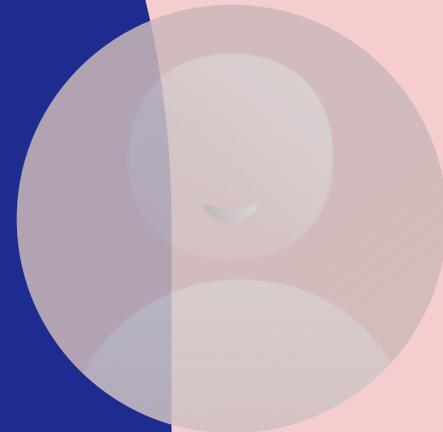


**FAMILIES AS
PARTNERS YEAR 3**

FEBRUARY 21, 2026



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21
1:00 – 4:00 PM

**MAKE A FREE CANDLE
CAREGIVER/PARENT**

**Your loved one will
participate in a different
activity, under guidance of
support staff**

Our Candles

Add some warmth into your home with our
candles.



**Create a beautiful
Candle under
guidance of
WeCandle Staff**

PARENT/CAREGIVER

Although February 21, 2026 was a very cold day, it was nice and warm inside 177 Dowty Road in Ajax. Our Free event included making a beautiful scented Candle under the guidance of Siobhan P. Who is the Lead for the WeCandle project. Joining her were two employees, Melissa C. and Miss Natasha. These lovely ladies explained the candlemaking process and we all took part in going through the steps to complete our task. What fun it was to go home with one of these beautiful candles!





OUR LOVED ONES

Meanwhile, in another part of the building a Rock n'Roll extravaganza was happening! There's nothing better than hearing the joyous voices of our adult kids; who were loving every minute of singing and playing instruments. Our sincere Thank you to our Support Staff, Kat and Bisola, for providing great care to our loved ones.

Musician Iain A. is the perfect example of a great teacher; where his love for music transfers and allows them to express themselves through voice and instruments. Parent, David Hamilton even went home to get his Alto Saxophone so he could play along with the group! What Fun!

Afterwards, we all got together in the kitchen area and enjoyed Pizza from Pizza Pino, and a tasty Caesar Salad. A perfect ending to a perfect day!

THANK YOU IAIN FOR SHARING YOUR LOVE OF MUSIC WITH US!



IMPORTANT P4P DATES

Free Online Webcasts | [BACK](#)



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Introduction to
the RDSP -
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Developmental Services Ontario

Welcome to the DSO Monthly Newsletter

Hello March! 🌱

Spring is right around the corner, and with March Break fast approaching, it's the perfect time to explore what your community has to offer. Discover local programs, information fairs, activities, and special events through:

- [MyCommunityHub](#)
- [211 Ontario](#)
- [Destination Ontario](#)
- Your local municipality

You can also visit the [DSO website](#) for additional resources.

As always, DSO is excited to share our latest lineup of webinars and workshops, all accessible from the comfort of your own home.



In Case You Missed It



Hiring a Support Worker

DSO Housing Navigators have created a new e-learning video module for you to explore at your own pace. The video "Hiring a Support Worker" explains the different types of support workers and how to decide which support worker is right for you or the person you're supporting. [View resource.](#)

March Events



Learn about Service Canada Programs and Benefits

Join DSO Housing Navigators as we welcome representatives from Service Canada for a free virtual presentation on:

- The Canadian Dental Care Plan.



Know Your Rights and Responsibilities As a Tenant

Join DSO Housing Navigators Alexandra Shannan and Martha Beach, as we welcome guest speaker John Done - Executive Director, Kingston Community Legal Clinic for a free virtual presentation.

This page offers a consolidated listing of downloadable awareness materials.

Please click links to download these DSO materials:



Important Informational Materials

- [DSO Brochure - What is DSO](#)
- [DSO Rack Card - How to connect with your area DSO](#)
- [DSO-Passport Program - a quick overview](#)
- [DSO and Passport Program - Who to Contact](#)
- [DSO Infographics - What DSO Does and Does Not Do \(all five graphics\)](#)
- [High School Transition Planning Pamphlet - Planning Transition for High School Students](#)
- [Youth Transition Pamphlet - Transitioning from childrens' to adult developmental services doesn't have to be difficult, plan early.](#)
- [Housing Navigation Pamphlet - Exploring Alternative Housing Supports with your Housing Navigator Youth Transition from Children's to Adult Services](#)
- [ODSP Brochure - If you receive ODSP, you may be eligible for Developmental Services](#)
- [Your Path to Support - Planning your future](#)



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