

Alternative Family Support

A safe,
nurturing and
supportive
home

The Alternative Family Support (AFS) Program offers safe, nurturing and supportive homes for individuals with intellectual and/or physical disabilities, and/or individuals living with long term mental illness.

The Department of Community Services is seeking individuals and families who are interested in sharing their homes and providing varying levels of support on either a short or long-term basis. Currently, we need AFS homes across the province.

Individuals are placed with AFS providers through a matching process, where all participants are in agreement to live together. AFS providers receive compensation depending on the support needs of the individual.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming an AFS provider, please contact:

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