



Geller House social worker Jo Schneider works with a client.

try," Elisha added. "We're having trouble getting money and support for community-based programs."

Meanwhile, what happens to the kids?

"If kids are pushed out and made outcasts they will gravitate toward illegal and dangerous behavior," Elisha said.

But as long as there are group homes, it seems a certainty there will also be angry neighbors, civic associations and community boards.

"We are providing a community service with your tax money. Don't treat us as intruders," Jackson pleaded. "There's a mentality that says, 'I worked hard to buy a home in this community and I don't want any changes.'"

"Until it happens to you, people just don't want to hear about it."

Last of three parts.



Art teacher Wilfred Murray conducts a ceramics class in Geller House, Arrochar.

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