

Biography



Dave Killham

Executive Director
Workers Health and Safety Centre

Dave Killham assumed the role of Executive Director for the Workers Centre in July 2002. He brings to the position extensive leadership experience having served the Canadian labour movement in various capacities for 25 years.

Dave most recently served as the Workers Centre Director, Training Services, Toronto Region, responsible for coordinating the Centre's training development and delivery efforts throughout Central Ontario. As a member of the United Brewers Warehousing Workers Union, Dave contributed as an executive officer, steward, health and safety advocate and benefit representative. As political action, education and communication coordinator with United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) Local 175 he helped establish and direct their training centre in Mississauga. In 1999 he was appointed special assistant to the national director UFCW Canada. His responsibilities again included training, education and political advocacy.

The Workers Health and Safety Centre is unique among the 14 organizations funded by Ontario's Workplace Safety and Insurance Board. As the system's "training centre" and voice for workers and their representatives within the province's prevention system, they offer training and information services to thousands of workers and workplace representatives in all sectors of the economy and all regions of the province. To date they have developed more than 100 ready-to-use training programs and several workplace-specific programs. Each meets important legislative requirements and expressed training needs. All are delivered using the Centre's participant-centred and 'workers training workers' approach.

Dave resides in Cambridge, Ontario with his partner Debbie, 12-year-old daughter Alexandra and 6-year-old son Fraser.