

### **Mission and Values**

#### Mission

We are an organization created by the NDG community that listens, mobilizes, facilitates and acts. We foster partnerships between residents, community partners and key players to identify and address needs and emerging issues in order to cultivate strategy and solutions. As allies, we exist for the community as a whole while supporting and strengthening the most vulnerable and isolated. The NDG Community Council strives to achieve a socially just, inclusive and sustainable community.

#### Values

- Inclusiveness, tolerance, representivity (reflecting the community)
- Transparency
- Social justice, with a focus on vulnerable populations
- Autonomy of community initiatives and projects
- Citizen participation in decision-making that includes consultation and reflection of community values
- Belief in the capacity of individuals and organisations and support for that capacity
- Democracy
- Strong community

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#### On August 22, a microburst with 120 km/h winds cut a swath

through a 20-block section of NDG, knocking down trees, causing property damage and a significant power outage. The Council offices were at the heart of the affected area, fortunately the building is old but sturdy, we only had 4 days of power outage. The year passed us by exactly like the microburst; quick and intense ! Time passed by so fast that I am uncertain this year actually had 52 weeks!

I would like to start by thanking the team— the Board of Directors, the staff, volunteers and partners - who were very generous with their time, knowledge, and experience. Above all, I would like to dedicate my report, this year, to the Council's staff; we owe our success to our proactive, resilient, patient and loyal staff. As is the case of many community groups, we had some budgetary cuts and no indexations for many years. We do work hard to get new funding but most money is allocated to project based funding which does help us create more services but it increases our workload and hours. Consequently, we were unable to give a raise to the staff for several years now. It is difficult for a Director to watch her staff work very hard at all hours of the day. They continue to support residents, group initiatives and projects, often behind the scenes. I watch them work during their vacation and sick days, from the airport, while mourning their loved ones and even during their maternity and paternity preparation and leave. Dear colleagues thank you for the great year you gave the Council and the NDG community .

As you can see we do not have a typical working schedule at the Council, in addition each of us juggles several dossiers. NDG also has very mobilised and involved residents, which other neighborhood envy! Staff, residents and partners come to the Council with new project or initiative every month, to name few : Act as a fiduciary for 10 groups with various management's complexity some has several projects, other a simple money transfer; supported two residents lead initiatives from two senior cultural groups; and one group of young stay home moms of 0-5 years; host five conversation classes ( 2 French and 3 English run by 4 volunteers) ; respond to initiatives from our elected officials ( Poverty Round Table , 101 winter event ); of course not to forget initiatives run by the staff some examples : NDG Read , Directors meetings , Communication discussion group ,creating links between the NDG community and city of Côte St Luc; continue to work on the website and send the weekly e-letter , co coordination of 7 table de concertation and member of several local and regional tables and coalition ; working in the 4 priority sector, Tax clinics , Public assemblies, festivals and events throughout the year. Last but not least all the work around the strategic plan from mobilizing to the actual creation of the Action Plan .

I am out of breath; I will stop here and finish with a positive note! Despite all of the above I personally enjoyed working with everyone and I am very proud to be part of such a passionate and dedicated team and dynamic organisation. Finally, I invite you to explore our report and if we inspire

you please come join us. It is important to have your support and involvement! Please contact us directly, and do not forget to continuously check our website, which is a great tool for and by the community.

Halah Al-Ubaidi





### **President's Report**

For 76 years, the NDG Community Council has been a fixture in our community, a welcome resource for residents looking for answers, and a supportive partner for groups looking to do more for their neighbours. That reputation is well-earned. It is a testament to every member of the Community Council team who has dedicated time and effort to improving quality-of-life in Notre-Dame-de-Grâce. I am very proud, in my first year as President of the Board of Directors, to have the privilege to thank all of you for your commitment: residents, students, trainees and interns alike. My special gratitude goes to our corps of volunteers, without whom many of our activities would be simply impossible.

To my Board colleagues, your dedication to our community remains impressive, year after year. By adopting important resolutions, engaging in insightful debates and bringing new ideas to the table, you continue that work to better our community. I am very happy to sit among you. I would like to dedicate a special thank you to fellow Board members Mandeep Lota and Jonathan Picaizen, who will be moving on to new opportunities.

