

2022 AGM REPORT

The Bridge: From Prison to Community



Our Mission

To provide services of discharge planning, transitional housing, and rehabilitative programs for victims, ex-offenders and families, by promotion and enabling healing and reconciliation for those in our community affected by crime.

Our Vision

To facilitate community reintegration and reconciliation for men in the justice system and their families through advocacy, education and restorative justice.

Located in Hamilton

Serving the

Greater Hamilton and Halton Areas

And beyond.

Facilitating
community
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We host this meeting in Hamilton, upon the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas.

This land is covered by the "Dish With One Spoon" Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes.

We further acknowledge that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

JOANN CARROTHERS



This Board year has been an interesting one dealing with the fire we had last April which put 6 fellows out of housing, programs without a meeting place and staff without a home. For anyone who has experienced a fire you know the emotional toll it has on one let alone the time spent dealing with insurance, demolition and rebuild. The latter has yet to begin and they are saying another year and 1/2 expected. In the meantime, we were graciously invited into space at the Hub and Helping Hands but as you know there is nothing like home and 319 Barton had been home to many over the years. We are presently renting an office at 399 Barton and the guys are more settled.

Fortunately, staff has remained with us through it all. Unfortunately, we are losing our Administrative Assistant Bonnie and we wish her well. Bonnie has been such an integral part of The Bridge for the past 4 years working so hard to get us through COVID and then the fire. Thank-you Bonnie. Programs have continued, caseworker 1:1 support and counselling have been ongoing. Finances remain tight as they have always been since the beginning of The Bridge almost 40 years ago, I should know I have been around that long and seen all the changes of staff, gotten to know all the great guys many of whom experienced trauma in their lives and turned to addictions to ease the pain, while others experience mental health issues they don't get support with, or homelessness from no fault of their own. These fellows come from all walks of life; let us all realize it could be one of our loved ones.



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Do you know of someone who could do with our help, has been involved with the law or who's loved one needs our support please spread the word. We are Hamilton's best kept secret. Hamiltonians should be proud we have such a good program available to help re-integrate people successfully and as quickly as possible thus keeping the community safer and supporting those who have had difficult times.

Many of the men have thanked us for supporting them in their choice of entering college and going on to university, getting jobs they really wanted and permanent housing saying that without The Bridge they would have been back in jail. At an average cost to house an individual of \$613 in supportive housing it would cost 3x as much in a shelter, 7x as much in a correctional institution and 22 x as much if they were in a hospital room compared to social housing and supportive housing like our 1-year transitional housing program which focuses on better client outcomes.

Thank you, supporters and donors, for all you do for the community by supporting The Bridge: From Prison to Community. Should you want to be further involved with us by volunteering, being on our Board etc. please contact us.

Sincerely,
JoAnn - Chairperson

Agenda

Wednesday, June 28, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

@ Christ's Church Cathedral – 252 James St N.
Hamilton, ON & Via Zoom

- 1 - Call to order, Land Acknowledgement, and Welcome
Joann Carrothers, Chair
- 2 - Adoption of the Agenda
Joann Carrothers, Acting Chair
- 3 - Review of Minutes of 2022 Annual General Meeting
Joann Carrothers, Secretary
- 4 - Treasurer's Report
Aydan Schat, Treasurer Chair
- 5 - Appointment of Auditors
Aydan Schat, Treasurer
- 6 - Ratification of Board Actions
Joann Carrothers, Chair
- 7 - Nomination Committee Report and Elections
Joann Carrothers, Chair
- 8 - Presentation of the Mort Paterson Award
Wayne , Past Chair
- 10 - Adjournment
Joann Carrothers, Chair
- 11 - Presentation
Joseph Lauren,
Restorative Justice Housing Ontario

Fincancial statements for review are in a separate package

Due to the ongoing health concerns presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, The Bridge's Annual General Meeting is being held both in person, and by electronic means only
Voting by a show of hands, including via video.

2021 AGM Minutes

Wednesday, June 22, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
At Benetto Community Center & Via Zoom

Call To Order and Welcome: 7:20 p.m. by Chair, Ryan McComb

Adoption of the Agenda:

Motion: To Approve the Agenda as printed.

Moved by Adam Cox

Seconded by Kyle Van de Vooren

Carried.

Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting

Motion: To approve the Minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting, as printed.

Moved by Denise Mirabelli

Seconded by Adam Cox.

Carried.

Treasurer's Report

Motion: To approve the audited Financial Statements for the 2021 operating year.

Moved by Adam Cox

Seconded by Wayne Baker.

Carried

Motion: to approve the board to appoint the auditors for the 2022 operating year

Moved by Ryan McComb

Seconded by Adam Cox

Carried

Motion: If a board member has not attended 2 board meetings consecutively, without reason, may be removed as a board member, by motion of a existing board member. That the Revisions to the Bylaws be approved as above.

Moved by: Kyle Van de Vooren

Seconded by: Denise Mirabelli

Carried.

2021 AGM Minutes Continued

Ratification of Board Actions

The ratification of Board Actions, that all acts, contracts, by-laws, proceedings, appointments, elections and payment enacted, made, done and taken by the Directors and Officers of the Corporation since the last annual meeting as the same that are set out or are referred to in the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors, and the same are, approved, sanctioned and confirmed.

Moved by Jim Tune.

Seconded by: Wayne Baker

Carried

Nominating Committee Report and Elections:

Thank you was given to Wayne Baker, who organized the recruitment of the incoming board of directors. A welcome to the new and a welcome back to the returning board members was given.

Motion: That we accept the recommendations of the Nomination Committee. That the following persons be members of the Board of Directors for the upcoming year:

Wayne Baker ~ Megan Burgess ~ Adam Cox ~ Denise Mirabelli ~ Jim Tune ~ Kyle Van De Vooren ~ Joanne Carrothers ~ Raman Kant-Autar ~ Aydan Schat ~ Miriam Wallbridge ~ Sarah Warrey-Poljanski

Moved by Adam Cox

Seconded by Kyle Van de Vooren

Carried

Presentation of the Mort Paterson Award

The Rev. Mort Paterson was a United Church Minister who served as a mentor when The Bridge was being formed in the 1980's. He had a keen interest in Restorative Justice, which The Bridge is based on. In 1997, The Bridge began honouring those in the community who have an understanding of Restorative Justice and have supported the work of The Bridge.

The Mort Paterson Award, given annually at the AGM, was awarded this year to Brother Terence Aylward

Adjournment of business meeting: 7:40 p.m.

The Daisy Dunlop Restorative Justice Lecture was a replay of the interview that Josh Garrick had done for the 2020 Gala. Josh was one of our first clients to stay at The Bridge residential program, and we are excited to showcase his story.



Board Motions

Motion to Ratify Board Actions

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

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Motion to Approve 2022 Audited Statements

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

that the Board be authorized to approve the 2022 Audited Statements, as distributed separate, and available on our website.

2023-2024 Board

The Nominating Committee recommend that the following persons be members of the Board of Directors for the upcoming year.

Returning:

Wayne Baker ~ Joanne Carruthers ~ Adam Cox

Raman Kant-Autar ~ Denise Mirabelli

Aydan Schat ~ Miriam Wallbridge ~ Sarah Warrey-Poljanski

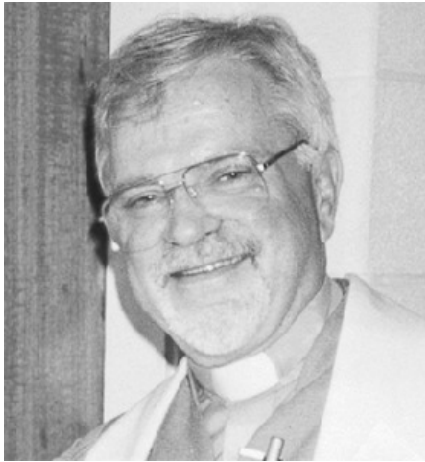
The incoming slate of officers for 2023-2024 board year will be determined at the next Board Meeting following the AGM.

Motion: That we accept the recommendations of the Nomination Committee. That the following persons be members of the Board of Directors for the upcoming year, as outlined above.

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

The Mort Paterson Award



Rev. George Morton (Mort) Paterson
February 15, 1935 – February 22, 2019

In 1997, The Bridge began honoring those in the community who have an understanding of Restorative Justice and have supported the work of The Bridge. The Mort Paterson Award is awarded annually at the AGM in recognition of individuals who have contributed their time and service to The Bridge.



