



virtual workshop series

CREATING YOUR INDIVIDUALIZED HOUSING & SUPPORT PLAN

BY DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES ONTARIO

ABOUT THIS PROJECT

To complement the Developmental Services Ontario (DSO) [Housing Toolkit](#), DSO Housing Navigators created a workshop series for people with developmental disabilities and those supporting them.

The objective of the workshops is to assist participants in the process of creating individualized housing and support plans.



HOW IT WORKS

The workshop series helps participants to envision what a life of independence looks like; determine their skills and strengths and explore how technology can fill any gaps.

Participants then examine the resources a person has and what they will need to acquire to create and implement a plan that is sustainable, yet flexible, so as to adjust with the changing needs of the person.

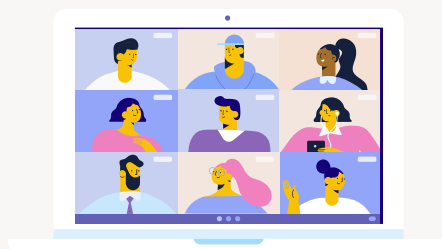
Through the completion of the budget spreadsheet, participants can then experiment with different scenarios to see if an idea is worth trying, and to help determine where there may be opportunities to increase independence and reduce costs.



RESULTS

The workshop provides tools and resources aimed at supporting the creation of truly individualized housing plans and a defensible budget. By identifying and obtaining housing and supports that truly meet the person where they are at, the program aims to create long-term satisfaction and sustainability.

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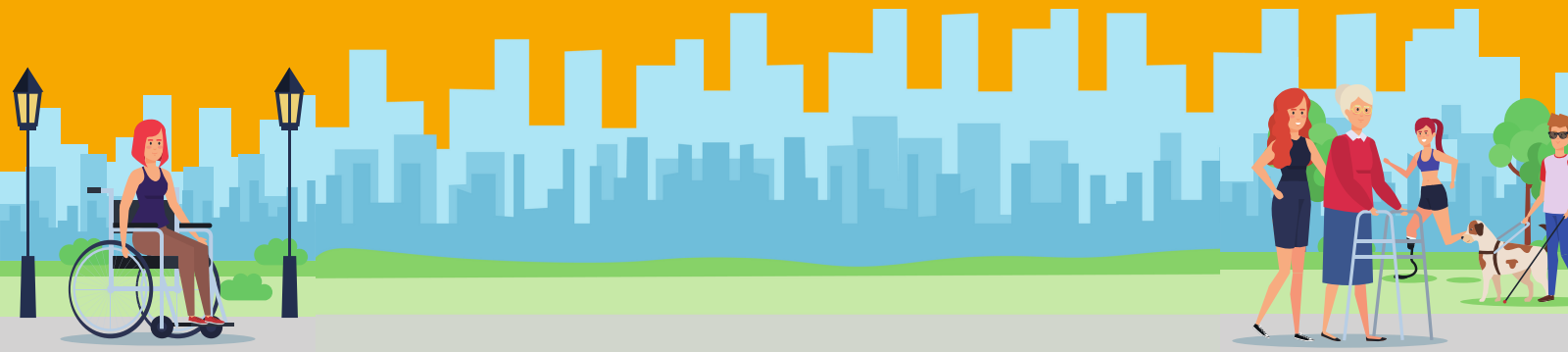
+600 PEOPLE
have participated in the series

Due to demand, workshops will continue to be offered on a regular basis.

CREATING MORE INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES

Although this series was developed for people with developmental disabilities, much of the content is relevant to anyone who requires support to live independently with success. The workshop lays the groundwork for innovative thinking, and encourages people to take more control over their future by exploring and accessing resources from multiple sectors.

There is a growing need to focus on creating more inclusive communities. The more people explore their housing options, the greater the awareness of the housing needs of people with a developmental disability.



ABOUT DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES ONTARIO

Developmental Services Ontario (DSO) is the access point for adult developmental services funded by the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (MCCSS) in Ontario.

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