This June, we recognize the love, resilience, and dedication of the fathers! View in browser

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Don't Underestimate Us!

My name is Sarah, *and I am lucky to have a dad who has always believed in me.*

I may do some things differently, but that doesn't stop me from enjoying life, making people smile, and bringing something special to the world around me. I have dreams, talents, ideas, and a big heart — just like everyone else. I love to laugh, spend time with friends, try new things, and be part of my community.

Sometimes people see my disability before they see me. They may think I cannot do certain things or that I need help with everything.

But my dad never looks at me that way. He sees my smile, my personality, my sense of humour, and all the things I can do.

Growing up, Dad encouraged me to try new things, make friends, and be proud of who I am. When something was difficult, he didn't give up on me. He helped me learn, practice, and keep going. Because of him, I have learned that being different does not mean being less. He has taught me to believe in myself.

This Father's Day, I want to thank my dad for seeing my abilities before my challenges, for cheering me on, and for always being in my corner.

discover our mission







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Our focus now is on transforming this community movement into a real home and respite centre for those we serve. While we are not yet in a position to confirm specific opportunities, we are getting closer to sharing details about very promising possibilities that lie ahead. We are deeply grateful to everyone who understands that building a project of this scale takes time and who continues to support us every step of the way.

As we all enjoy the sunshine of July, be sure to mark your calendars for August. Towards the end of the month, stop by Victor Rose Espresso Bar in Pointe-Claire for the vernissage of a special collection of paintings created by Peter Hart in support of Maison WILOH. The event will coincide with the annual West Island Blues Festival, offering a wonderful opportunity to celebrate art, community, and the continued progress of our shared vision.

Spotlight on Our Volunteers



Some volunteers make a difference behind the scenes in ways that are impossible to overlook, and Barbara Colacci is certainly one of them.

As a group of parents leading a community project, many of us retirees and not always comfortable navigating social media and digital communications, Barbara's expertise has been invaluable. Her guidance has significantly strengthened our outreach efforts, helping Maison WILOH stay connected with our community while building awareness and credibility around our mission. Having Barbara lead our communications strategy has given us access to professional, thoughtful, and consistent content, allowing our team to focus on advancing the project itself.

Beyond her expertise, Barbara has been a genuine pleasure to work with. Her creativity, professionalism, and collaborative spirit have helped elevate Maison WILOH's visibility throughout the community. She has taken the time to understand not only our project, but also the sensitivity and importance of the families and individuals we serve. Her support has always felt authentic and aligned with the values that guide Maison WILOH. We are deeply grateful for her dedication and for the positive impact she continues to have on our organization.

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Ways to Get Involved This Summer

Share our mission
Help more families, caregivers, and community members learn about Maison WILOH.

Have your friends join our newsletter
Stay all informed about upcoming events, community updates, and ways to participate.

Explore our website
Discover more about our vision, mission, and the work being done to support inclusive housing.

Attend an upcoming gathering
Join meaningful conversations and connect with others who care

about the future of neurodivergent adults.

Become a partner or sponsor
Support Maison WILOH as we continue building awareness, community, and long-term opportunities

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SEE YOU IN AUGUST!

Our newsletter will be taking a short summer break in July and will resume in August.
We wish you a wonderful summer filled with rest, connection, and meaningful moments.

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Missed our May **newsletter** and updates?
You're not alone, but we've made it easy to catch up.

Our **previous editions are now available on our website**, offering insights into our mission, community highlights, and the conversations shaping inclusive housing for neurodivergent adults.

Take a moment to explore, revisit, and share the stories that continue to move Maison WILOH forward.

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