RESIDENTS ASKED TO SUPPORT HALTON WOMEN'S PLACE

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Metroland Media
Group West, which includes the Oakville Beaver, Burlington Post and Milton Canadian Champion newspapers, is asking residents to donate to a gift card drive in support of Halton Women's Place.

The local newspapers are once again collecting

gift cards for grocery stores, clothing stores, shopping malls, restaurants, etc., which will be distributed to women currently making use of the shelter's services and those who have used the shelter's services within the last year.

"Women who have left the shelter and are struggling through that first year on their own and trying to make ends meet, sometimes that's harder than we imagine," said Carm Bozzo, Halton Women's Place development manager.

"These gift cards let us help them throughout the year with grocery gift cards or a gift card that will cover school supplies for their kids if that's what they need.

"These gift cards let us

provide that support as they transition to a life free of violence."

At Christmas, Bozzo said the gift cards also let mothers shop for their children and get exactly what their kids want.

The Halton Women's Place provides shelter and crisis services for physically, emotionally, financially and sexually abused women and their depen-

dent children.

Anyone wishing to donate to the gift card campaign, can drop the cards off at the Metroland Media Group West office at 901 Guelph Line in Burlington during regular business hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Donations will be accepted until after business hours on Friday, Dec. 14.

For more information about Halton Women's Place visit http://halton-womensplace.com.



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The Darling Home for Kids provides respite, residential and palliative care services for children who are medically fragile and technology dependent, many of whom suffer from progressive illness.

It is our fundamental philosophy that all children be loved and valued, and given the opportunity to be challenged in an environment where they can thrive.

"The Darling Home for Kids takes care of our son as we would take care of him, and that is a comfort that you cannot imagine. It lets us recharge our batteries, ready to tackle another week and appreciate ourselves, our daughter and especially Graham."

Todd & Dawn, Graham's parents



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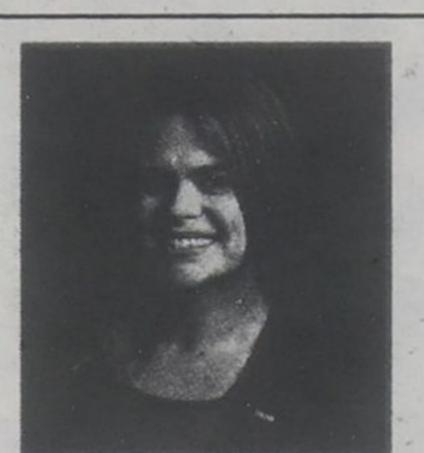


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