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David Busby Street Centre News letter

Mission:

Driven by a philosophy of empowerment, the David Busby Street Centre works from a non-judgmental approach to advocate for and improve conditions for individuals and families within Simcoe-County who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Helping Others -
Help Themselves

About The Busby Centre

The David Busby Street Centre is a drop-in centre in downtown Barrie that provides a warm, safe environment for homeless or marginalized people; those who are socially-isolated; low-income families; the working poor; youth in distress; and seniors who are struggling financially. The number of visitors to our Centre has risen steeply in the 17 years since our inception, and we rely on support from the community at large to help us in our mission. The individuals and families using our services are often suffering from poor health, social isolation, mental health concerns, physical and cognitive challenges, and the devastating impact of violence and abuse. Service delivery is based on a non-judgmental acceptance of, and respect for, anyone who approaches our facility. We now see an average of up to 200 clients a day, or 38,000 visitors a year. This is comparable to the entire population of Barrie only 25 years ago. We anticipate

that this increasing need for service will continue, as Simcoe County has been designated one of the fastest growing communities in Canada. The official government plan calls for a further doubling of the County's population in the next quarter century, and as the general population grows, so does the population which our organization serves.

Services include:

- Individual Case Counselling
- Housing Support
- Practical & Basic Needs Assistance
- Health Care Services
- Addiction Support
- Administrative Support
- Mental Health Services
- Infant Needs & Supplies
- Mobile Outreach Services –including Central Intake for Barrie Out of The Cold

Drop-in Centre Hours of Operation

Business Hours:

Monday-Friday, 8:00am-3:30pm

Drop-In Centre Winter Hours:

Monday-Friday, 8:00am-2:00pm
November 15th to April 30th

Summer Hours:

Monday-Friday, 9:00am-2:00pm
May 1st to November 14th

Mobile Outreach Hours of Operation



7 days per week

Winter Hours:

(November 15th to April 30th)
Monday-Sunday, 5:00pm-9:30pm

Summer Hours:

Monday-Friday, 4:00pm-8:00pm
Saturday-Sunday 9:00am-2:00pm
May 1st to November 14th

Ph: 1-877-845-0840

Contact Information

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Board of Directors: 2010-2011

- Chair:** Carson Lutz
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- Director:** Leslie Aberle
- Director:** Marc Simpson
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- Police Liaison:** Steve Bishop
- Participant Rep:** Ric Rattle
- Honourary Member:** Norah Busby

Staff:

- Executive Director:** Sara Peddle
- Administrator:** Marie French
- Case Manager:** Liz Macgregor
- Case Manager:** Lori Majer
- Outreach:** Tara Powell
- Central Intake:** Dave Chaytor
- Central Intake:** Michael Dunn
- Outreach:** Kellie Marsh
- Resource Development Coordinator:** Yolanda T. Gallo (funded through the Ontario Trillium Foundation)
- Registered Nurse:** Nicole Black (funded through the International Baxter Foundation)
- Partnership Coordinator:** Catherine Johnson (funded through Employment Ontario)

In House Community Partners:

- Jeannie Monahan,
Housing Worker provided by Barrie Housing
- Jennifer Knapp,
Nurse Practitioner provided by Victorian Order of Nurses
- Cory Cyr,
Transitional Worker provided by Ontario Works





A Year in Review

2010 Street Light Gala

On April 24th, 2010, we held our 5th annual Street Light Gala & Silent Auction. The sold out event featured a Tribute Journal that was specially prepared to give an opportunity for individuals and the business community to acknowledge their support of the award recipients and the Busby Centre. The proceeds raised from this event was more than \$30,00.00.

Our 6th Annual Street Light Gala will be held on Saturday May 28, 2011. We look forward to another successful event. See "Your invitation to Upcoming Events" on page 4.



2010 Award Recipients



Founder's Award
Mandy Hillyard
(founder of the DBSC)



David Busby Memorial Award
Mrs. Norah Busby
(wife of the late David Busby)



Volunteer of the Year Award
Joan Lafrance



Community Service Award
Mark Aitken
(CAO of the County of Simcoe and Campaign Co -Chair of the United Way of Greater Simcoe County)

David Busby Street Centre holds Art Exhibition "Visibly Unseen" at MaLaren Art Centre

With the generous support from The Douglas Utting Foundation, on April 8th, 2010 in collaboration with the McLaren Art Centre, Georgian College Digital Photography Imaging Students, the School of Design & Visual Arts and the Busby Participants, we hosted a 30-Day exhibition titled "Visibly Unseen". The scope and purpose of this gallery project was to raise awareness of homelessness and poverty in our community. Accompanying the exhibition was a printed Photo Journal with text describing the black and white images.

The success of this exhibition would not have been possible without the assistance of Henrys-photo-video-digital-, Rhubarb Media, The Creative Space, ME Audio & Visual and the services by Stephen Michael, Sorlie Arts, Manic Media, Kwik Kopy Design & Print Centre. Also thank you to The Trillium Foundation for funding the Resource Development Coordinator position that managed and coordinated the creative direction.

We wish to thank The Douglas Utting Foundation for believing in this project and funding our second annual "Visibly Unseen" which is scheduled to launch in May 2011 at Barrie's City Hall Rotunda.



"Opposite ends of the Spectrum"
Photo by Phil Collins



"I used to be Blind"
Photo by Clarice Pangowosh



"This is not Dan"
Photo by Cole Bennett



Community Support with Special Thanks to.....

...**Andrea Michael, Chaplin of St. Joe's High School** and Trinity Anglican Church for allowing the students of St. Joe's High School the use of the kitchen at Trinity to prepare a full course luncheon for all who access the David Busby Street Centre.

