

# Focus on...

## Langs Farm Village Association

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### Langs celebrates 30 years of People, Partners and Purpose



Langs Farm Village Association (LFVA) began in 1978 and became the first neighbourhood organization of its type in the Cambridge community. It was established by a group of citizens concerned about vandalism and the lack of accessible services in the community. These individuals believed that the establishment of a community-based organization would play a preventative role in the neighbourhood. Today, the organization is often considered a model for other groups and currently operates the following components of services:

- Community Health Centre (CHC)
- North Dumfries Satellite CHC
- Family Resource Centre (Early Years Program)
- The Resource Centre
- Youth & Teen Community Centre

The organization offered 91 different programs in 2007/08, served 8,133 participants. 226 different volunteers contributed more than 8,955 volunteer hours. Langs Farm partners with 65 local organizations and 10 agencies currently provide partnership services on-site.

#### Anniversary Milestones:

- Langs become the first neighbourhood group to become a United Way partner agency in 1988
- City Council adopts policy to provide stable funding for neighbourhood groups after community residents' pack Council Chambers in 1990.
- The Youth and Teen Centre moves to its new home at 581-E Langs Dr. in 1992.
- Langs receives approval for Community

Health Centre (CHC) on February 14, 1995. The CHC and main office opened at 887 Langs Drive in 1996.

- In 2000, 7th Inning Education Program begins in partnership with the Waterloo District School Board.
- Langs has successfully been accredited in an organization for three out of three reviews.
- North Dumfries Community Health Centre satellite funded in 2004.
- Langs was honoured to be selected as one of 18 finalists from a group of more than 400 nominees for LHIN Expo Award for our Retired, Ready and Roving Program.



LHIN Expo

- Langs Catholic Family Counselling and Family and Children's Services of Waterloo Region co-located with us in 2007.
- Langs purchased a new 20 passenger bus



for the organization including major sponsors such as Rogers, The RBC Foundation and Waterloo Regional Police.

- Langs purchased land in the community and plan to build a community centre on this land in the next five years.

Thanks to our funding partners, the Waterloo-Wellington Local Health Integration Network, the City of Cambridge, the Region of Waterloo, United Way of Cambridge and North Dumfries,



Langs Mini-Bus

the Cambridge and North Dumfries Community Foundation, RBC Foundation, Lyle Hallman Foundation, Preston Mennonite Church and the Ministry of Children and Youth among many others who have made our work possible this year and throughout our history. We are also fortunate to have a dedicated staff team at Langs and we are very proud of the tremendous energy, commitment and spirit of service they bring to our organization.

We would like to express our appreciation to the many individuals, groups and families in the Cambridge community have reached out and supported our efforts for the past thirty years. We would like to thank SNAP Cambridge for always being on hand to profile many of our organization's accomplishments.

#### 30th Anniversary Book – Request for Stories

We are pleased to announce that will be capturing the stories of our community members and our organizational milestones in a book. If you would like to share a story about Langs Farm Village Association, please visit [www.langs.org](http://www.langs.org) to send us your idea.



### Langs Farm Village would like to thank the sponsors below for their continued support.

The Alliance for Children and Youth of Waterloo Region congratulates Langs Farm Village Association for 30 years of service in the Cambridge community.

The Cambridge Chamber of Commerce congratulates Langs Farm Village Association for 30 years of service

### CONGRATULATIONS

FROM CAMBRIDGE NEIGHBOURHOOD ORGANIZATIONS

Congratulations on celebrating 30 years in the Cambridge Community!

- Alison Neighbourhood Community Centre
- Christopher Champlain Community Centre
- Fiddlesticks Neighbourhood Association
- Greenway Chaplin Community Centre
- Popcorn House
- Preston Heights Community Centre
- Southwood Community Centre

*"Congratulations Langs Farm Village Association for 30 years of service"*

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