- 2022 Leanne Smith-Cummins
- 2021 Brother Terrence Aylward
- 2020 Karen Mason
- 2019 Edward "Ted" Mercer
- 2018 James Bowick
- 2017 Larry Belbeck
- 2016 Amanda Kollee
- 2015 George Georgas, Darryl Henry
- 2014 Larry Ricciardelli
- 2013 John Shea
- 2012 ~not given~
- 2011 Ron Crawford
- 2010 Don Swiston and Michael Peroune
- 2009 Patricia McNeice
- 2008 Barbara and Guy Mersereau
- 2007 Dr. Raymond Johnson
- 2006 Margaret and Murray Luke
- 2005 Jean Peters
- 2004 Canon Dorothy Johns
- 2003 Rev. Bill Petherick
- 2002 Brian Haughie
- 2001 Sr. Marjorie Masterson
- 2000 Mary Wood
- 1999 Alison Beleny, Fr. Gus Smith
- 1998 W. Murray McCulloch
- 1997 Joe Bochsler, Bill Cockman, Malcolm Curtis

Daisy Dunlop

Restorative Justice Lecture



“Daisy believed she was called by God to work with prisoners as they moved towards repentance, restoration and renewal,” he said. “She also felt God call her to help people understand this. She often said one of her biggest jobs was to help society get to a ‘place of forgiveness’, tolerance and acceptance. That remains a struggle even today.”

Daisy was instrumental in creating programs on Ontario around restorative justice and reintegration for incarcerated individuals. Daisy had provided the inaugural Annual General Meeting presentation, and we have continued the tradition in her honour.

2022 - Joseph Lauren

2021 - Josh Garrick

2020 - No meeting

2019 Karen Mason & Gillian Kearns

2018 Barbara Studholm

2017 Rachel Braithwaite

2016 Lisa Colbert

2015 Donna de Jong

2014 Ralph Walker

2013 Peggy LaFlamme and Wendy Meek

2012 Helen Norris

2011 Russell Kelly

2010 James Bowick

2009 Roger Zsiros

2008 Don MacKay

2007 Brian Mullan

2006 Randy Charbonneau (Philip Walsh)

2005 Linda Orme

2004 Garry Glowacki

2003 Casey Konstanji

2002 Daisy Dunlop

Board Honour Roll

2022-2023 Board

Executive

Interim Chair:	JoAnn Carrothers
Past-Chair	Wayne Baker
Secretary	Denise Mirabelli
Treasurer:	Aydan Schat

Board Members

Megan Burgess ~ Adam Cox ~ Kyle Van De Vooren ~ Raman Kant-Autar
Miriam Wallbridge ~ Sarah Warry

Former Board of Director's Honour Roll

Rev. George Addison 1990-1993	Angie Hamilton 2013-2017	Barry Nye 2020-2021
Dora Anie 2012-2014	Diane Hewat 2014-2016	Anita O'Keefe 2018-2019
Brett Aston 2017-2018	Dorothy Johns 1994-2004	Maryam Pandi 2019
Bonnie-Jean Barlow 2016-2018	Karl Johnson 2014-2015	Michael Peroune 1996-2010
Dr. Larry Belbeck (alternate)	Ray Johnson 1994-1996	Rev. Bill Petherinck 1993-2004
Stephen Bernstein 2020-2021	Dave Kenny 2009-2010	Joan Podmokly 2007-2009
Debra Bertollo 1996-1997	Sean Kiely 2014-2016	Nathan Portillo 2019
Fran Bevan 2012-2015	Lorna Lamparski 2012-2015	Rev. Willard Pottinger 1990-1993
Dan Black 2015-2016	Margaret Luke 1990-1994	Clement Pudjunas 1994-1996
Peter Boushy 2007-2009	Murray Luke 1990-1994	Geoffrey Michael Read 2015-2017
Caroline Brown 1994-1996	John Lumsden 2009-2012	Larry Ricciardelli 2009-2011
JoAnn Carrothers 2001-2012	Karen Mason 2017-2020	Art Samson 2003-2005
Lillian Curtis 1998-2012	Sr. Marjorie Masterson 1991-2001	Mirar Shaarnay 2019
Arfa Dar 2020-2021	W. Murray McCulloch 1990-1994	Fr. Gus Smith 1990-2003
Susan Davis 1998	Ted Mercer	Don Swiston 2003-2010
John Duguay 2018	Barbara Mersereau 1999-2008	Cara Tabron 2014
Fr. Joe Durkacz 2014-2016	Patricia McNeice 1993-2008	Jim Tune 2021
John Ellis 1997-2002	2012-2014	Ryan Vandenhaak 2012-2014
Lynn Gates 2016	Tammy McGillivray 2002-2012	Rev. S. Van Houton 1990-1991
Emily Goodall 1991-1997	Tara Mimnagh	Robert Westbrook 2004
Denise Graham 2012-2014	Neville Nunes 2007-2012	Neil Wheatley 2011-2012
		Mark White 1994-1999

