

June 21, 2011

**Ronald Berresford, B.A., F.I.I.C., M.B.A., (Behav.Sc.) M.Div.(Ed). C.P.C.
Homeless, Prison, PTSD Recovery Ministries
Registered with the Charities Directorate
Canada Revenue Agency, 86549 1898
Charter Member of Canadian Evangelical Christian Churches Canada**

Mandate: to alleviate suffering of the most marginalized in our society including, the homeless, the mentally ill, the addicted, and those recently released from jail. Our work involves providing direct support and the development of programs to end homelessness. Our most recent project is the proposal submitted to the Federal and Provincial Governments for the development of a world class institute for post traumatic stress.

Ron Berresford did street work in Barrie for ten years and eight years in jails including four and a half years from the opening of the "Super Jail" in Penetang. During the previous fifteen years he worked in addictions and the rehabilitation of injured workers.

Since 2003, Ron has met with U.S. prison workers and visited Scotland, England and Finland to see the results of their programs for the homeless. He provides information and recommendations to the Federal Provincial, and Municipal elected officials. In September 2006 he was invited to attend the first European Union Summit on Housing Rights, being the sole representative from this side of the ocean. In October 2006 he was appointed National Director of Homeless and Prison Ministries of the Canadian Evangelical Christian Church in Canada. This was a 3 year appointment which was extended to Dec. 1st 2010. *During the past five years he has been focusing on national programs as listed herein.*

Ron Berresford is the author and co-author of a number of programs and articles and for three years was Chair of the Advisory Council on Mental Health and Addictions of the Royal Victoria Hospital in Barrie. He is currently working on projects in Barrie, Halton Region, Newmarket/Aurora and York Region.

References will be provided on request. raberresford@sympatico.ca 905-691-1880 (c) 905-864-8144 (h)

Ron Berresford Previous Directorships

Co-chair Reorganization of the Industrial Accident Prevention Association

Board of MGT - I.A.P.A.

Rehabilitation Committee - Ontario Medical Association

Special Advisor to Steve Stavro:owner Knob Hill Farms Limited,

Maple Leaf Hockey Team

Executive Committee - Canadian Grocery Council

Ontario Blue Box Implementation Committee

Retail Council of Canada (VRS)

Milton Affordable Housing Committee

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS BY RON BERRESFORD

Comments on Canadian Military and Veterans Chair in Clinical Rehabilitation University of Alberta June 2011

.Participant – Human Dignity For All, working for a poverty free Ontario. Social Planning Network Of Ontario, Aurora York Region June 7 2011.

Member of advisory group “My Place Chez Nous” NGO offices, residences May 2011 – ongoing.

Advice given to North American Wounded Soldiers Advisory Committee. May 2011 – ongoing.

Nominated by various professionals and politicians to be involved in the implementation of the recommendations of the report of the Federal Parliament House of Commons Committee on the reduction of poverty. April, May 2011.

Participant – presentation of report on the Interfaith Social Assistance Reform Coalition (ISARC) York Region Municipal Office April 20 2011.

Executive Summary on the need for a Central Institute for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Presentation to the chairs of Veterans Affairs Committees for The House of Commons and the Senate, (with Luana Wood) Sept 2010.

Work with the Homeless and those in Prison - Presentation at Victory Baptist Church, Newmarket June 2010.

Reflection Session-Halton Social Audit participant re: poverty, April 2010.

Gary Carr- Halton Regional Chair. Invited to advise on affordable housing in March 2010.

Wilberforce Conference on Euthanasia-Participant/contributor, November 2009.

York Region Food Network-Presentation on successful campaign with Ontario MPP's July15, 2009

Federal Parliamentary Committee on Reducing Poverty June 1, 2009 invited to make a presentation as a witness.

National Strategy for Housing and Homelessness. Commentary on Implementation of Proposal of Federation of Canadian Municipalities, (Jan 23, 2008) February 2008

Invited Participant and contributor to final report of the Ontario Bar Association's "Justice Stakeholder Summit": "Getting it Right", June 2007, report released June 2008.

National Strategy for Homelessness - Annual Meeting General Conference of Evangelical Christian Church, October 2006

Strategy for Success Simcoe County Alliance to End Homelessness, May 2006.

Review of Successful Program on Homelessness in England and Scotland (1998-2005) December 2005.

A Taste of Life: A Guideline to Street Ministry March 31, 2005.

Rev. Ron Ministers to Street People (A Profile by Newspaper) Barrie Advance, May 2003.

Rehab Myopia Canadian Insurance Magazine, March 1997

Disability Syndrome Canadian Insurance Magazine, 1993

Retail Industry in Ontario Accident Data 1985-1990 Analysis and Recommendations Co-authored with John Lefebvre 1991.

Modified Work - Early Intervention Canadian Manufacturers Association Conference 1990.

Modified Work Guidelines (A manual co-authored with John Farmery and Don Mitchell) 1989

Modified Work - Communication with Doctors Corpus National Conference, 1989.

Retail Council of Canada Presentation to the Ontario Task Force on Rehabilitation (with Bob Herold) 1987.

Modified Work: The Key to Successful Early Intervention, Industrial Accident Prevention Association-Annual Conference, 1987.