

EXTEND-A-FAMILY WATERLOO REGION COMMUNITY GROUPS

The purpose of the Community Groups is to support members to participate in community while encouraging them to make connections to places and people.

As groups begin connecting to places and people in community, the hope is that these groups will eventually meet together without paid support.

This is accomplished through:

- Community Connector facilitation to develop group norms and safety
- Developing relationships in community
- Becoming more confident and independent
- Leadership development



Are there any requirements?

- Person must be 18 years old and up
- Person is eligible for Passport Funding
- Participant does not need assistance in the area of personal care and one-to-one support



When do groups meet

- Groups meet on various days and times during the week. Typically, they meet on one day during the week for 4 hours.
- Groups receive 160 support hours per year from a Community Connector



How many participants?

- 3 people with similar schedules and interests are matched with one Community Connector



What is the cost of joining a group

The Annual Membership Fee is \$1500 per year and the Group operational fee of \$200/year, which helps to cover the Community Connectors expenses.



How can you cover the cost of the group?

Most individuals choose to use their passport funding to cover the cost of the group. However, individuals may pay out of pocket for these fees while they're waiting for passport funding.

*Interested?
Contact us*

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