



Helen Cleary Stynes, Campaign Chair

I am deeply touched by the great care that each core member at Daybreak receives. People with intellectual disabilities are really loved and their talents, which lie hidden behind their disabilities, are nurtured in a special way. As Campaign Chair, it is my wish to spread the good news about L'Arche and Jean Vanier to everyone.

Helen Cleary Stynes, Ph.D., Professor of Chemistry
Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology



Jim Christie, Board President

When asked to join the board, my thought was that Daybreak offered a chance to be part of a community of people who live their values. I knew that L'Arche would offer me much more than I could ever give back. My hope is that the Daybreak community will be in a position to expand; this will allow more people to experience the life-affirming values of L'Arche.

Jim Christie, Wealth Consultant, BMO Harris Private Bank (retired)



Carl MacMillan, Executive Director

As L'Arche Daybreak matures, it is more important than ever that we find new ways to share the radiance of our community life with more people. The 'Signs of Hope' campaign will provide the resources for L'Arche Daybreak to welcome into our vocational programs more local people with intellectual disabilities still living with their families. Our unique Spirit Movers dance troupe can broaden its reach to inspire new audiences and our dynamic program of retreats for young people can grow to connect with thousands more teenagers each year. This is our vision of growth for the community we feel called to become.

Carl MacMillan, L'Arche Daybreak



Colette Halferty, Campaign Director

I have truly been transformed by the inspiration of Jean Vanier and the mission of L'Arche. We strive to give value to all people, with or without disability, through sharing daily life together in the spirit of community. I believe Daybreak's vision to offer support and opportunities to those who seek to be valued in our society is one that speaks to the fragility of all humanity, in that we all desire to belong.

Colette Halferty, L'Arche Daybreak

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The secret of L'Arche is relationship: meeting people, not through the filters of certitudes, ideologies, idealism or judgments, but heart to heart; listening to people with their pain, their joy, their hope, their history; listening to their hearts beat. – Jean Vanier, Founder of L'Arche