Meet Our Staff

Maja – Executive Director



Maja first joined The Bridge in 2019 as Program Manager for the Halton program. In the spring of 2021, we were excited to have Maja join us again, as the interim Executive Director and in November 2021 she took over this role full time. Maja brings to The Bridge a wide breadth of experience in the criminal justice system that includes having worked within one of the largest correctional institutions in Ontario, as well as in two provincial courts in both the Mental Health Diversion Program and as Supervisor supporting a restorative justice approach in a Community Justice and Diversion Program. In her spare time she likes to relax walking her new puppy or watch Netflix with a big bowl of popcorn.

Mike – Case Worker



Mike first began his career in 1994 as an Addictions Counsellor at Moreland. He started out with The Bridge as a volunteer in 2018, and was putting together an addiction support program. Mike joined the staff in 2019, as a Case Worker at The Bridge House in Hamilton where he provides reintegration support to our clients transitioning out of custody. He is an avid snooker player and looks forward to his annual fishing trip to Hearst where he gets the opportunity to relax in nature. When not using meditation to work on self awareness, Mike enjoys a good plate of jerk chicken with a side of Greek salad.

Alison – Stride Program Manager



Alison joined the Bridge team, to help roll out the Stride program in early 2021 and saw it to completion at the end of September 2022. Alison has seen the difference that healthy connections and meaningful relationships can make in people's lives through relationship with others, we soon realize we are far more similar than different, everyone needs connection and a sense of belonging. Alison is a big animal lover, she enjoys spending time with her 4 pets, other people's pets, and hanging out with her human family, especially outside.

The Board members of The Bridge would like to thank The Bridge staff for all of their hard work and dedication throughout the last year.

Farewell to Bonnie Barlow



Bonnie – Administrative Assistant

Bonnie has worked tirelessly behind the scenes to keep us running and organized for the past 5 years. Whether it is our marketing materials, website, or other administrative related tasks that keep us going, Bonnie has a wealth of talents that we have been grateful for.

However, it is with great sadness that we are having to say goodbye to our wonderful Bonnie. She first started with our organization as a board member and volunteer in 2016 and in 2019 helped us develop our programming as we branched into Halton. In her tenure with us as volunteer, board member, and administrative assistant, Bonnie has been steadfast in her support and dedication to The Bridge. Her passions around advocacy and destigmatization have been well appreciated and it will be truly missed. She had created our US Thanksgiving football drop in, giving our clients a sense of normalcy in their world of chaos. Bonnie has been part of our Gala organizing committee for the last 4 gala's, key in our marketing profile, especially for our website, social media, and print; as well as for our events like the Restorative Justice conference.

In her role as administrative assistant, she worked hard to make the transition for many of our technology upgrades as seamless and easy as possible. Bonnie worked hard through the transition periods of new program directions, COVID and all the changes as a result of our recent fire. We are glad to have had her throughout the entire process.

We will miss you Bonnie, and wish you well on your future endeavors.

2022 Year in Review

This year has been one of our most difficult times yet in the history of The Bridge. In April 2022 we experienced a catastrophic fire and it is not known when we will be able to move back into The Bridge House to re-start our transitional housing programming. Despite this tremendous setback we were able to still provide our much needed reintegration program for men recently released from custody and outreach program for those with a history of criminal justice involvement. Our case manager provided 1:1 wrap around reintegration support that included connecting participants to housing/shelter, ID, income support, employment, informal counselling, clothing, food, etc.

