

### **Cleaning and Organizing Contacts**

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The Wellington Guelph Hoarding Response has compiled a list of cleaning and organizing services that work in Guelph and Wellington County. Some basic information about each service provider has been collected to make it easier for service providers, families, and people struggling with hoarding to find reliable services.

### Disclaimer

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If someone chooses to contact a company on this list:

- It is their responsibility to request and inquire into references
- All arrangements for service are negotiated between the company and the individual requiring the services
- If there is a problem with a clean-up, please contact the Hoarding Response at <u>info@wghoardingresponse.ca</u> and ongoing inclusion of the company on this list will be reviewed.

### When working with cleaning companies, please consider the following:

Always obtain an estimate prior to contracting services:

- Ask for a written estimate of tasks, timelines, and costs
- Take time to determine if the company is a good fit for the client
- The cheapest company may not be the right fit for the person
- Consider breaking up the services if one company cannot address all the issues

During the clean-up:

- Determine who the company will take direction from and are accountable to (depending on how the clean-up is being funded)
- Ensure clear communication of expectations and boundaries for the company (directed by the client)
- Use storage bins with caution. If time permits, sort items and arrange for removal of items to be disposed immediately.

Support for the client:

- Ensure the individual is supported before, during and after the clean-up process
- The client needs to direct cleaning rules/instructions for the cleaning company. For example, what to do when a valuable item is found, handling valuable items when the client is present
- Consider a maintenance plan for bi-weekly or weekly cleaning service

The lead service provider will need to be involved in this process until appropriate to withdraw.

This list has been compiled by the Wellington Guelph Hoarding Response. If you have feedback, please contact <u>info@wghoardingresponse.ca.</u>



# **Cleaning Companies**

| Diresco Building Services  | Service Area: Windsor to Ottawa  |
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| Contact Info<br>Bill Norris<br>572 Newbold St., London, ON<br>226-236-0071<br><u>billnorris@diresco.ca</u><br>www.diresco.ca   | Cost<br>\$35.00/hr plus materials<br>Mould removal costs vary<br>Free estimates  |
| General Info<br>✓ Experience with Hoarding<br>✓ Valid Insurance<br>✓ WSIB<br>✓ Police Clearance<br>✓ References Available<br>✓ Free Estimate<br>✓ Understands confidentiality (i.e. use of photos) | <ul> <li>✓ Services Offered</li> <li>✓ Sorting, organizing, boxing items</li> <li>✓ Hauling heavy items</li> <li>✓ Downsizing/relocation/estate liquidation</li> <li>✓ Deep/heavy cleaning of all surfaces</li> <li>✓ Odor Removal</li> <li>✓ Biohazard removal (i.e. mould, feces)</li> <li>✓ Bedbug Prep</li> <li>✓ Maintenance cleaning/organizing</li> </ul> |

Additional Information

- Works both with the client present and not, but decisions and directions are always from the client
- Over 25 years experience and attended over 350 hoarding sites
- www.iicrc.com click on locate a professional and search my name under locate a master
- Current national certifications: odor control technician, fire & smoke restoration technician, carpet cleaning technician, water damage specialist, applied microbial remediation specialist (3000-5000 hours of mould removal experience), health and safety specialist, master water restorer, master fire restorer, master textile restorer, certified expert technician Biohazard and Trauma Decontamination 9 (HIP certified), applied mold remediation technicians and Type 3 asbestos certification

| Dirty Deedz Cleaning  | Service Area: Guelph, Elora, Fergus, Rockwood,<br>Puslinch, Cambridge and Kitchener  |
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| Contact Info<br>Janice McDowell<br>14 Chase Ave. Guelph<br>519-829-3727<br>Janice@dirtydeedzcleaning.com<br>www.dirtydeedzcleaning.com  | Cost<br>\$40-45 per person/per hour for hoarding   |
| General Info <ul> <li>✓ Experience with Hoarding</li> <li>✓ Valid Insurance</li> <li>✓ WSIB</li> <li>✓ Police Clearance</li> <li>✓ References Available</li> <li>✓ Free Estimate</li> <li>✓ Understands confidentiality (i.e. use of photos)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Services Offered</li> <li>✓ Sorting, organizing, boxing items</li> <li>✓ Hauling heavy items</li> <li>✓ Downsizing/relocation/estate liquidation</li> <li>✓ Deep/heavy cleaning of all surfaces</li> <li>✓ Odor Removal</li> <li>Biohazard removal (i.e. mould, feces)</li> <li>Bedbug Prep</li> <li>✓ Maintenance cleaning/organizing</li> </ul> |

