History of Organization:

Woolwich Community Services is an incorporated registered charity. It's governed by a volunteer Board of Directors and has been helping people throughout Woolwich Township and North Wellesley since 1974.

We wish to acknowledge with thanks the tremendous financial support and volunteer commitment from the local community, businesses, service clubs and churches.

We are also funded by:

Community Donations & Fundraising Province of Ontario Health Canada Regional Municipality of Waterloo United Way Township of Woolwich Foodbank of Waterloo Region Elmira Maple Syrup Festival Township of Wellesley

Our Services are free and confidential.



Volunteer opportunities always available call **519-669-5139** for info.

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We are a social service agency providing opportunities and resources for Individuals and Families, Children and Youth, and For All residents of Woolwich.

For Individuals and Families

Community Support Program

Offering individual referral and assistance to persons seeking support in personal, housing, financial, or other concerns.

Christmas Goodwill

Each year, volunteers shop, wrap and pack Christmas hampers for families of low-income in Woolwich Township and area. New toys, clothing, and food items are included in each hamper and are donated by churches, individuals, local businesses and the November Kiwanis Food Drive.

Family Violence Prevention Program

Offering individual and group support to victims of relationship violence, and referrals to other services as required. Our public educator provides information on family violence and healthy dating relationships to schools and community groups.

Food Bank

Food Hampers are available monthly at the office to help families for short-term or emergency need. Names and addresses are kept strictly confidential. If you need assistance, please call the office.

Income Tax Clinic

Trained Volunteers are available to complete simple income tax (filing) for persons with low income free of charge. The program begins March 1 to April 30 each year.

Low-German Family Support

Low-German speaking staff is available to support individuals/families in accessing programs and services. ESL classes for adults and preschool classes for children. **519-669-9323**

For Children and Youth

Backpack program

The program is designed to assist families of low-income who are in need of backpacks and school supplies for their children and youth. The program runs out of WCS Information Centre the week leading up to school.

Birthday Cupboard

Offers a place for parents of low-income who have children with upcoming birthdays to come and get a gift. Parents are also welcome to come in to choose a gift for upcoming birthday parties their children have been invited to.

Kids and I Resource Centre

Located at Birdland Plaza on Oriole Parkway in Elmira This Ontario Early Years site offers a drop-in program for parents/caregivers and children 0-5 yrs. old, a Toy Lending Library is also available.

Monday to Friday 9am to 12pm

519-669-3043

Lunch Crunch

The Lunch Crunch program provides families of low income with nutritious foods for children to take to school. The program runs out of the Woolwich Foodbank Mondays from 11am-12pm on a drop in basis.

Youth Centre

Located at the Woolwich Memorial Centre and available to all youth grade 6 to age 18. The Youth Centre provides a safe, supervised and fun environment for youth. For a monthly calendar with more information on organized activities and special events visit our website or like us on Facebook. Facility is available for party rentals too. 519-669-3539

For All

Community Information Centre

We have information available on a variety of community services. Information includes all levels of government services, health and social services, local activities and events. We will answer your questions or refer you to appropriate services.

Application forms and brochures

Forms for birth certificates, social insurance numbers, Canada Pensions, passports etc, are available. If you need assistance to fill them in or submit online, we would be glad to help. Please call for an appointment.

Transportation

Volunteer drivers are available to take individuals to medical appointments if they have no other means of transportation available to them. Please call at least 48 hours before your appointment.

Community Gardens

Garden plots are available for a minimal fee to those who wish to grow their own vegetables. The gardens are divided among the gardeners taking part that year, and each gardener plants and looks after their own garden plot.

Employment Services

If you are seeking employment or need to hire a job board is available. Computers are available for job searching on the internet, resume writing or updating. Free fax, email and photocopy services available. Conestoga Career Job Counselor is available weekly. Appointment is required; call **519-669-5139**

Mobility Loan Cupboard

Crutches, wheelchairs, canes and walkers are lent out for up to three months free of charge. Call the office first to check on availability.

Thrift Shop

Located at 5 Memorial Avenue in Elmira, the store offers quality used clothing and household articles at bargain prices. Store profits are used to support WCS activities, and donations are always appreciated. **519-669-1129.**