The Community Council cannot function properly without a strong leader at the helm, and we are fortunate to have such in our executive director, Halah Al-Ubaidi. We remain eternally grateful for her leadership, patience and tireless work ethic.

And most importantly, we must acknowledge the tremendous collaboration of our many community partners, the members of the Notre-Dame-de-Grâce *Table de Quartier*, and all the residents of NDG who dedicate themselves every day to making our neighbourhood an excellent place to live, visit and work.

This year was one of challenge and change in our community. The municipal elections brought many new faces to our local governance, bringing with them a period of adjustment to new priorities. Not only did the Council host three successful and highly insightful Meet-the-Candidate evenings during the election campaign period – one for Borough Mayor and one each for our local City Councillors – but we also faced the results of those elections, with an almost entirely new administration to work with at both the borough and City Hall. We were very happy to welcome Ms. Sue Montgomery, newly-elected Borough Mayor of Côte-des-Neiges-Notre-Dame-de-Grâce, to our meeting on the first official day of her mandate, an important symbol of the enduring relationship between the Council and the Borough.

Those conversations with elected officials continued throughout the year, as we worked to strengthen relationships at the federal, provincial, municipal and school board levels. These meetings provide a unique opportunity to discuss common priorities, bring to light emerging challenges and develop winning intervention strategies together. We look forward to ongoing and fruitful dialogue and cooperation with all levels of government.

We would be remiss not to acknowledge the development of the community's new Strategic Plan for 2016-2021, the culmination of a plethora of consultations among residents, community organizers, government and a wide range of other local representatives. This painstaking work has been driven forward by five task force groups, who each developed new action plans to reach common goals identified for and by the NDG community. Their work will help guide our priorities in the future, and their efforts should be commended.

In closing, the Council continues to tackle the immense task of balancing the needs of the NDG community against growing financial pressures. This will increasingly require us to look to new sources of revenue to offset reductions from traditional funding sources. We remain very grateful to the financial assistance of our current funders, and their ongoing confidence in the Community Council and the work that we do.

Andrew Ross President of the Board



#### Board Members 2017-2018 (12)

During the year, the Board had six (6) meetings, Jing Bai, Lunar New-Year Event plus one (1) orientation meeting and one (1) Jennifer Chapman, Outreach worker member joined different permanent and ad hoc munity Strategic Plan committees (see Appendix 3). The President and the Director met periodically. The Membership Service Contracts (10) and Nomination committee met three times, the Irina Glushko - WEB GIUNKA - Website Develop-Communication committee met twice and the ment financial committee met once.

Andrew Ross (R) - President Susan Clarke (R) - Vice-President nesse Emploi (CJE) CDN/NDG Pamela Adriano (R) Mandeep Lota (R) Yingnan Sun (R) Jonathan Picaizen (B) - RBC James Olwell (O) Bienvenue à NDG Sheri Mcleod (O) NDG Senior Citizens' Council Lindsey Whitelaw (R) YMCA NDG Sarah Gosse (Employee Representative)

Halah Al-Ubaidi (Executive Director)

#### Our team (10)

We continued our weekly staff meetings. At least one staff member was present at each Borough Council meeting. In addition, we continue to be present at most Annual General Meetings of partner organisations. Each staff member juggled several dossiers and continues to support and create new initiatives.

Halah Al-Ubaidi, Executive Director Graziella Bieto Challenger, Community Organiser Annick Munyana, Community Organiser Steve Charters, Community Organiser Sharon Sweeney, Community Organiser Sarah Gosse, Community Worker Rilev Dalys Fine, Community Organiser Emily Cuellar Villeneuve, Community Worker Julie Cormier, Community Worker Fahimeh Delavar Esfahani- Project manager

#### **Council Contractual Staff (3)**

Board/Staff retreat. In addition each Board Lisa Black- Logistic coordinator for NGD Com-

Joe Miller - The Computer Whisperer Oliver Cole and Kirisanthi Kugathasan - Colius Services - Accounting & Bookkeeping Glenn Cassidy - Janitorial service Hans Heisinger (O) - Treasurer, Carrefour Jeu- Marlo Turner Ritchie & Dana Vocisano- Consultant for the NDG Community Strategic Plan Teresa Ste-Marie (O) - Secretary, Prevention Varainja Stock - Project Assistant - Combat des Livres NDG Reads Felibeth Gayongala—IT Tax Clinic Alex Carruthers- Business outreach worker Michael Cullen Coaching-Retreat

