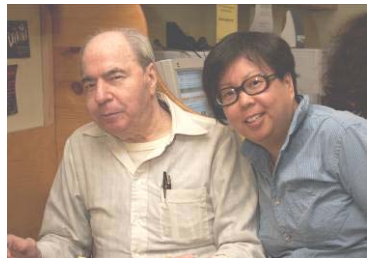


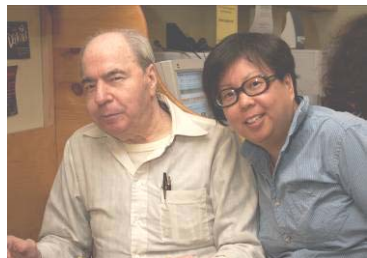
Recovery at Houselink

Our Journey



Houselink Community Homes

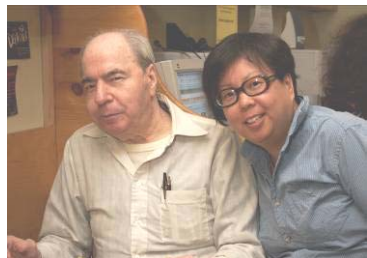
- Celebrating 30 years of operations
- Second largest mental health supportive housing provider in Ontario
- Doubled in size since 2000
- Currently provides housing to over 400 members including families
- Strong commitment to community development, member empowerment and involvement from our inception



Organizational Philosophy

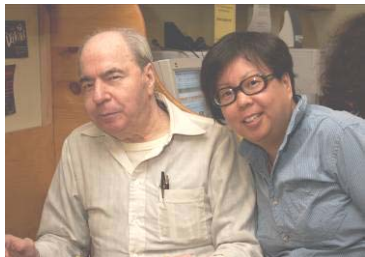
(Source: Burman, modified by Ward and Tremblay)

Agency Type	Moralistic Charity Giving	Bureaucratic Subsidizing	Needs Responding	Community Development	Anti-Poverty Activation
Client Roles	Self-revealing dependent	Self-revealing with legal rights	Person(s) in need of help, space, structure	Community participant	Citizen activist



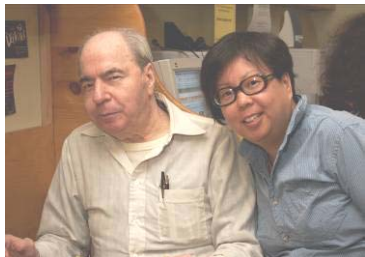
Houselink Programs

- Peer-driven
- Accessible
- Sensitive to the complex health needs of our members



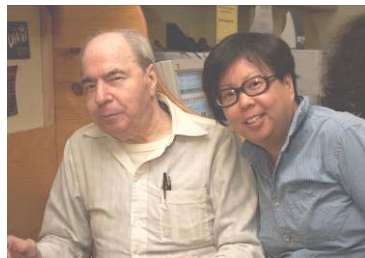
Houselink Programs

- Food Program
- Social Recreation
- Community Engagement
- Families Moving Forward
- Bursary Fund
- Employment Support Program
- Theatre Project



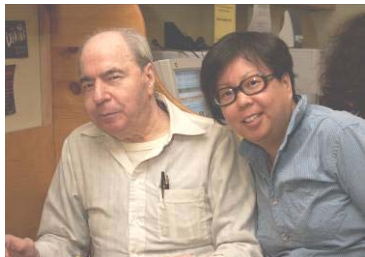
Defining Recovery

1. Internal conditions experienced by people who describe themselves as being “in recovery” – hope, healing, empowerment and connections.
2. External conditions that facilitate recovery – implementation of human rights, a positive culture of healing and recovery oriented services.



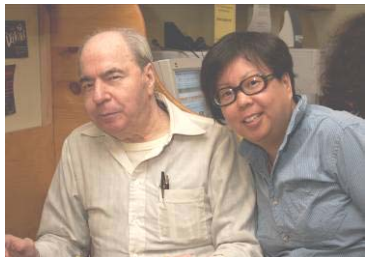
Initial Steps

- Organizational Readiness
- Leadership
- Grass Roots
- Developing The Plan



Staff Development

- Outreach to Staff
- Recovery Training
- Developing Tools
 - Recovery Checklist
 - Support Manual
 - Decision Making Chart



Member Development

- Outreach to Members
- Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP)
- Peer Support Training
- Conference Opportunities



Keeping Recovery Alive

- Wellness Recovery Worker
- Recovery Alumni Group
- Peer Support Group



Critical Issues

- Psychiatric Anti-Discrimination
- Recognizing and Developing the Potential of Members
- Outstanding Issues
 - Family/Support Person Involvement
 - Developing Formal Board Policy
 - Developing Organizational Capacity
 - Evaluation Research