Additional Information

• Works both with the client present and not, but decisions and directions are always from the client

- Between partners, over 60 years of experience in service oriented businesses. Focus is the general remediation cleanup and disposal of required items to ensure both safety and health hazard removal
- Cleans common areas within apartment and condo buildings
- Can also provide consultations with clients



| KD Services  | Service Area: City of Guelph, County of Wellington,<br>Waterloo Region |
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| Contact Info                                       | Cost   |
| Dan Grimm/Kirby Miller                             | \$50 per hour based on two person team; includes                       |
| 606 Coppercroft Ct., Waterloo                      | transportation costs, collection items (rags, bags, and                |
| 519-651-9155                                       | cleaning supplies). Storage boxes, disposal units, and                 |
| kdservices@rogers.com                              | costs (by us or 3 <sup>rd</sup> party) are extra.                      |
| General Info                                       | Services Offered   |
| ✓ Experience with Hoarding                         | ✓ Sorting, organizing, boxing items                                    |
| ✓ Valid Insurance                                  | ✓ Hauling heavy items  |
| WSIB   | ✓ Downsizing/relocation/estate liquidation                             |
| ✓ Police Clearance                                 | ✓ Deep/heavy cleaning of all surfaces                                  |
| ✓ References Available                             | Odor Removal   |
| ✓ Free Estimate                                    | ✓ Biohazard removal (i.e. mould, feces)                                |
| ✓ Understands confidentiality (i.e. use of photos) | Infestation Management   |
|  | ✓ Maintenance cleaning/organizing                                      |

Additional Information

- Works both with the client present and not, but decisions and directions are always from the client
- Between partners, over 60 years of experience in service oriented businesses. Focus is the general remediation cleanup and disposal of required items to ensure both safety and health hazard removal.
- Also does minor damage repairs.

| Monkhouse Extreme Cleaning Co.                     | Service Area: anything within 1.5 hours from Guelph including Hamilton to Mount Forest, London to Toronto |
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| Contact Info                                       | Cost  |
| Shawn Monkhouse                                    | Pricing varies depending on nature and size of job.   |
| 519-803-6102                                       |   |
| monkhouseextremecleaningco@gmail.com               |   |
| General Info                                       | Services Offered  |
| <ul> <li>Experience with Hoarding</li> </ul>       | ✓ Sorting, organizing, boxing items   |
| ✓ Valid Insurance                                  | ✓ Hauling heavy items   |
| WSIB   | ✓ Downsizing/relocation/estate liquidation  |
| ✓ Police Clearance                                 | ✓ Deep/heavy cleaning of all surfaces   |
| ✓ References Available                             | ✓ Odor Removal  |
| ✓ Free Estimate                                    | ✓ Biohazard removal (i.e. mould, feces)   |
| ✓ Understands confidentiality (i.e. use of photos) | ✓ Bedbug prep   |
|  | ✓ Maintenance cleaning/organizing   |

Additional Information

- We do bulk garbage disposal for residential & commercial properties, emergency repairs that create bulk garbage, renovations and unit rollovers.
- While we de-clutter we will work with the client and any support personnel or family members to create a smooth transition from a hoarding environment to safe living conditions.
- We provide one-time extreme cleaning of houses & apartments that have become unlivable and unhealthy for a person to live in.
- After the first initial cleaning we can also provide weekly, bi-weekly and monthly cleaning to assist homeowner/tenant in maintaining a healthy living environment.
- We do cockroach pre/post treatment preparation and assist in bringing home/apartment back to original state after treatment



| We Move It   | Service Area: All of Wellington County   |
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| Contact Info<br>John Rafauli<br>7 Innovation Dr., Dundas<br>1-844-866-8348<br>905-691-9174<br>info@wemove-it.com<br>www.wemove-it.com  | Cost<br>\$58 per person per hour for extreme clean (squalor<br>situations or hoarding)   |
| <ul> <li>General Info</li> <li>✓ Experience with Hoarding</li> <li>✓ Valid Insurance</li> <li>✓ WSIB</li> <li>✓ Police Clearance</li> <li>✓ References Available</li> <li>✓ Free Estimate</li> <li>✓ Understands confidentiality (i.e. use of photos)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Services Offered</li> <li>✓ Sorting, organizing, boxing items</li> <li>✓ Hauling heavy items</li> <li>✓ Downsizing/relocation/estate liquidation</li> <li>✓ Deep/heavy cleaning of all surfaces</li> <li>Odor Removal</li> <li>✓ Biohazard removal (i.e. mould, feces, &amp; trauma)</li> <li>✓ Bedbug Prep</li> <li>Maintenance cleaning/organizing</li> </ul> |
| <ul> <li>Additional Information</li> <li>Have some staff certified in organizing</li> </ul>  |  |