#### Summer Student (2)

Rachelle Rose Niedermayer, Kaitlyn (ArtHive)

#### Interns (4)

Kagamé Jean (McGill University, Social Work) Khalid Lamothe(Summit School) Quinn Willson (McGill University, Social Work) Abraham McDougall (Graphic Design)

#### Fiduciary Contracts (29)

Abraham McDowall, Rayana Speede, Noa Ne'eman, Rene Bernal, Joe Jacobs, Nahka Bertrand, Luca Palladino Paul Cargnello, Thomas Bock , Monique Polak, Dr. Clarence Bayne, Mariam Pal, Kimberly Salt, Jodie Steinberg, Yvette Salinas, Ruth Boomer, Nancy Cozier, Camille Wilkins, Lindsay Fleming, Cindy Haughton, Pilar Hernandez Romero, Caroline Dick, Marlo Turner Ritchie, Jackson Frank, Cypriss Campbell, Tally Abeccassis, Aurora Robinson, Sarah Ring, Gabrielle Mariano, Nathalie Senecal, Zen Nakmura, Jason Wasserman

Productions Alma Viva, Women on the Rise, NDG Food Depot, Bienvenue à NDG, Prevention CDN/NDG, Westhaven -Elmhurst Community Centre, LogisAction NDG



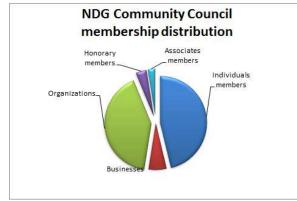
### **Our Members**

#### Our membership

Being a member of the Council means contributing in a meaningful way to the growth, development, and quality of life of everyone in NDG. Membership is an important aspect of the Council and we look to our member's input to help inform our actions and decisions.

The Council offers five different types of membership: Individual, Organization, Business, Associate and Honorary.

For the year 2017-2018, we had a total of **82 members**: **39 Individuals, 33 Organizations, 5 Businesses, 2 Associates and 3 Honorary members.** 



#### **Our Honorary members**

Anne Usher Gail Tedstone André Biron

#### **Our Business members**

Jonathan Picaizen/ Mathew Bufo (RBC) Glushko Irina /Valeziy Mikhailov (Web Giunka) Janis Warne (Traduction Janis Warne) Oliver Cole /Kirsha Kugathason (Colius Services) Tiffany Blouin (Action Sport Physio Montreal-West)

#### **Our Associate members**

Joseph Lala Peter McQueen

#### Our Organization members

Fraser Hickson Institute Head and Hands Montreal Wado Ryn Karate Association Les Habitations Tango Coup de Balai Queen Elizabeth Complex-Administration L'Abri en Ville Loisirs sportifs Cote-des- Neiges Cavendish Senior Day Center NDG Food Depot ACEF Du Sud-Ouest de Mtl New Hope Senior Centre Montreal Business Women Club Women on the Rise Carrefour Jeunesse Emploi NDG Centre d'Intervention de crise TRACOM St. Philip's Church Bienvenue à NDG NDG Off The Wall Fondation de La Visite **Compeer Montreal** YMCA of Quebec NDG Les Amis du Parc Meadowbrook Atelier D'histoire NDG Notre Dame Des Arts Kensington Presbyterian Church Le Bonhomme à lunettes PAAL Centre communautaire NDG NDG Senior Citizens' Council Prévention NDG-CDN Cheap Art Collective Espace Knox

### Importance of Volunteering

We are honoured to have so many generous volunteers helping us to achieve our goals! Time and time again, volunteers come to our aid in lightening our workload and assisting fellow NDG residents. We value all the experience volunteers bring with them; many come from different backgrounds in terms of work and culture, but all commonly share the willingness to offer their time and skills as a volunteer at the NDG Community Council. We offer our volunteers training for most roles, however we also gain knowledge by exchanging with them.

Special thanks to Pierre Blouin, for his years of voluntary service with us since 2006 as a receptionist ... or we should say, our information and referral person! Admittedly, we would be lost without his knowledgeable presence or his amazing coffee making skills!

\*\*See list of volunteers in Appendix 2

The Council receives founding from different sources( individuals, private, municipal, provincial and federal) and they are all of great importance to us. Thanks to all those who supports our mission.