...**Chef Philip Leach, Chef Dave Jones and to the Junior Chef's Association** for preparing our Annual Christmas Dinner with donations and supplies graciously donated by our community at large (pictures below).



...the **Students of Timothy Christian School**, who has prepared bagged lunches for our Mobile Outreach Program on many occasions throughout the year.

...**Joe Carsaro of Joe's No Frills** who supplies us with a weekly gift card to support the Mobile Outreach Program and the Busby Drop-In Centre programs.

...**Holly's Eats and Treats and Great Canadian Bagel** for supplying us with our daily bread and bagel supply for our Drop-In Centre and Mobile Outreach.

...**Andrew Miller of Back2Basics** for providing vegetables from the community garden project.

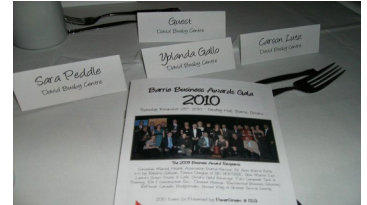
...**Chad and Sandra Ballantyne** of Rhubarb Media and The Creative Space for their on-going support.



Barrie Running Room
Annual Resolution Run



St. John Vianney Women's League
donates proceeds from Church
Bazaar



David Busby Street Centre now a
Barrie Chamber of Commerce
Member.

In 2010, the David Busby Street
Centre was nominated and made it
to the finalists stage for the Barrie
Business Community Service
Award.



NEW THIS YEAR
Central Intake for Barrie
Out of The Cold has been
amalgamated with our
Mobile Outreach Program.



Northern Protocol inc.
computer sales and service
we fix it or it's FREE!®

Northern Protocol - Providing IT and
Network Support



**Jody Patfield of Kempenfelt Imaging
Systems** graciously donates a full-sized
Toshiba- Copier/Fax/Printer to the Busby Centre.



Wallwin Voice & Data Networks
provided a refurbished digital
phone system and equipment.



David Busby Street Centre is now a grant recipient for the Ride for
Refuge program, across Canada and the US.
For more information visit: www.rideforrefuge.org

South Barrie Collision Centre (SBCC) has joined hands with
the community of Barrie to help the David Busby Street Centre
with their Mobile Outreach Program.

South Barrie Collision Centre technicians generously donated
time and effort in restoring a 2007 Chevy Uplander which
was presented to the DBSC on February 23, 2011.

It was an evening of wine & hors d'oeuvres, with musical guest Bob Charters.
Honourary guests included Mayor Jeff Lehman and MP Patrick Brown.



Mayor Jeff Lehman & Alec
Smales, President of SBCC

**Thank you to all of our wonderful Centre, Mobile Outreach, Board and Committee
member volunteers for their passion, dedication and support.**



Email us at getconnected@busbycentre.ca or call us at 705-739-6916

Volunteering

Volunteer Positions are available in the following areas:

- Board Members
- Drop-In Centre
- Mobile Outreach
- Fundraising
- Communications
- Public Relations
- Planning

Applications can be completed online at www.busbycentre.ca or email:

getconnected@busbycentre.ca.

All volunteers of the David Busby Street Centre will be asked to provide a Police Record Check.

Support the Programs and Services we offer

Your financial contributions are vital to the success of our organization!

Your contributions allow us to sustain the critical programs and services needed in order to serve our community and people in need of refuge, social interaction and a place where everyone who enters know they are safe, warm and get the help they need.

You can support the David Busby Street Centre as follows:

- Monthly Contributions
- Annual Contributions
- Stocks, Bonds, Securities
- Planned Giving with Wills & Bequests
- Planned Giving with Life Insurance
- Online via Canada Helps

By making the David Busby Street Centre your Charity of Choice not only are you supporting a great organization but can save yourself hundreds of dollars in tax shelters. Ask us how?

Donate

Due to the growing number of individuals in need of basic and practical items in both our Drop In Centre and our Mobile Outreach programs, we rely heavily on donations for the following wish list items:

Toiletry Items Such As:

- Male and Female Razors
- Deodorant
- Shampoo/Shampoo Samples
- Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Gently Used Towels & Face Cloths
- Toilet Paper, Paper Towels
- Shaving Cream for men or women

Infant Items Such As:

- Infant Formula
- Baby Food
- Baby Diapers

Breakfast Items:

- Powdered Milk
- Coffee
- Sugar
- Peanut Butter
- Canned fruit

Clothing Items Such As:

- Work Boots
- Winter Boots
- Shoes
- Jeans
- Seasonal Clothing
- Socks
- Underwear-mens and ladies

Other Items Such As:

- Tarps, Tents
- Blankets, Sleeping Bags, Sheets
- Bottled Water

Your Are Invited to....

May 10th, 2011—City Hall Rotunda Agenda:

5-6pm Our 18th Annual General Meeting

6-7pm Donor Recognition Sneak Peek of 2nd Annual "Visibly Unseen" Photo Exhibition

7-9pm Official 2nd Annual "Visibly Unseen" Photo Exhibition Launch

The Exhibit will remain on display at the Rotunda from May 10—31st, 2011

May 28, 2011

6th Annual Street Light Gala at LIBERTY NORTH Catering by Colin

Special Guest Performance by BRAVADO~Barrie's Show Choir~

Featuring: the 2nd Annual Visibly Unseen

2011 Busby Street Light Gala Award Recipients:

Community Service Award ~ Barrie Out of The Cold (BOOTC)

Volunteer of the Year Award ~ Laurina Krans

Memorial Award ~ Earl Paquette

Founder's Award ~ Keith & Mary Caldwell

Tickets -\$75 with a \$25 tax receipt

Expressions of support are available for the Annual Tribute Journal at various levels.

Visit our new website at www.busbycentre.ca to reserve your tickets and give an

expression of support in our Tribute Journal.

Thank you to our funders for your support:

