

Les and Kae Martin Adult Respite Bursary Program

Funded respite services for high needs adults with autism

Thanks to the Les & Kae Martin Charitable Foundation, Geneva Centre for Autism has created a new bursary program, named and in honour of the Foundation, to provide financial assistance for adults to access our services. GCA will be offering funded day, evening, and weekend respite for high needs adults demonstrating financial need.

About Adult Respite

GCA's Adult Respite programs support adults on the autism spectrum to engage in recreational activities while providing caregivers with a planned break. Participants will have exposure to social, recreational and leisure opportunities in a group environment. Respite staff use the principles of Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA) to support clients in working towards individualized goals and engage in individual and group activities. This program is for individuals aged 18+ years and offers a 1 to 1 staff to client ratio.

Respite Bursary Programs:

- Summer Weekend Respite provides 6 days of weekend respite from July to August 2021.
- Fall Weekend Respite provides 10 days of weekend respite from September to December 2021.
- Fall Evening Respite provides 10 days of evening respite from September to December 2021.
- Fall Day respite provides 24 days of day respite from October to November 2021.

Please note: You are only eligible to sign up for **one** bursary per calendar year. On the application form, you will choose one of the following programs or rank your preference if there are multiple programs you wish to apply for. Additional information regarding dates and times to be provided.

Program Dates:

Summer Weekend Respite: Saturday July 10 - August 21 (*no program July 31st*) from 9:30am - 2:30pm

Summer Weekend Respite: Sundays July 11 - August 22 (*no program August 1st*) from 9:30am - 2:30pm

Fall Weekend Respite: September 25/26 - December 4/5 from 9:30am - 2:30pm

Fall Evening Respite: September 29/30 - December 1/2 from 4:00pm - 8:00pm

Fall Day Respite: October 12 - November 19 from 9:30am - 2:30pm

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Respite Eligibility

Please note: Eligibility does not guarantee that you will receive a bursary. Eligible applications will be entered into a lottery and drawn at random until all spots have been filled.

1. You will need to provide proof of income with your application.
2. Eligible applicants must qualify as low income based on the Statistics Canada 2019 low-income cut-off (LICO). If your family income is below the low-income cut-off indicated in the following table, you are eligible to apply for this program.

Size of Family Unit	Annual Family Income
1 person	\$25,338
2 persons	\$31,544
3 persons	\$38,780
4 persons	\$47,084
5 persons	\$53,402
6 persons	\$60,228
7 persons	\$67,056

If more than 7 persons, for each additional person, add \$6,828

To apply for a Les & Kae Martin Respite Bursary Program, please submit your completed application form and appropriate supporting documents to bursary@autism.net. The application deadline for the Summer Weekend Respite program is May 31st 2021.

For more information about the Les & Kae Martin Bursary Program or Application process, please email bursary@autism.net.

Les & Kae Martin Adult Respite Bursary Program Application Form

Applicant Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 Province: _____ Postal Code: _____
 Phone #: _____ Email: _____
 Preferred Method of Contact: _____

Participant Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

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Spouse and Dependents Living at Home

Proof of income must reflect those listed below.

Name	Birth Date	Relationship

Is yours a one-adult household? Yes No

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Income

What is your gross annual household income? _____

Support Documentation

In order to qualify for a Les & Kae Martin Bursary, you are required to submit supporting documentation for all family income with the application.

Note: All supporting documents must be photocopied with Social Insurance Numbers (SINs) blacked out. DO NOT submit originals.

Please indicate which documents you will be providing:

- Canada Revenue Agency's (CRA) current year Notice of Assessment with line 150 (total income). Please be sure to include pages with name, address, tax year.
- Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) statement with income & name/address sections attached.
- Employment Insurance (EIB) Record of Employment & My Current/Recent Claim Page from your My Service Canada online account.
- Pay stub showing income for the last 30 days.
- A signed letter from a representative of a social agency or religious institution that lists all family members, verifies your address and total family income.

Confirmation

I _____ declare that the information I have provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant

Date



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