, we followed Public Health protocol and began in-person programs.



148 unique children ages 0-6 and 107 parents participated in our EarlyON programs for a total of 1,507 visits



226 unique youth participated in our Youth Programs



We served 3,578 breakfast meals



99 Youth participated in our Summer Camp and 15 Neighbourhood Youth worked as Summer Camp staff.



175 Income Tax returns were prepared at our Volunteer Tax Clinics

65 Referrals/Community Supports

75 women attended our on-line International Women's Day celebration



Our Community Donation table was set-up 3 times a week and visited by community members for a total of 2000 visits.



We prepared and delivered 280 Discovery Kits to keep young minds and bodies active during the pandemic.

OUR SUPPORTERS

CORPORATE

Ace Rivet & Fastener Inc.
Cargill
Complete Tax & Business Services
Darmax Inc.
ECNG Energy Group
Hammond Power Solutions Inc.
Insitu Contractors
JMV Property Management
R.J. Burnside and Associates Limited
RONA Guelph
Royal Bank of Canada
Skyline
SV Law
Toyota Motor Manufacturing Canada Inc.
Wayne Filsinger & Sons

GOVERNMENT SUPPORT

City of Guelph
Employment and Social Development Canada
Ontario Ministry of Education
Ontario Trillium Foundation
The Corporation of the County of Wellington

**Thank you to everyone that supported us
this past year!**

**“When we learn together and work together as
partners, we build a stronger community.”**

COMMUNITY/PARTNER SUPPORT

Breakfast for Learning
Canadian Tire Jumpstart
Guelph Community Health Centre
Guelph Family Health Study
Guelph Salvation Army
House of Worship and Prayer Christian Centre
Lutherwood Employment Services
Rotary Club of Guelph
Rotary Club of Guelph South
Second Chance Employment Services
The Children’s Foundation of Guelph Wellington
The Guelph Community Foundation
United Way of Guelph-Wellington-Dufferin
Upper Grand District School Board
Wellington-Dufferin Guelph Public Health
Willow Road Public School
YMCA-YWCA of Guelph

IN KIND SUPPORT

<i>7-Eleven</i>	<i>Magic 106.1</i>
<i>1460 CJOY</i>	<i>McNeil Consumer Health Care</i>
<i>Azure Aqua Spa</i>	<i>Oma Fresh Foods</i>
<i>Bob MacLean Music</i>	<i>On Purpose Transformations</i>
<i>Chatelaine Lighting</i>	<i>Original Home Furniture</i>
<i>Exitus Escape Rooms</i>	<i>Robinson’s Flowers</i>
<i>For the Win Equestrian</i>	<i>Sommevents</i>
<i>Guelph Black Heritage Society</i>	<i>Speedvale Auto Detailing</i>
<i>Guelph Food Bank</i>	<i>SR-P Creations Gourmet Catering</i>
<i>Guelph Seniors Association</i>	<i>Well.ca</i>
<i>Koru Wearable Wellness</i>	<i>Wellington Brewery</i>
<i>KW Escape</i>	

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OUR MISSION

To welcome and support children, youth, and their families living in the Shelldale Family Gateway community, by providing programs, services, and leadership opportunities

OUR VISION

Working Together for a Thriving Community

OUR VALUES

Inclusivity, Diversity, Collaboration, Community Driven, Excellence, Respect