

What is APHASIA ?

Aphasia (pronounced "a-fay-zha") is a communication disorder. Speaking and understanding spoken language may also be reduced or lost. Reading and writing may be affected.

Aphasia is caused by brain injury, usually stroke or head trauma.

Intelligence and reasoning are usually intact, but loss of communication can result in:

- depression
- social isolation
- marital stress
- disrupted family relationships
- loss of personal identity
- loss of employability

What is Aphasia Centre of Ottawa ?

Aphasia Centre of Ottawa is a unique community-based agency dedicated to the long-term support of people affected by aphasia. A speech-language pathologist and social worker, in partnership with trained volunteers, provide programs to help people adjust to living with aphasia and to participate again in regular community activities.

Programs offered include:

- conversation groups;
- Individual or family counseling;
- Individual or group speech - language therapy;
- peer support;
- computer training;
- summer program; and
- special interest groups.

What can I do about aphasia ?

I want to help people with aphasia:

___ Becoming a volunteer.

Making a tax creditable donation:

___ \$25 ___ \$35 ___ \$50 ___ \$100 (other: please specify) ___

Do you require a receipt (please circle) ? YES NO

___ Aphasia has affected my family / friend.

___ Please send me further information.

PLEASE PRINT:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

POSTAL CODE: _____

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Aphasia Centre of Ottawa is a non-profit charitable organization. The Centre's programs are supported by:

- The OutCare Foundation;
- the City of Ottawa;
- dedicated volunteers;
- fundraising efforts;
- personal donations; and
- fees for service.

Contact us to:

- learn more about aphasia;
- receive information about the programs offered;
- become a volunteer; or
- make a tax-creditable donation.

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