

# Building on the Dream

Campaign for the new Ottawa Rotary Home

## Campaign Recap - Donor Newsletter

September 2008

### A Dream Coming True

Construction of the new Ottawa Rotary Home began this June and continues to progress rapidly. A new Home for the children and adults in our community living with physical disabilities and complex medical needs is rising out of the ground. The dream that many dedicated volunteers and families have shared for so long is on its way to becoming a reality.



The Home's Executive Director, Gina St. Amour, was able to step into each room of the new Home this week. Framing is nearing completion and the last of the trusses have been lifted into place. Windows and drywall are now being installed.

Driving by the construction site on Bank Street near Leitrim Road, it is already clear how large the new Home will be and how much space visitors will have to visit with friends, play or just settle in and relax.

**Your support has made this possible and as we near the final stages of our new Home Campaign we want to thank you for your generous contributions.**

Special thanks to recent major donors The Eric Baker Family Foundation, TD Canada Trust, and BMO Bank of Montreal who have helped us reach 98% of our \$6.5 million project goal - leaving only \$139,000 to go!



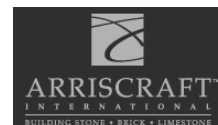
**OUR THANKS** to all of the generous support we have received from local builders, suppliers, contractors and trades people for their commitment and dedication to the success of this project.



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We also extend a very special THANK YOU to Gord Lorimer and his team at Barry J. Hobin and Associates Architects and all the hardworking Hydro Ottawa employees and I.B.E.W. Local 636 members who have donated their time and talents to this project.

# The Ottawa Rotary Home Receives United Way Community Builder Award



The respite services offered families at The Ottawa Rotary Home was recently recognized with a United Way Community Builder Award for building a stronger, healthier community. **Congratulations!**

Don Rogers, Gina St. Amour, Gordon McCay, and Patricia Boomer received the award from Karen Soloman host of 'A' Channel Morning.



## THANK YOU!

On behalf of The Ottawa Rotary Home family we would like to extend our deepest thanks to you - our donors and volunteers.

Your contribution to this project has ensured that the dream of a new Rotary Home is realized.

### A Break for Parents *and* Kids!

Caring for a dependent family member can be a rewarding, life-enriching experience. It can also at times be physically and emotionally exhausting, and highly stressful. Allowing parents some time away from their 24-hour care-giving responsibilities to recharge is essential to the health of the entire family. That's where we come in.

The Ottawa Rotary Home provides respite to parents of children and youth living with a physical disability or complex medical needs. With the opening of the new Home in January 2009 we will be able to offer these same services to the families of adults living with disabilities in the region who currently have very few respite options available to them.

Children and Youth benefit from respite too. Not only do they have the opportunity to socialize with peers, they can plan weekends away and sleepovers with friends that their homes may not be able to accommodate. Children/youth are often aware of the added responsibility they place on their parents: it is important to them that their parents are able to get away and really relax.

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