#### **Funding sources**

· Initiative Montréalaise de soutien au développement social local (Centraide du Grand Montréal, Direction régional de la santé publique, Ville de Montréal et l'entente MESS-Ville).

· Centraide du Grand Montréal – Resident Mobilisation

· Centraide du Grand Montréal- Action collective dans les Quartiers vulnérables

-Fondation de Grand Montreal

· Agence de la santé et des services sociaux de Montreal—Programme de soutien aux organismes communautaires (PSOC)

· Direction Régional de Santé publique – Mesure Environnement favorable à la Santé

·Gouvernement du Canada- Service Canada Direction des services aux citoyens et des programmes

– Emplois d'été Canada

· Arrondissement CDN/NDG, Fonds de développement social - DCSLDS

· Ville-MTESS – Fond québécois d'initiatives sociales dans le cadre des alliances pour la solidarité

· Assemblée Nationale , Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir e<mark>t du Sport -Soutien à l'action bénévole (SAB)</mark> (Bureau de Mme Kathleen Weil et M. David Birnbaum )

·Gouvernement du Québec- Ministre de l'immigration, de la Diversité et de l'inclusion

· Gouvernement du Québec- Ministre des Affaires municipa<mark>les et de l'occupation du territoire , ministre de la</mark> sécurité publique et ministre responsable de la région de Montréal.

- Arrondissement CDN /NDG –budget discrétionnaire municipal des élus

· Others (Membership, donation, Centre de la petite enfance – Avenir d'enfants, etc)

#### **Fiduciary Funding Sources**

#### NDG Food Depot

· Agence de la santé et des services sociaux d<mark>e Montréal (programme des soutien aux incitatives locales</mark> (2013-2018) – Marché Bonne Bouffe NDG

#### LogisAction NDG

-Centraide du Grand Montréal – Intervention en matière de logement

Société d'habitation du Québec—Programme d'aide aux organismes communautaires (Soutien aux projets ponctuels)

-Gouvernement du Québec – Programme d'aide aux organismes communautaires , Volet Soutien aux projets ponctuels)

#### Women on the Rise

· Ville-MTESS – Fond québécois d'initiatives sociales dans le cadre des alliances pour la solidarité

#### **Residents Initiatives**

NDG Community Christmas Dinner (Five B Family Foundation, Donations )

**NDG Art Hive (**Ville de Montréal -- Arrondissement CDN-NDG, Desjardins Caisse de Notre- Dame – de-Grâce, Gouvernement du Canada- Service Canada Direction des services aux citoyens et des programmes– Emplois d'été Canada Different Donors in cash and in kind **Porchfest NDG (**Ville de Montréal -- Arrondissement CDN-NDG and Donations); **Benny Farm Ground Up (**Fondation de Grand Montreal); **ScaveNDGers(**Ville de Montreal 375); **No Damn Good (**Ville de Montreal 375); **;Opera in the park (**Donations); **Boom Service Project** ( Contrats) ; **Art Walk (**Assemblée Nationale , Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport -Soutien à l'action bénévole) (SAB)



### NDG Community Strategic Plan 2016-2021

#### By and for our community!



Since the Quality of Life conference on May 13th, 2017, and the report presented at the 2017 AGM, there has been great momentum on the community strategic plan. Over the summer, the consultant working on the project, Marlo Turner Ritchie, compiled all of the data coming from the consultation process and proposed a draft community strategic plan to the Coordinating Committee (COCOPS). Several revisions later, we had our plan! The five main goals are:

1. Increase capacity of community organizations offering services in NDG;

2. Increase availability of long-term, accessible, multi-purpose buildings and green spaces for organiza- tions and residents;

- 3. Enhance opportunities for employment and economic development;
- 4. Increase availability and quality of affordable housing;
- 5. Increase access to and improve diversity and quality of public and community services.

Keen supporters of the NDG Community Council will note that these goals build on the mission and legacy of the Council, and offer a perfect transition into the existing local Tables coordinated by the Council and and community partners.

In September 2017, the Council organized a Round-Table meeting with key community leaders and presented the goals and objectives, validating our direction with key community leaders.

Their role was to lead the action planning phase with a diversity of participants. The Steering Committee also worked closely with Evaluation consultant Dana Vocisano to develop a monitoring and evaluation plan to help track the progress of the plan over the next three years.

