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Have ideas for a community program or questions about services and supports we provide? There are lots of ways to connect.



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Celebrating 60 years of growing community

It's amazing how busy the first half of the year has been, with the days flying by. There's a lot going on at Quad County Support Services. From planning our 60th anniversary event to welcoming new staff to planning summer activities – we are keeping busy!

We kicked off the summer with our 60th anniversary open house in June. What a fun day!

Thank you to all who attended and helped make it a success. I enjoyed reconnecting with people from the past while sharing some stories and laughs. This event was the beginning of our 60th anniversary celebrations of Growing Community.

Coming up next is our sponsorship of competitions in the Rodney and Glencoe Agricultural Fairs this September. I'm certainly looking forward to seeing how everyone's zinnias have grown.

If you haven't yet started growing your zinnias, there's still time. And make sure to grab a prize book to learn how to enter your bouquet of zinnias. Total prize money for each is \$60.

Our growing theme continues with many activities underway this summer. I've had the pleasure of watching so many of the individuals we support out and about embracing new activities and adventures. You've likely seen some of their journeys on our Facebook page. There are lots of photos of outings taking place across Ontario with many smiling faces. I encourage you to check out our Facebook page to see the adventures.



While some individuals need more support than others, what is common is how everyone is being empowered to live their best lives. A special thanks to our staff who have helped make this summer fun happen.

Finally, an administration update. We've been moving towards modernizing and implementing a new web-based scheduling and payroll system. It's involved much behind-the-scenes work. Our management and financial teams have spent countless hours working with Inclusion to get this system up and running.

While it might not sound exciting, this upgrade ties into our strategic objective of long-term sustainability planning.

Thanks to our staff for embracing this new technology and being available for training in a very short period of time.

I will end by saying I hope everyone is taking some time to relax and recharge over the summer as we promise to have a busy fall. I know I'm looking forward to some downtime with my family.

Linda Long,
Executive Director



Spotlight:

Here are some photos from our 60th anniversary open house in June.



FACEBOOK PAGE:
Quad County Support Services

*We're regularly posting on Facebook photos!
We encourage you to follow, comment and help
grow our Facebook 'Quad Community'.*



Summer Youth Transition Program



Our annual Summer Youth Transition Program is well underway with 9 youth from our catchment area participating.

This is a person-directed program, which means each individual's interests and goals guide their experience. Some focus areas include skill building, finding opportunities for employment, volunteering, and of course, having fun!

generosity of our community who see the value of the program, donations have been increasing.

A special thank you to:

- Canada Summer Jobs Program
- Municipality of Southwest Middlesex
- Municipality of West Elgin
- Acorn Fund for Youth
- London Community Foundation
- Andrea Burdick – Andrea's Epic meals fundraiser
- Women Who Care in Southwest Middlesex
- Elgin County Community Grant Program



Lana Geiger and Heidi Acres have been hired to assist Darlene Hoover in running this program. Lana attends Brock University and Heidi will be studying at Huron College in the fall.



This is not a funded program, but relies completely on donations and grants. Thanks to the

Board members wanted!!

Are you passionate about helping people with development disabilities live their best lives? Do you want to give back to your community in a meaningful way?

If yes, we'd love to talk to you about being on our Board of Directors. We are currently recruiting new board members.

The board provides governance and strategic direction for our organization. Meetings are monthly in-person and via Zoom (we're flexible to meet your needs).

If you're interested in learning more about our board of directors and how you can make a difference, email info@quadcounty.ca.