For the second year in a row our successful employment program through a generous grant from the **Raise Meaningful Work Foundation** continued connecting participants to training and employment opportunities with an added bonus this year of being able to help participants with some of the living and soft skills needed to reintegrate successfully back into the community and work life with our life skills programming. This year we also started a much needed mental health and addictions drop in group on Tuesdays from 1pm to 3pm for men with a history of trauma thanks to a grant from Bell Let's Talk.

We wrapped up our women's Strides program in Halton with finally being able to hold programming inside the Vanier Correctional Centre for Women thanks to the hard work of our Program Manager Allison.

It has been a rough 10 months without the house. Especially for our staff, our board and those we support who were all getting tired having no home base. Spending 6 months in the town house, we realized how important our presence has been on Barton Street just a stone throw away from the Barton Street jail. Our board have been actively looking for an office space so we have a place where people can come participate in our Employment, Life Skills, Mental Health & Addiction, Dinner & Discussion Programs come for outreach services or just pick up some safe supplies, clothing, a bit of food or to just say hi. We aren't able to provide housing at this time but we still have a lot to offer those recently released from jail or those working on their discharge plan.

Whether it is a parent whose young person has gone into custody for the first time or a spouse whose loved one is continually in contact with the law; we help family members and relational networks cope through our **Family Support Program**. Whether during weekly meetings or through individual informal counselling on the phone we provide a place where family can come for practical advise, or peer and emotional support without the fear of being judged or with the shame that often comes from having a loved one in jail.

Transitional Housing Update

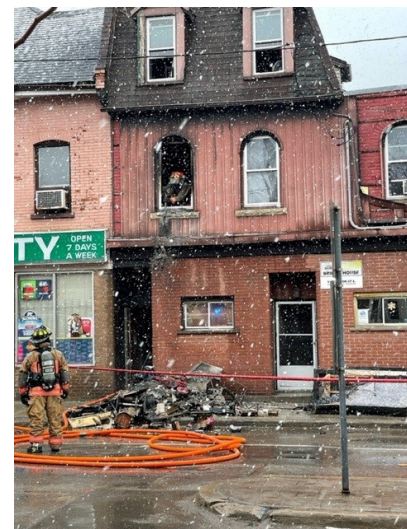
In April 18, 2022, one of our worst nightmares happened, the Bridge House caught fire. The 3-alarm fire sent one resident to hospital and the other five residents immediately homeless. Thanks to the quick and brave work of the Hamilton Fire Department the fire was suppressed and did not impact the neighbouring buildings.

This was a tragic loss for our residents who had just started turning their lives around. All of their belongings were lost due to fire, smoke and water damage. We want to thank the Community of Hamilton for rallying around the Bridge during our greatest time of need. The Red Cross stepped in immediately to provide emergency shelter for our residents who came home from work to find out they were suddenly left homeless.

The summer of 2022 saw the house completely gutted with demolition complete by September. The Engineers have done their work and we are waiting patiently for permits to be able to start the restoration phase of work.

We have been generously provided with capitol funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) for repairs that we need for work on the foundation.

We have had many people ask when our transitional housing program will begin again. We know how hard it is for our clients being released from prison who have no where to go. As anyone who has been involved in renovations know, there is no way to predict the exact date when we will open our doors. But we are doing all that we can to make it happen as soon as possible. In the meantime as of this printing, we have secured a temporary office space at 399 Barton Street East in which to meet clients and hold our other much needed programs.



Community Support

Hamilton is a very special city to live, work and play. The Bridge has always felt welcomed as an organization in the City. However, we were able to really see how much we are valued when the city residents and organizations rallied around and supported us after the fire.

Donors from near and far immediately stepped up after the fire and we received well over \$15,000 during our call out through social media and a GoFund Me campaign launched on our behalf. We are also grateful for all of the media attention we received who shared our story. A shout out to CBC Hamilton, The Hamilton Spectator, CHCH News, CHML Global, and inSauga-The Hammer.

Summit Housing stepped in and provided temporary housing for our residents from June through to November 2022 until our current residents were able to secure alternate housing. We happily report that as of November 2022 these residents have found longer term stable housing.