With the support of the Council staff, we issued a call for resident involvement in the creation of the action planning task force groups. We had over 75 responses, and created strong, diverse task force groups around each goal. The five task force groups, made up primarily of residents, worked intensively over 10 weeks to build action plans for each of the goals. The results of their work will be shared with the community for further input at the June 2018 AGM. The experience of the participants in the groups overall rated from 'good to excellent' and the majority of residents said that they'd like to stay involved in the strategic planning project. The COCOPS intends to meet quarterly and ensure strong coordination of the plan.







### Who do we serve?

Through our work we continue to focus on our mandate as a Table de Quartier. We divide our interventions as follows : Concertation, Mobilisation and Services

The council works in partnership with a multitude of community organisations seeking concertation for various projects & funding opportunities for the benefit of the neighborhood. This allows us to work as a collective to reinforce positive outcomes for the residents we ultimately serve. The Council works with different Tables and Committees, local and regional. We coordinate, cocoordinate or actively participate on these Tables and committees. Our partners include residents, organisation, businesses and institutions. Each table, committee or working group has their own set of goals, all with one common outcome; to improve quality of life in the neighborhood!

### **Priority Sector Collaborative**

St Raymond, Westhaven, Fielding-Walkley, and Benny Farm- Shebrooke Forest are NDG neighbourhoods that have been identified as "at-risk" and termed "vulnerable" by local organisations and institutions. Although this label may be accurate in some respects, its negative connotations overshadow the strengths and resilience of these neighbourhoods and as such the partners committee proposes to rename them **priority sectors**. A global approach to the priority sectors is not a new concept, in the past the Council and community partners conducted a community needs assessment of the priority sectors and a committee was created to address these needs.



In early 2018, the Council approached partners to discuss the possibility of reviving the idea of an intersectoral table of partners, one that would streamline services while promoting partnership. After a number of meetings, it became clear that this process would need to focus on communication and information sharing. The NDG community strategic plan would be used as a template to move information forward for discussion and brainstorming between priority sector stakeholders during a twice yearly Priority Sector Collaborative Forum.

The Proposed structure will be a replacement to the Table de Partenariat for Fielding Walkley. The plan is to extend the mandate of the Table to cover the 4 sectors, while a neighbourhood committee will continue to work on the Fielding Walkley sector.



### **St Raymond Partners Committee**

It was another busy year in St Raymond, with a plenty of resident outreach and collaborative events. Many of the public activities - Harvest Fest, PARKing Day, Halloween events, were continuations of previous years that were strengthened and improved in 2017-2018. Behind the scenes, new collaborations are emerging for complementary events and activities for the years to come. It was the first time the Council was able to dedicate both a Community Organizer and Outreach worker to the sector for an entire year.

#### **Key Results**

- Partnership with the St Raymond Community Centre strengthened through collaborating on multiple events, most notably the highly-successful 2nd edition of the St Raymond Harvest Festival
- Announcement that the Dalle Parc (a pedestrian connection linking NDG to the Sud Ouest across highway 20 as part of the Turcot Interchange Project) would be built with financing from the Ministère de Transport du Québec
- Funding secured for a community mural to be built in the neighbourhood in 2018

#### Impacts

- More neighbourhood activities organized over the course of the year
- Growing number of residents participating in neighbourhood events
- Stronger relationships built with key partners, notably the St Raymond Centre

### Westhaven Neighborhood Committee

It was a year in major transition: many partners involved with the Neighbourhood Committee moved on to other positions or careers and a new set of people now represent the organizational members of the Committee. In addition, the Council dedicated more resources to neighbourhood outreach and resident engagement to the area starting in fall 2017.



#### **Key Results**

• Submitted a successful application for funding to

the DRSP to advance key objectives within the Westhaven neighbourhood plan, specifically community health & promoting active lifestyles, yielded significant financing for a 2-year neighbourhood community planning process.

• Improved working relationship developed with key partner the Westhaven Recreation Centre.

• Decision taken to organize a neighbourhood Block Party in 2018, as requested by mobilized residents.

#### Impacts

- More funds available for work in the neighbourhood.
- A commitment from Neighbourhood Committee members to internally review and, where necessary, reset priorities for action form the 2013 Action Plan



### Benny Farm Collective

The Benny Farm Collective is a group of residents and partners who work together to improve services and contribute to community life of the immediate area of Benny Farm. New members are always welcome.

