



the Harvester

A Harvest House Newsletter | Summer 2022

Andrew's Story: Towards a Bright Future!

Before coming to Harvest House, Andrew was facing 3-5 years in the penitentiary. His drug addiction got to the point where he knew he needed to change. He came to Harvest House in June 2019 at 19 years old.

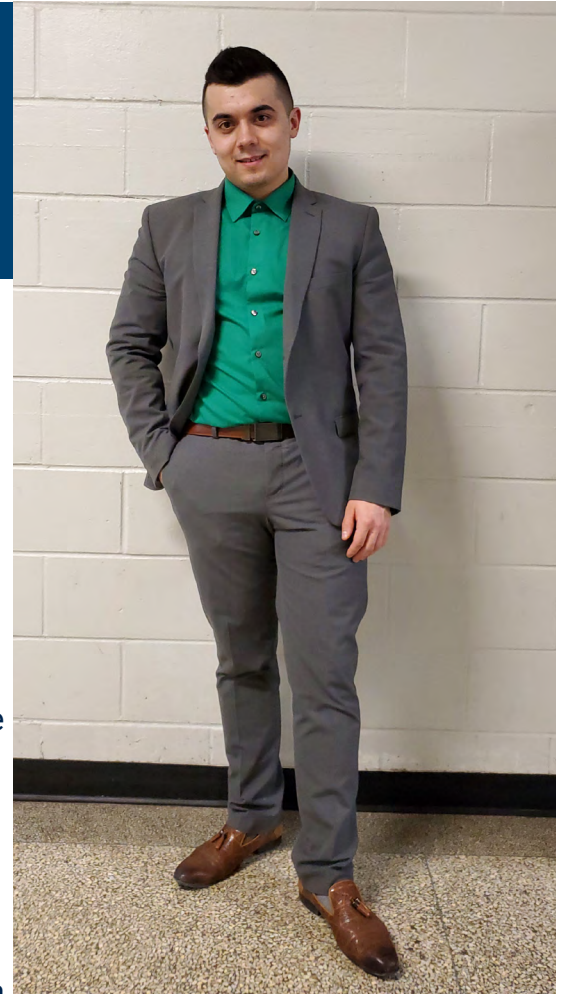
"I had lost my way in life and felt as if my life had no value," Andrew said.

When he first came to Harvest House, he did not take anything seriously and looked for the easy way out. After a few months he realised that he was lucky to be in treatment and that he was, in fact, an addict. He learned that overcoming his addiction would be an everyday struggle for the rest of his life, but he was hopeful.

Andrew graduated from the one-year program at 20 years old and now after three years at Harvest House, he is currently a part-time staff member working with the administrative team as the inventory clerk.

In November 2021, Andrew passed his General Education Diploma (GED) exam and earned his high school equivalency! In May 2022, he applied and was accepted to Carleton University for psychology.

Today, Andrew's future looks bright, and he is working hard towards his goals.



Andrew says, "If you were to ask me three years ago if I thought all of this were possible, I'd think you were crazy. But it's possible. One day at a time."

HARVEST HOUSE MINISTRIES OF OTTAWA-CARLETON MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Harvest House Ministries is to rehabilitate young men who are chemically dependent, to instill in them self-discipline, and to reintegrate them into society by an inner change brought about by faith in Jesus Christ.



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2. White cedar planter;
3. Portable washer toss game



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New Harvest House GED Graduates!

In Summer 2021, we re-booted our General Education Diploma (GED) program. Exams had been post-poned due to COVID-19.

With the help of volunteer teachers, Harvest House residents spent four months preparing to write the GED exam.

They wrote the exam at Harvest House in November 2021.

We're pleased to announce that five more Harvest House residents have successfully passed the GED exam and earned their high school equivalency!

Andrew (whose story is on the front page) is one of these five GED graduates. Completing the GED is the first step on his path to higher education.

"When I got the letter saying I passed my GED, I felt accomplished. I never thought I would get my high school education before I came here. When I passed my GED, it showed me that I'm capable. Now that I have it, I'm on to my next journey - a university degree." - Andrew



Thank YOU for helping to make GED graduations possible!!

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ANNOUNCING: 35th Annual Recovery Cup Softball Tournament

The Recovery Cup is back in full swing this year!

On August 20, 2022, we will meet at Centennial Park in Manotick for a day of friendly competition, family BBQ, and (hopefully) sunshine!

- Tickets = \$25 (includes a \$25 charitable tax receipt and an entry in our draw)
- GRAND PRIZE: Adirondack set (\$1,200 value)

To purchase your tickets and learn more, visit:
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- RCMP
- Ottawa Police Service - East
- Coastguard

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