

Ramoth Life Centre History

Ramoth Life Centre is a non-denominational, non-profit, charitable organization that is governed by a Board of Directors. Ramoth Life Centre offers two programs: Ramoth Pregnancy Centre and Ramoth House. The name “Ramoth” was inspired by an Old Testament city which was designated as a place of refuge. Ramoth Life Centre was created to be a modern day place of refuge for young woman and infants.

Ramoth Life Centre was founded by former Grey County C.A.S. foster parents, Terry and Brenda Tubman. As a result of caring for infants and young children traumatized by abuse and neglect, the Tubman’s were motivated to create a safe haven for pregnant and parenting young women. With the support of a team of individuals from surrounding communities, the Tubman’s established a charitable organization known as Ramoth Life Centre. The organization was designed to provide practical support for these young women with the hope of breaking the cycle of abuse for the developing generation.

While a maternity home was the initial dream, red tape and funding issues delayed that plan for several years. Through the financial support of service groups and churches from the communities surrounding Mount Forest, the Ramoth Life Centre Board of Directors opened a drop-in crisis pregnancy centre in 1989 with plans to expand to a residential program in the future. In December of 1998, Ramoth Life Centre purchased a former nursing home located at 119 Wellington St. West, Mount Forest and began massive renovations. In February 2000 Ramoth House accepted its first resident, a pregnant young woman from a neighboring county who placed her child for adoption at birth. From February 2000 - December 2008 Ramoth House helped 63 young women discover their parenting potential. Some young woman chose to parent while others chose to place their children in adoption. In all cases, the child and mother remained safe and supported during the decision making process.

The Ramoth House program has become the organizations primary focus since the expansion in 2000. The Ramoth House program continues to evolve to meet the changing needs of the community.

Purpose of Ramoth House Placement

- To reduce both the realized and potential risks to the mother and the child.
- To support young women in discovering their parenting potential.
- To help clients discover that a persons potential is equal to more then the sum of their past experience.

Expected Outcomes of a Ramoth House Placement

- The client will be enabled to begin the process of fulfilling her plans for her future and the future of her child.
- The mother and child will return to the community of origin with the necessary skills to live as functioning, supported members of the community.