

INTRODUCTION

Crosslinks offers services to Individuals, 16 - 65, with serious mental illness, who reside in or want to reside in York Region.

- ✓ *Community Support Program*
- *provides case management.*
- ✓ *Housing Outreach Program*
- *assists in finding suitable housing and linking to appropriate resources.*
- ✓ *Residential Services*
- *offers a number of shared, affordable homes.*
- ✓ *Crosslinks Street Outreach*
- *offers a variety of harm reduction services to the at risk or homeless.*
- ✓ *Crosslinks Homeless Initiative*
- *provides a program for those who are seriously mentally ill and homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.*

Referrals are welcomed from hospitals, hostels, self-referrals, or other service providers.

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LOFT COMMUNITY SERVICES
Welcomes support from the private sector. LOFT Community Services is a non-profit, non-sectarian organization. For more information phone: (416) 979-1994

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HOUSING
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SUPPORT
SERVICES



Crosslinks is one of many programs affiliated with LOFT Community Services.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

This program offers open-ended case management support to individuals so that they can live successfully in the community. Support is provided in the individual's own environment and is available Monday through Friday. The individual directs the nature and intensity of their support, which may include:

- ✓ Assessment of needs
- ✓ Goal development
 - ✓ Skills teaching
 - ✓ Advocacy
- ✓ Crisis Intervention
- ✓ Recovery Group
- ✓ Crisis Prevention

RESIDENTIAL

Crosslinks supports and/or owns supportive housing which people share co-operatively. Individuals wanting a supportive environment in which to learn or enhance skills may choose to apply to live in one of our homes. Residents work together to maintain the general upkeep of the house and rents are affordable. Staff provide individualized as well as group support.

HOUSING OUTREACH

The primary focus of this service is to assist the individual in finding suitable housing on a temporary or permanent basis. Support is provided in this transition. Referral to other services, including open ended community support, is an important function of the program. This service is only for those individuals with no other case management supports.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Through the general members association (GRA Fund) activities are planned on an annual basis, e.g. BBQ, picnic, Christmas luncheon etc.

CROSSLINKS STREET OUTREACH

A unique partnership between Crosslinks and York Region Health Services, reaching out to the homeless and street-involved. A van provided by the Region is equipped with food, clothing, and health information, including harm reduction practices - needle exchange and contraceptives.

The mobile numbers are:

*(905) 717-1033-Aurora/Richmond Hill
(905) 252-8933 - Newmarket/Sutton
(416) 274-4972-Markham/Woodbridge*

or contact Crosslinks directly.

CROSSLINKS HOMELESS INITIATIVE

This program is being developed to provide a continuum of supportive housing to those who are seriously mentally ill and homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. The continuum ranges from co-operative living to self-contained units with on-site support.