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Success Story

By Emily Beeforth, **Inclusion & Fundraising Coordinator**



Growing up, many children wonder who they are going to become when they are older - teacher, singer, actor, police officer, doctor, etc. For me, it was no different.

When I was 11, I joined the After School Program at Jersey Public School where some of my family were attending and volunteering. I remember it being a fun and safe environment where I could get help with homework and have fun with my friends. When I started high school, it was an easy choice to continue my time with Jericho and complete my volunteer hours.

The leadership and life skills I learned through my experience at Jericho gave me the confidence that I could do this for a career; work with kids, be that positive role model, and have a positive impact on my community. With this thought, I pursued a job opportunity with Jericho in 2007, and never left. I returned on my break from University and continued to grow in my roles.

Now I am part of the Senior Management Team as the Inclusion & Fundraising Coordinator, supporting our frontline staff. My experiences with Jericho has had a positive impact on my life.

Summer Fun

Help Us Send a Kid to Camp!

• We're excited to launch our "Send a Kid to Camp" fundraising campaign to support children attending the Jericho Ultimate Summer Camp 2025! Your generous donations will help cover the costs of field trips, program supplies, and free t-shirts, making their camp experience unforgettable.



How You Can Help:

- Donate: Every contribution counts! Visit jericho-youth-services | <u>CharityProfile | Donate Online</u> to make a difference.
- Share: Spread the word by sharing this post with your friends and family.
- Participate: Join us at our upcoming fundraising events and be part of the fun!
- Together, we can create amazing memories for these kids. Let's make this summer the best one yet!

Help Support Our Programs



🐘 Help Us Raise Money for our Jericho Youth Programs ! 🐁

- We're excited to have our White Elephant Garage Sale on Friday April 11th -Saturday April 12th. All funds raised will be going to our youth programs.
- You can find jewelry, housewares, tools, electronics, sports equipment, blankets, furniture, clothing items in good condition, toys, books, and more.

Growing Our Jericho Library



USBORNE BOOKS AT HOME CANADA

Operated by Riverwood Publishers Ltd.



🐘 Help Us Grow Our Jericho Library 🛛

Children love to read. Whether it is an activity, story, picture book, we see children reading every day at our programs. To foster this interest, we have joined Usborne Books At Home Canada.

How Does It Work?

Every order that is placed using our Jericho Youth Services Community Shopping Event link, helps Jericho grow our library of books that can be shared amongst our programs.

To help us grow our library, please shop using the following link: <u>Jericho Youth Services Community Shopping Event</u>



Back To School



🔚 Support Our "Back to School" Fundraising Campaign! 🦈

From July 1 to August 15, 2025, we're raising funds to support free after-school programs in Georgina starting this September. Your donations will help cover staffing, arts & crafts, sports and school supplies, and healthy snacks for the 2025-2026 school year.

How You Can Help:

- 1. Donate: Every contribution makes a difference! Visit jericho-youth-services | <u>CharityProfile | Donate Online</u> to support our cause.
- 2. Share: Spread the word by sharing this post with your network.
- 3. Join Us: Participate in our upcoming fundraising events and be part of the community effort.

Together, we can provide a safe, enriching, and fun environment for our kids after school. Let's make this school year the best one yet! ()

Programs In Action

Deer Park After School Program

Deer Park After School Program is one of our 4 free recreation based After School Programs in Georgina, and one of our longest standing programs.

The staff always have something fun planned for the participants. Whether this be a cool science experiment, handsy craft or even a walk in the nearby forest - there is an activity for everyone.



Programs In Action

Deer Park Licensed Child Care

Our Licensed Child Care Before and After School Care program at Deer Park Public School provides a Ministry of Education licensed and quality care for children ages 4 to 6. They follow <u>How Does Learning Happen?</u>, Ontario's Pedagogy for Early Learning. We provide breakfast and afternoon snacks, outdoor and indoor play, arts and crafts, science, community building, health and wellness, literacy activities, and child-led play.

Our educators are trained, and experienced individuals, led by supervisors who are members in good standing with the College of Early Childhood Educators. Each of our staff are trained in First Aid and CPR, <u>High-Five Principles of Healthy</u> <u>Child Development</u>, and participate in ongoing professional development through Jericho Youth Services and external trainers. Thanks to <u>CWELCC</u> the rate is \$12/day for B&A Care and \$22/day for day camps. If you are interested in signing your child up, please contact our child care coordinator

deborah.defoe@jerichoys.org or fill out an application here:



Application | Jericho Youth Services

Local Ideas and Activities for Everyone

- Look for inexpensive activities like crafts, baking, time in nature, hiking trails
- Set up a playdate with your child(ren)'s friends
- Try something new each week (new food, new activity)
- Looking for different activities to do on your own or with your family? Scan the QR Code to see the events calendar through Georgina Public Library.



What Our Families Are Saying

- "Having my child in the after school program allows me to not worry about the care he is receiving and I know he is safe and comfortable there." - Keswick Parent
- "I'm so thankful you are there for the kids and families who need someone to be there for our kids. This is a positive program kids look up to and want to be when they get older :)" - Black River Parent
- "I'm a full time single parent. I would not be able to work full time without the program." Deer Park Parent
- "It's a safe place where I never have to worry. I think you do a great job! Hoping I can always get my child in " - Morning Glory Parent

Join Our Team - Volunteers



Need to complete your High School Community Hours?

Call us at 905-722-5540 or send us an email at info@jerichoys.org

Looking forward to your help!

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WE NEED HELP WITH:

- After School Programs
- Summer Camp July-August
- Special Events/Fundraising



Join Our Team - Employees



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Thank You

Jericho Youth Services would not be possible without the support of our funders and community partners. We know that without these partnerships we would not be able to continue working toward our mission to develop and empower our youth to become engaged and caring citizens in their community. Thank you!





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