Raise Meaningful Work Foundation not only provided us a grant for two years in a row to support our very successful employment program. They also sent us a videographer who met with us and created a wonderful video story that showcases the great work we do.

Please check it out here

<https://vimeo.com/redletter/review/813163238/2eee6a9720>

Finally, having no office space for a year has been hard for all of us. We would like to thank The Hub and Helping Hands for their generous gift of space that enabled us to continue our groups.

We would like to thank everyone for their generous support.



Halton Program

Strides is a program that was developed by Community Justice Initiatives' (CJI) to help women in prison build informal networks of support that assist them as they reintegrate back to the community.



In 2019 we received funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF), Seeds Grant to develop this program at the Vanier Centre for Women in order to expand our client services to include reintegration supports to women in the Halton region.

However, COVID-19 related programming closures within provincial institutions meant that we had to put this program on hold for two years. Understanding the need for this type of service in the Halton region, OTF gave us permission in the fall of 2021 to pivot and find a new way to launch the program. We partnered with Churchill Neighbourhood Centre in Halton who provided us with a space to run our weekly Strides' Nights. Alison Harris joined us in April of this year as our new Program Manager. With her hard work and perseverance she finally got us into Vanier Centre for Women by the summer. As with all programming during the pandemic we have had to be flexible and innovative in our approach. The start of the program was a bit tricky at first but Alison did an exceptional job connecting with community partners in Halton to promote the program. The program ended in September with many lessons learned. The women in the institution reported that they looked forward to connecting with our staff and volunteers weekly but staff shortages and lock downs made continuity in programming difficult with last minute cancellations happening often. We hope that this much needed type of programming can be provided again one day. Some of our most vulnerable women in society need it!

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- Allison Playfair
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- Gary Boomgaardt
- John R. Seedhouse
- Krystal Valencia
- Luke McKee
- Mary Love
- Sidney/Eudora Benjamin

We would also like to thank all the individuals who held fundraisers through social media, and the many donors who wish to remain anonymous

Thank you to all

We would like to thank the following corporate, faith based and government organizations listed below for their support



A3H Imaging



St. Stephen Endowment Fund

Volunteering

Our programs have always relied heavily on the support of volunteers. Volunteers are the connection and often the only connection the people we serve have back into the community. Stigma, discrimination and the resulting social isolation leave folks without a sense of belonging and meaning that being a part of the community brings. Our volunteers are that bridge between. They are also some of the biggest advocates for social change.



A volunteer training session

Program Support

- Our programs can use volunteers and we are always looking for folks interested in trying something new

Fundraising

- Interested in fundraising? Contact us for more information

Event Planning

- Can you help us put together some of our exciting events? We have lots of opportunities!

Social Media

- We need people with skills in this area to help us with our web site, Facebook, etc.

Peer Support or Board and related committees

- Are you interested on 1:1 mentoring or being part of the governance of our organization?

A big shout out to our volunteers who supported us in 2022
Megan Burr, Trevor Messina, Karen Mason,
Nathaniel Mierau, Aislinn Mierau & Kiran Mierau

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, reach out at volunteer@hamilton-bridge.ca or visit gigitmarketplace.ca to fill out an application.

Ways to Give

FlipGive

Use code LY95LC to join our team

FündScrip™

Use code 30607 to register and the Invitation Code is 9EYVVK



<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/the-bridge-hamilton/>

Finances remain the single biggest challenge The Bridge faces. Individual donors make a huge difference. You can contribute in several ways.

- **Attend a fundraising event**
- **Give one time or monthly.** We can take cash, cheques, Mastercard, Visa, or Debit.
- **Give online.** To donate online, go to www.hamilton-bridge.ca/donate. Payments are processed through Canada Helps.
- **Estate giving.** Consider including The Bridge in your will, or as a beneficiary of an insurance policy



From Prison to Community

Core Values

- We believe in the commitment of staff to promote for the growth and accountability of our clients.
- We believe that our programs will contribute to the well-being of the community.
- We believe in volunteers who will provide compassionate support for the reintegration of clients into the community.
- We believe in challenging the community to become a welcoming, understanding place.
- We believe in a volunteer Board of Directors to embrace the vision and values of the Bridge, and also the requirements of various levels of government and outside agencies.



New Location

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Hamilton Ontario, L8L 2X6



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