Can provide a free estimate – sometimes will do a video walk-through or look at picture of the situation



## **Organizing Companies**

| HALO Home and Life Organizers   | Service Area: All of Ontario  |
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| Contact Info<br>Melanie Bergsma<br>519-465-6625<br><u>Support@homeandlifeorganizers.com</u><br>www.homeandlifeorganizers.com  | Cost<br>Varies based on job but can range from \$85 to \$150 per<br>hour per tech (minimum 3-hour charge)<br>Dumping fees, Biohazardous waste fees, PPE, travel<br>time etc. may be added to cost.  |
| General Info (please indicate the ones you have)         ✓ Experience with Hoarding         ✓ Valid Insurance         ✓ WSIB         ✓ Police Clearance         ✓ References Available         ✓ Free Estimate         ✓ Understands confidentiality (i.e. use of photos) | <ul> <li>Services Offered (please indicate the ones you do)</li> <li>Sorting, organizing, boxing items</li> <li>Hauling heavy items</li> <li>Downsizing/relocation/estate liquidation</li> <li>Deep/heavy cleaning of all surfaces</li> <li>Odor Removal</li> <li>Biohazard removal (i.e. mould, feces)</li> <li>Bedbug Preparation</li> <li>Maintenance cleaning/organizing</li> </ul> |

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Our customized service is designed to meet your individual needs with the most cost-effective strategy for your personal situation. HALO Home and Life Organizers will help you organize and prepare your home for transition. HALO also ensures mental well-being by connecting you with community support services and referred partners in the community to help you reach your Plan of Care goals. We ensure that your life and home transitions are as comfortable and stress free as possible.

| Hunter's Helping Hand Inc.                                    | Service Area: Guelph and tri city area, up to one hour away                     |
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| Contact Info  | Cost  |
| Colleen Hunter<br>519-362-0844                                | \$40 per hour, no HST with 3 minimum in Guelph, 6 hour minimum elsewhere        |
| hhhand@sympatico.ca   | Drive time over ½ hour additional charges<br>Dumping fees are additional charge |
| General Info  | Services Offered  |
| ✓ Experience with Hoarding                                    | ✓ Sorting, organizing, boxing items   |
| ✓ Valid Insurance   | ✓ Hauling heavy items   |
| ✓ WSIB  | <ul> <li>Downsizing/relocation/estate liquidation</li> </ul>                    |
| Police Clearance  | ✓ Deep/heavy cleaning of all surfaces   |
| ✓ References Available  | Odor Removal  |
| ✓ Free Estimate   | Biohazard removal (i.e. mould, feces)   |
| $\checkmark$ Understands confidentiality (i.e. use of photos) | Infestation Management  |
|   | Maintenance cleaning/organizing   |

Additional Information

• Works both with the client present and not, but decisions and directions are always from the client

• 18 years in business



| Service Area: County of Wellington and City of Guelph  |
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| Cost<br>\$30/hour  |
| <ul> <li>Services Offered</li> <li>✓ Sorting, organizing, boxing items<br/>Hauling heavy items</li> <li>✓ Downsizing/relocation/estate liquidation</li> <li>✓ Deep/heavy cleaning of all surfaces<br/>Odor Removal<br/>Biohazard removal (i.e. mould, feces)<br/>Bedbug Prep</li> <li>✓ Maintenance cleaning/organizing</li> </ul> |
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- Worked for two local long term care homes
- Works for three local churches
- No heavy smoking homes

You can also search two online databases for Professional Organizers:

### **Professional Organizers in Canada**

#### www.organizersincanada.com

- Click on "Find an Organizer"
- Search for the geographic area you are looking for (e.g. Guelph)
- You can search for "chronically disorganized" under "Speciality Services"

### Institute for Challenging Disorganization

### www.challengingdisorganization.org

- Click on "Find an Organizer" (green button on the right sidebar)
- There are often no search results for Guelph Wellington, but some organizers from surrounding areas (KW, Toronto) may work in this area