



Kindale Developmental Association

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Dear Jason;

Thank you for supporting the Kindale 'We R Family' – Building Stronger Community' campaign! Your generosity is helping to make a fantastic difference in the lives of some of the most valuable and vulnerable members of our community.

We are pleased to report that many individuals like you have donated and, to date, over \$65,500 has been raised. This has been great however we still have a ways to go to reach our goal by March 31, 2011. We hope that you will consider another donation that will help us reach our goal. Please remember that *all* the funds raised are used to enrich the lives of people with disabilities and *no* donations will be used for administration costs.



James in front of his new apartment

Donations will be directly helping people like James who has been part of the Kindale family since the beginning. James was one of the first students in the school that started in 1959 and participated in the first adult workshop that opened as Kindale began to expand into adult services.

James first made a name for himself as an outstanding track and field athlete. After competing at local and provincial track meets he was invited to the Canadian Special Olympics in Toronto when he was just 18. He participated in high jump and the 50 yard dash but triumphed in swimming where he won a gold medal in breaststroke – something he is very proud of.

Having experienced first hand the benefits that involvement in sports provides, James shifted his focus from competition to coaching and helped train other kids with disabilities in running - encouraging them to be the best they could be.

James has always been fiercely independent and, with ongoing support from Kindale staff, began living on his own once he turned 18. This has not always been easy - especially since the modest disability pension he relies on has often forced him to live in mediocre places. James was thrilled to

be selected as a tenant in the new 'Under One Roof' townhouse complex in Vernon, which was completed in February 2010.

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