Durham Association for Family Resources and Support

Statement of Vision, Mission, and Values

VISION

We all enjoy full and meaningful life within our communities; we are all stronger when each member belongs

MISSION

Durham Family Resources works in partnership with a person with a disability, their family and allies to imagine, plan, implement, and work toward a good life in family, neighbourhood and community.

Because our community is best when everyone contributes, our partnership aims to enhance the capacity of the whole family to care for one another and to sustain or enhance their valued social roles as family members and as members of the community.

We support our Vision by working with the whole family, together choosing resources, supports and pathways anchored in practices that take place in ordinary community life, one person at a time, and use a Social Role Valorization (SRV) framework.

VALUES

Durham Family Resources believes:

- In the essential importance of a good life in family, neighbourhood and community.
- Freely given, committed personal relationships with people will best safeguard the lives and wellbeing of family members with disabilities
- Communities have the capacity and a fundamental responsibility to welcome and support people with disabilities, and that our communities will be stronger and better when we all belong
- That, when provided with adequate support, families provide the safest, most consistent and loving environment for family members and have the capacity to imagine, plan and build good lives for and with their family members in community
- That there is great value in family-to-family learning, family leadership and connection, and on the ability of families and allies to build and influence their communities to grow strong together

Durham Family Resources is family-led, rooted in community, focused on recognizing capacity, and always moves toward critical analysis and action based on this Vision, Mission and Values.

