



The Hon. Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, wrote, "Thank you to Patricia and her housemates... for opening your beautiful home for us to visit and to see how L'Arche is providing support for people with diverse abilities."

Together, We Can Build a More Inclusive Future **Support L'Arche Toronto's \$3.9 Million Capital Campaign**

For over 50 years, L'Arche Toronto has built homes, not just with brick and mortar, but with heart. L'Arche is a community where people with developmental disabilities (the 'core members' at the heart of everything we do) thrive in caring relationships with the assistants who support them and their family, friends, and neighbours. It's a place where every person is valued and belongs.

Today, L'Arche Toronto is at a pivot point. Core members are aging with increased physical and mental health needs. Newer members have different needs and expectations. Our traditional homes are inaccessible and costly to maintain. The model that served us well for decades must evolve to serve current and future generations. That's why we are launching a transformative housing initiative – and we need you to make it a reality.



Building on the Impact of River House

"Every Canadian deserves a safe and affordable place to call home... This innovative housing project will have a transformative impact on the lives of those living with developmental disabilities, by providing them with accessible housing and the support services they need to thrive. It's absolutely vital that we create housing options like this across Canada to support our most vulnerable and ensure that no one is left behind..."

- The Honourable Ahmed Hussen, Minister of Housing and Diversity and Inclusion. 2023



"We are part of the community. There are lots of things around: homes, the bank, grocery stores, restaurants, drug stores. We want to be where the community is."

- Stephen Richardson, L'Arche Toronto Core Member.

"River House is a living, breathing testament to inclusion, a demonstration of what can be achieved through cross-sectorial collaboration."

- Mitchell Cohen, **Rhythms of Change**

Why Your Support Matters



Adaptive, accessible living

Three of our current homes are 125-year-old, detached houses. Accessible housing that meets today's building standards will enable full participation, security, and peace of mind - for the people we support today and the dozens of people we will welcome in coming decades.

Aging in Place with Dignity

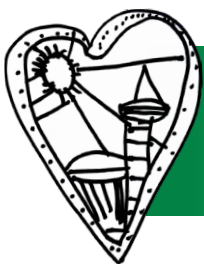
Almost half of our core members are over 60. As they age, their care needs increase. Like everyone, they deserve a home where they can grow old with dignity, surrounded by friends and familiar supports in spaces built for accessibility, comfort, and safety.

A model that works

Our recent success with **River House**, a customized condo in Regent Park (fully funded by an innovative model of government grants and strong community support), proves this vision is possible - and effective. In just two years:

- o Independence/interdependence has grown.
- o Quality of life has improved.
- o Core members are more connected to the wider Toronto community.

Oak House will provide six deeply affordable, fully accessible rental units within two interconnected condo suites. This design responds to the needs and hopes of both aging members and younger members who seek smaller, quieter settings. It is designed with a horizon of 99+ years, ensuring it meets the needs not only of today's core members but also of future generations. Slated for occupancy in 2026, we're ready to bring this vision to life – but we cannot do it alone.





The Future of Inclusive Housing

Enter Oak House at Daniels on Parliament



Within approximately 3000 square feet, L'Arche Toronto will have **two** accessible, barrier-free apartments comprising a total of 6 affordable housing units. Each suite includes:

- o 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms
- o Separate kitchen, living and dining spaces
- o A shared media room that connects the suites
- o A spacious, private outdoor terrace with room for a barbecue
- o Access to same-floor building amenities