

We are a Canadian registered charity with a volunteer-based Board of Directors that is legally responsible for the governance of our organization. Within that mandate, our board develops, implements, and monitors policies that allow our organization to carry out its work.

Board members are also the fiduciaries who steer an organization towards a sustainable future by adopting sound, ethical, legal governance, and financial management policies, as well as by making sure their nonprofit has adequate resources to advance its mission.

We are fortunate to have so many skilled and caring individuals who serve as our Board Members. This month we will feature **Board Member**, **Debbie Anderson**.

Debbie Anderson has spent her working career in the Health Care sector. She has worked in managerial



positions with agencies that support those dealing with housing insecurity, stroke recovery, post-polio recovery, and supervision of Personal Support Workers. She has also volunteered with an agency that supports and counsels those dealing with eating disorders. Debbie has a Master of Social Work and a Master of Business Administration with a focus in Health Management, along with being a trained instructor for Crisis Intervention. Debbie has implemented supportive housing programs for adults with disabilities, and a congregate program for the medically fragile. She has honed her skills in staff education, palliative care and counselling throughout her professional life.

Debbie lives in the City of Peterborough but grew up in a small farming community in Western Ontario.

"This is where I learned the values of looking after others, helping neighbours and extended family," said Debbie. "It is what led me to my choice of a career path."

So why is someone who has spent their working life in the Health Care Sector also interested in being a volunteer Board Member at Community Care?

"I was most interested in Community Care Peterborough as I had just retired from my management position at Neighbourhood Group in Toronto, and like that agency, Community Care provides personal care, Meals on Wheels, supporting housing and other services that I think are important in every community."

Debbie Anderson's experience with supporting people in other health-related agencies makes her an excellent addition to Community Care Peterborough's Board Members. Debbie's work and volunteer time give her an understanding of the importance of building up the programs and services and supporting clients to help them live independently in their own homes.

For more information about the governance of Community Care Peterborough please visit https://www.commcareptbo.org/about%20us/Board%20Members.