

CLC-K Presents the 5th Annual Jonathan Daniel Stone Fund Awards Community Living Chatham-Kent is pleased to announce the recipients of the Jonathan Daniel Stone Fund. Each recipient received a \$1,500.00 award to assist with the achievement of their initiative.

The awards were presented on Thursday, December 13 at Community Living Chatham-Kent.



The first Jonathan Daniel Stone Fund Award was presented to David Russel. David is a 13-year-old young man who uses an iPad regularly at school. However, when he comes home, he has to leave it at school. David is also a non-reader. So, he truly enjoys using the reading apps, and they benefit him immensely. David currently has stories read to him through these apps and they require him to scribe his responses to questions. Having the iPad at home will help with many aspects of life including daily reminders, and continuing his academic development.

The second grant was awarded to Elyse. One of her favourite activities is jumping on trampoline and takes every opportunity she can to play on them. During Autism Ontario family events, which they attend whenever possible and she always gravitates towards this activity. Participating in a gymnastics program was not ideal for her, for various reason, and so having one at home will be an incredible resource for her.



This fund created by Jonathan Daniel Stone's family, celebrates his life. Daniel was a child who had autism and died suddenly at the age of 11 in May of 2013. The purpose of the fund is to annually support initiatives to assist children and their families who have been diagnosed with autism and/or other intellectual disabilities. Daniel's fund can be utilized for but is not limited to: recreational activities, educational workshops for parents and siblings, advocacy, vocation and life skills development, assistive devices and equipment that promote and facilitate learning or communication. The recipients were selected by a review committee comprised of Dr. Jonathan and Sarah Stone, a person supported by Community Living Chatham-Kent, two Community Living Chatham-Kent Managers and a Community Living Chatham-Kent Past Board Member.