



# Events for Life

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Presentation to the Council – Town of Blue Mountains  
Monday, October, 16, 2017

# *Who are we?*

- *Events for Life (EFL) is a not-for-profit registered charity that offers a variety of educational, recreational and social day programs geared towards lifelong learning for adults with special needs*



# *What do we do?*

- We offer Day Programs 3 days / week with an average of 15 participants per day*
- All of our Day Programs are held at the EFL Centre on 33<sup>rd</sup> Sideroad in Thornbury*
- We share coffee with our community every Wednesday at Grace United Church in Thornbury*
- We offer bi-monthly 'super socials' – experiential events for our participants such as theatre trips, dances, campouts, etc*



# *Why EFL is important to the Community*

- *The majority of our Participants are lacking financial resources, transportation, and social skills to do these things independently*
  - *Without EFL, many participants would never have these opportunities and experiences*
- *The parents of our participants are part of an aging population*
  - *Children of this population need support – this is a key deciding factor for families retiring to this community*



# *Our Request*

- We are requesting that the Town of Blue Mountains provide EFL with a pledge of \$50,000. – consisting of \$10,000 per year for 5 years to support the provision of programs now and into the future*



# *Why we need your support*

- *Salary costs related to our Day Programs are covered by participant fees.*
- *All additional costs including those associated with programming, facility costs and salary costs for experiential activities (including 'super socials') must be covered by fundraising*
- *We need to ensure a constant flow of funds to support the provision of our services for the population of special needs adults and their families living in this community*



# *Benefits to our Participants*

- *These experiences make their world bigger*
- *They grow confident through social interaction with friends*
- *They experience many 'firsts' that never would have been realized*
- *They receive vocational training*
- *They become involved in our Community*
- *It provides needed respite for their parents*



# *Our commitment to you*

- *We will promote the Town of Blue Mountains as being the home of one of the most innovative and successful programs for special needs adults in the province.*
- *We will ensure that our participants continue to be active members of our community*
- *We will support the vision of the Town being a complete community designed to last where opportunities abound*





*Thank You*

[This is who we are video](#)