The collective works together to:

- Reach a larger audience
- Share resources
- Delegate tasks which means commitment to show up at all events not necessary
- Share concerns to a group that cares and will help you find solutions
- Gain new perspectives
- Learn new skills
- Tap into new opportunities for your organization
- Provide diversity

## **Fielding Walkley Partners Committee**







The "Démarche Fielding Walkey" is made up of 36 committed partners who focus efforts and resources on the Fielding-Walkley sector. Each partner group has also committed to integrate the needs of that sector into their organizational and program planning. Many partners at the table are committed to the neighbourhood in concentrated actions such as the Strategic Plan and the development of projects . Every action supports the revitalisation of the sector, and supports development of the residents.

The Community Organiser for Fielding Walkley included the merchants of the Démarche in many actions, one of which was called 'First Thursdays' a platform for artists to highlight their work and do a quick Q&A on their craft. Arts & Culture and revitalization go hand in hand. Over 60 residents of the Démarche attended this event and with the exception of one or two, all were artists living in the immediate area. The merchants of the Démarche Fielding Walkley are implicated in the revitalization and have participated in many actions. The organiser for Fielding

Walkley was able to integrate other partners who are not on the partners table however they are on the ground; such as the Pedestrian and Cyclist Association, Boom Service a social economy business geared at reducing waste. The Community Organiser advocated for the Walkley Centre to be the beneficiary of Porchfest's fundraising. We were also able to get some funding to support the neighbourhood parties in the sector. We had the pleasure of working closely with Bienvenue à NDG and Les Enfants du Monde. All of these actions will bring us naturally to an engaged neighbourhood committee that will include, residents, community organizations, businesses and groups.





### **NDG Community Space Coalition**

The NDG Community Space Coalition was revived in late 2017 following a several year hiatus. Its main objective has not changed however, to ensure that every community organization in NDG has an affordable and adequate space for their work.

- The needs for affordable, long-term community space emerged as an increasingly pressing issue over the last year, and was identified as a priority area for action within the NDG Strate-gic Plan
- The Coalition decided to work in parallel with the NDG Strategic Planning process in order to shape an Action Plan (to be closely based on the ideas generated through the Strategic Plan) and to enlist new members
- The Coalition officially met only twice before the end of the Council's year end, but between meetings worked collectively to develop a community needs assessment survey that will be distributed widely in the next year

### **Directors Meetings**

In response to requests from Directors in NDG, we reinitiate and expand the Directors meeting. A support group that meets periodically to share information network and discuss issues of importance to Directors. We had three meetings.

The issue of lack of services in the adjacent cities was raised on many levels in NDG, the Council created a communication bridge with Côte Saint Luc supported by MNA from D'Arcy-Mcgee . We had one meeting between the City of Côte Saint Luc Direction and elected official and 8 directors of groups in NDG and a Director from CIUSSS Centre-Ouest and the Borough Direction of la culture, des sports, des loisirs et du développement social



The Council also met with the Director from CIUSSS Centre-Ouest and the Borough Direction of la culture, des sports, des loisirs et du développement social to discuss ways to harmonise our work especially with regard to different action plans

### Meetings with the elected officials

Board and Staff of the Council continue to work closely with our elected officials. We continue this year our tradition and start the year by the Lunch with the Mayor Mme Sue Montgomery, we were privileged to meet with her on her first day in the Office. We met with Our MNA Mme Kathleen Weill, and Our Two School Commissioners Mr. Joseph Lala and Mme Marie -José Mastromonaco and last but least we met with our two City Councillors Mr. Peter McQueen and Mr.Christian Arseneault . Unfortunately we were not able to meet with our MP Mr. Marc Garneau but we continue to follow up with his office on issues in the Community

Discussions were always lively and enthusiastic by both parties , issues discussed are diverse with a strong focus on poverty for both Groups and residents. To name a few; lack of funding and indexation for the groups, employment and revenues, availability of services and the capacity and the condition of schools .



### Concertation

### Arts & Culture Table

The Table has a simple mandate: promote the arts and celebrate the cultures of NDG.

• The Table collectively submitted numerous successful grant applications throughout the year, a number of which were successful. In many cases, the Council acted as a fiduciary for these resident-led applications. There were a higher number of funding opportunities over the year as it was both Montreal's 375th and Canada's 150th anniversaries.

