



Murchadha House

For Those with Exceptional Needs

February 21, 2019

Town of Kingsville
2021 Division Road N
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RE: Murchadha House Fundraiser

Dear Town Council,

Murchadha House is a new charity that is dedicated to building houses in Essex County for individuals with intellectual disabilities who require support to succeed in independent living. The mission of Murchadha House for Those with Exceptional Needs is to provide non-profit residential accommodations for people with exceptional needs. Our goal is to empower individuals with disabilities and their families; support integration into the community; and provide cooperative services to support residents to maximize their full potential in life.

We are having a fundraiser (Beatles tribute band and dinner) on Friday, April 26, 2019 at the Lakeside Park Pavilion. We are requesting that you waive the rental fee for this event. The first house will be built in Cottam and we hope to start building in the spring. This project is very important and beneficial to this community.

There is a vast need in Essex County to house individuals with exceptional needs who require supported living. Housing for youth is very limited which requires them to be relocated outside of their communities until they turn 18, at which time they are returned to Essex County with no friends or community connections. Adults with exceptional needs have a limited income (most living off their Ontario Disability Support Program [ODSP]) and cannot afford to rent or own a home and employ a support worker to help with their everyday living and care. There is currently a 25 year waiting list for adults to get into an assisted living home. Murchadha House will build and maintain group homes that will give these individuals the opportunity to live and build personal relationships within their own community.

We would appreciate any assistance you can offer to get this project off the ground. For more information please visit our website www.murchadhahouse.ca and follow us on Facebook. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us. Thank you.

Sincerely



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