

# Rural Pregnant Moms

## Lindsay's story

Our northern situation is unique on its own and northerners might have to vacate their rural home to access medical care or give birth in the nearest city, or for any other unexpected reasons.

Beyond connecting travelers to true northern experiences, we serve locals and support the most vulnerable groups as much as possible by partnering with local organizations to open our doors to the ones that need it the most.



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*I had booked a room 2.5 months in advance of my due date. With 3 weeks left before my delivery I had a phone call saying they double booked me so I no longer had a place to stay. This was so stressful. I called many services trying to find a place for my 8-year-old daughter and I. I posted on the Yukon helpers network. A flood of people offered me a bed in a basement or a futon. Many had a bunch of stairs and animals. Even though this flooded my heart with kindness, we still didn't have somewhere suitable for my family. I felt helpless and like no one cared. Also, the financial piece was so hard to try and figure out. I was in tears and helpless...until I got a message from Brittney McGean from Neighbourly North. She asked if they could help.*

*This is where everything changed. I felt supported from the first message.*

*We worked together to find a property that works for my whole support team. I'm a single mother of 2 now and had my daughter, my mother, brother, his girlfriend, my best friend and her boyfriend as my team. After speaking with Brittney I realized we could all stay together. This helped my family bond and reconnect before the arrival of my new daughter. This will last forever and I will forever be grateful. We could all stay together in a beautiful place that is safe and clean. Having the necessities in the property helped so much. Being able to cook together, having laundry, internet, big back yard, blankets, towels...it all helped so much. As your about to have a baby you need to feel supported and that is what I felt so much. If I had questions I was instantly replied to and treated amazing.*

*After returning home with baby, a gift was even dropped off for not only my new arrival but my older daughter as well. This is above and beyond.*

*I will be forever grateful for Neighbourly North. I get teary every time I think of how much this helped me and my family. I really hope others experience the support and love I've felt. No one should feel helpless before they have a child. Everyone should have an option like the one provided by Neighbourly North to grow the mothers support network before birth to lead to a better future for the child and family.*

*Thank you all so much <3*

Lindsay B\*\*\*\*\*



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