

\$85,400 OTF Capital Grant to Enhance Community Services

Hamilton, ON – On Friday, local MPP Monica Ciriello met with the team at Banyan Community Services to celebrate an \$85,400 Capital grant they received from the provincial government’s Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) to replace the roof at their St. Martin’s Manor location on Mohawk Road.

"I'm proud to congratulate Banyan Community Services on the improvements at Saint Martin's Manor, supported by an Ontario Trillium Foundation grant," said Monica Ciriello, MPP for Hamilton Mountain. "This investment ensures Hamilton families can continue to rely on high-quality, compassionate supports. The Ontario government is strengthening communities by investing in the non-profit infrastructure that helps build a stronger, more resilient Hamilton."

Banyan’s programs delivered at The Manor provide essential services such as clinical, psychiatric, medical, educational, and emotional support for low-income families, youth, and adults involved with the justice system, as well as individuals with developmental and mental health needs in the Hamilton community. This grant is a transformative step in ensuring the longevity of The Manor and Banyan’s programs that empower individuals to build independence, resilience, and a sense of community.

"We are deeply grateful to the Ontario Trillium Foundation for their generous support," said Kim Ciavarella, Banyan’s CEO. "By addressing critical infrastructure needs, we can continue to provide a safe and welcoming environment for our clients and staff, ensuring that our programs remain a beacon of hope and opportunity for the Hamilton community."

Banyan is a not-for-profit organization that has provided quality services to the youth justice, children’s, and senior’s community support sectors since 1978. Banyan is committed to improving the mental, physical, and social well-being of at-risk populations in our service areas of Hamilton, Niagara, Brant, Haldimand, Norfolk, and Wellington.

The Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) is an agency of the Ontario government with a mission to build healthy and vibrant communities across the province. Last year, OTF invested nearly \$105M into 732 community projects and multi-sector partnerships. Projects aim to enhance economic well-being, foster more active lifestyles, support child and youth development, provide spaces for people to come together and connect, and create a more sustainable environment. Visit otf.ca to learn more.

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