Kawartha Lakes Classic Cycling Tour

Hello Friends and Family,

I am not one that feels comfortable to ask for support for fundraising events I participate in. But this year I want to do so as I see the extra need for it at **A Place Called Home** **(APCH),** the homeless shelter in Lindsay. At this point, most of the usual fundraising events have been put on hold and the funding is needed more than ever.

The Kawartha Lakes Classic Cycling Tour is again being held in a modified format to comply with COVID-19 restrictions. So instead of participating as I usually do, this year, I will be doing my own ride to help raise much needed funds.

**APCH** is a charitable, non-profit organization that has been providing 24/7 support services to the homeless, and those at risk of becoming homeless, for 25 years in the City of Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton County. **APCH** operates a 19-bed emergency shelter for youths, adults, couples and families providing shelter along with meals, laundry facilities and the counselling needed to find permanent solutions to their challenges.

Currently, in order to meet COVID-19 requirements, the shelter residents are staying in motels. In order to rebuild the shelter with physically separate bedrooms, as well as create an accessible shelter and create five new affordable transitional/supportive rental units, APCH is moving forward with the redevelopment of its own site at 64 Lindsay Street South. APCH has already secured major capital funding from the provincial government and the City of Kawartha Lakes. Further capital fundraising is needed and APCH has embarked on a substantial campaign to raise $1.5 million.

The proceeds raised from this event help the most vulnerable people in our community, and over the past 17 years, the Kawartha Lakes Classic has raised significant funds.

If you are able, please follow this link to connect to my fundraising page and help to make a difference by sponsoring me.

Thank you so very much!