



Plainfield Community Homes

A Non-Profit, Charitable Organization

NEWS RELEASE

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PLAINFIELD COMMUNITY HOMES RECEIVES GRANT FROM THE HARRY E. FOSTER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Belleville, Ontario, December 3, 2002 - Plainfield Community Homes has been awarded a \$5,400.00 grant from the Harry E. Foster Charitable Foundation. This grant will make it possible to provide a new greenhouse for our Adult Day Programs and allow us to expand the horticultural activities we currently have underway. It is hoped that this grant will enable the horticultural program to become self-supporting through the sale of its products.

John Klassen, Executive Director of Plainfield Community Homes, says “This very generous grant gives us a wonderful opportunity to enhance our existing program and allow more individuals to participate in this very meaningful activity, while providing them with a true sense of accomplishment. This is a fine example of *people caring about people* and helping us to provide enriched learning opportunities for people with disabilities.”

Plainfield Community Homes is a non-profit, charitable organization founded in 1951 as the "Babies' Convalescent Home". It has since grown into a multi-service organization that now provides a range of supports to over 80 children and adults with complex physical and developmental disabilities. Plainfield Community Homes employs about 200 people and is funded by the Ministry of Community, Family and Children's Services. Plainfield Community Homes is committed to providing personal supports to individuals with disabilities so as to create a life style that promotes well being and encourages personal growth.

Mr. Harry “Red” Foster established The Harry E. Foster Charitable Foundation in 1954 to provide "seed monies" to organizations being formed on behalf of people with mental disabilities. He became a successful broadcaster and advertising executive. Through the years, Mr. Foster gave unstintingly of his time and talent to the cause of the mentally disabled.

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