## **Admission Criteria**

To be accepted as a resident, the following criteria must be met:

- The prospective resident must be 19 years old at the time of the first intake interview.
- Be willing to provide a release of information for the staff to speak to the prospective resident's physician.
- The prospective resident must be able to communicate in English.
- Must be physically and emotionally able to participate in classroom learning and to engage in leisure activities in the community.
- Physically be able to walk up and down stairs and to complete household chores.
- Be willing to live in a communal setting, and able to get along with other women from diverse backgrounds and cultures.
- Must not have a physical or mental illness that requires a level of support that cannot be accommodated by The Marguerite Centre. For instance, chemotherapy treatment, extreme obsessive compulsive disorder, etc.
- Must have a source of income (employment, Department of Community Services, Employment Insurance, other insurance, alimony, personal funds, etc.).
- Be committed to achieving recovery in an abstinence based program.
- Must be committed to approximately 6 months to 1 year as a resident at The Marguerite Centre.
- Must be willing to provide a urine and/or breathalyzer sample when requested.
- Admission is granted upon applicants having utilized other support services (addiction services,
  12 step meetings, day detox, etc) if available in your community.