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# RESIDENCE & ACTIVITIES CENTER

#### Participation House, Markham

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## SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Cedarcrest Manor 20 Water Street, Suite 225, Markham, ON L3P 7P7

Cliffwood Manor Outreach 4000 Don Mills Road, Willowdale, ON M2H 3N2

Hagerman Corners 4460 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 205, Markham, Ontario L3R 1H1

**St. Luke's Lodge** 49 Green Lane, Suite 205, Thornhill, ON L3T 7M9

**Tony Wong Place** 25 Deverill Court, Suite 106 Markham, ON L6G 0C7

### GROUP HOMES

**FARINTOSH HOUSE** 7811 Kennedy Road, Markham, ON L3R 2C8

**HENDERSON HOUSE** 113 Henderson Ave, Thornhill, ON L3T 2L3 August 20, 2013

Mr. Don Taylor, Manager Executive Operations Office of the Chief Administrative Officer City of Markham 101 Town Centre Boulevard, Markham, ON L3R 9W3

Dear Mr. Taylor:

I want to thank you very much for your visit last Friday and please thank Andy Taylor, CAO and Deputy Mayor Jack Health for attending with you. I know you enjoyed your tour of our grounds at 9 Butternut Lane at Participation House, Markham Main Residence. We always take the opportunity to show how proud we are of the services we provide and our great environment.

As Nancy Diltz, Director of Finance and Operations, outlines for you, there were 27 deciduous trees and 61 coniferous trees planted in the summer of 2010 when this major project was underway. In addition, 1318 m2 of topsoil and sod, 2031 m2 of eco-lawn and 1620 m2 of mulch was put down on our grounds creating the berms. The importance of the berms cannot be understated as this is the solution to the sound attenuation problem that we were faced with when the 9th Line expansion project moved within 25 feet of the bedroom windows of our residents who are physically and developmentally delayed. We are very pleased with the success of this project which has reduced noise pollution problems around the grounds and we are pleased to have this peaceful atmosphere around the gardens.

As you know there have been numerous conversations regarding the expectation that the Region of York, the City of Markham and Participation House, Markham share in the cost of the Landscaping project. The Region of York issued their cheque for \$36,511 in 2011 and we hope that the City will be able to follow suit on your contribution.

We thank the many people at the City, including Mayor Frank Scarpitti, who have continued to support our agency and have never lost sight of the importance of this project and have always been very open when we have brought this topic to their attention.

I will conclude by thanking you on behalf of Phil Garment, Chairman of the Board and Garry Lander, Chairman of Fundraising and look forward to a favorable response and conclusion o the City of Markham's contribution to the Landscaping project.

Yours Sincerely,

Cerebral Palsy Parent Council of Toronto is a registered charity operating at Participation House, Markham. Business # 11884 8738 RR0001

Frances Di Carlo