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To: Greg Goulin

With my role as the Mental Health Support Officer at the LaSalle Police Service, I have had to make many referrals to the Windsor Residence for Young Men (WRYM) for families looking for assistance dealing with their young adult sons. Many times these men have conflict and anger issues with their family members and are at risk of living on the streets alone. Your agency has a wonderful program to support these men from being homeless by providing them the necessary life skills training that they desperately require. With the assistance of staff to teach them about budgeting, social responsibility, hygiene, good work ethic, meal preparation and provided after care treatment when they leave, this helps on their road to success. I believe your life skills training program is very critical, since many of the young men I see in our community are suffering from mental health issues and don't have the supports or unsure of where to find services. By having your agency provide them counselling with a psychiatrist and/or psychologist this reduces wait times by getting them started on a treatment program sooner with community agencies. WRYM has been doing an excellent job by trying to keep the young men enrolled in school, helping them obtain alternative housing and assisting in employment opportunities.

All of these life skills are very valuable for the future of these young men on a road to success. Keep up the excellent work, because LaSalle Police Service supports your agency and all the great work your staff are providing.

Sincerely,

Erena Pesin