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Dear To Whom it May Concern

I would like to take this time to introduce myself and an exciting program that will be starting in March 2018. My name is Lorne Rudnick and I am the founder of Ruddy's Place. Ruddy's Place is for young adults with developmental disabilities.

At Ruddy's Place we will be focusing on helping young adults learn independent living and life skills. Some of these skills include but are not limited to financial management, cooking and meal prep, transportation, shopping, organizational skills and community safety. My programs will be developed based on client's interests, strengths and utilizing Applied Behavioral Analysis. At Ruddy's Place our goal is to help these young adults be as independent and active in the community as possible.

Ruddy's Place will offer a job readiness program. This program will include learning foundational skills about obtaining and working in various job environments that the participant is interested in. Participants will be taught how to write a resume, interview skills, and social skills appropriate in a work environment. From there, we will pair the participant up with an employer as well as a mentor from Ruddy's Place to support the individual in developing independence and success within the job.

Ruddy's Place will operate from a working and livable home which will help participants apply the skills they learn at Ruddy's Place to their home. Ruddy's Place will be located in Central York Region that is central to malls, community centres, movie theatres and many employment opportunities.

Ruddy's Place offers ongoing programming based on building upon individual goals and needs. Program fee's are competitive within other relatable programs. We would be happy to discuss your client's specific needs and how we can best support them and their goals.

At Ruddy's Place we believe that everyone has the potential to succeed in achieving their goals and be an active and contributing member of their community. We strive to make our programs tailored to each person. Ruddy's Place is inclusive, safe, a place to build and grow friendships and confidence. We want to make learning fun and memorable.

I have a background in Behavioral Science at Seneca College and over five years of work experience in creating recreational and educational programs for all ages and abilities. I have experience working with people with developmental disabilities ranging from but not limited to ADHD, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Downs Syndrome. I am passionate and dedicated in supporting young adults achieve their goals.

Please contact me with any questions so we can discuss how Ruddy's Place can support your young adult client's needs.

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