• MTL 375 & Fondation du Grand Montreal - the Council acted as fiduciary for the following projects : No Damn Good - a cultural podcast ; ScaveNDGers - a neigh-

bourhood treasure hunt ; Benny Farm - From the Ground Up - an oral history project. These projects demonstrated the depth of NDGs vibrant and creative artistic community and helped build the incredibly collaborative culture of the local arts community.

• The Council received direct funding for 2 key cultural activities - Piste Cyclart and NDG Reads with funding coming from the Fondation du Grand Montreal. NDG Reads was a big success - it was based on the format of the CBC's Canada Reads radio show and entailed 3 literary

events throughout the neighbourhood, with the final event being hosted by the NDG Cultural Centre and animated by CBC radio host Sue Smith.

• The Table was also actively supporting its own members in their various projects including Porchfest, la Semaine des Arts, Opera in the Parc, the Sherbrooke Forest and NDG Art Hives, and others.

• For the second straight year the Table partnered with Notre Dame des Arts on the December edition of their First Thursdays series (a platform to highlight local artists) at DG Kicks Exclusive Style. More than 60 people attended this wonderful event and we look forward to more collaborations. This is one of many efforts to implicate businesses and the Démarche Fielding Walkley into the Arts & Culture milieu



Impacts

• The Council played a critical role in helping small organizations and unofficial groups realize cultural projects by acting as a fiduciary to multiple projects. There are many funding opportunities available exclusively to registered nonprofits and this year demonstrated the clear need for this service in the community to support informal groups.

• The Table was essential to helping many partnerships form or be strengthened over the course of the extremely busy year in the arts - between organizations, resident-led initiatives, with the Borough and Ville de Montreal, and with other key funders





### Local Economy Coalition

The Local Economy Coalition (LEC) aims to promote and encourage access to employment, entrepreneurship, and labour in NDG.

#### **Key Results**

• Key actions were to develop and support a breakfast workshop series between core Coalition members Bienvenue à NDG and Carrefour Jeunesse Emploi to enable new arrivals to engage with human resource specialists from key employers from across Montreal. Successfully ran 6 number of breakfast workshop events reaching 87 number of new arrival job seekers

• The Table collectively supported Bienvenue à NDG submit a major funding application to Ville-MIDI, although it was unfortunately not retained.

- The Coalition (via the Council) provided some logistical support and board training to the fledgling Board of the NDG Merchants Association (BizNDG).
- The LEC conducted a survey on the viability of a co-working space for NDG; there was a very high rate of response to the survey, demonstrating a potentially important avenue for future work. 125+ people participated in the co-working space survey
- Financially supported BusinessX 360 networking event that brought 100+ local entrepreneurs and service providers together for casual interactions
- The Council contracted Mr. Alex Carruthers to conduct a survey of commercial businesses in western NDG, to create a portrait of the local business community and identify potential partners for projects and events in that part of NDG, particularly in Westhaven and Fielding-Walkley.

#### Impacts

- After the BizNDG group suffered through a period of internal conflict and Board turnover, the Council was able to to intervene and offer sufficient support to allow the newly-elected Biz-NDG Board members an opportunity to develop as active partners in the community that can work collaboratively with residents, the community sector, and businesses.
- Both through the funded and non-funded projects led by Bienvenue à NDG, the Table worked collaboratively to find solutions to support immigrant-status job seekers in their search for employment. The particularly high rates of new arrivals in the community makes this a top priority for Local Economic Development.

### **Tax Coalition**

This grouping of neighbourhood organizations offering tax services to families living on low or modest incomes aims to offer a quality service and allows a better management of resources and a better organization of the tax season. Coalition members are committed to maintaining the coalition and recruiting new partners.

- Two coalition meetings between the different partners,
- Sharing materials and volunteers during tax clinics,
- Sharing information to better serve the public, Impact

Service to residents is optimized through better communication between partners. A total of 702 residents were able to take advantage of the service this year thanks to the coalition and will be able to receive the multiple government financial assistance to which they are entitled.

### **Housing Table**

#### **Description & mandate:**

The NDG Housing Table is made up of organisations concerned with housing issues in NDG and surrounding areas.

#### **Results**:

- The Housing Table drafted and adopted an Action Plan for 2017 to 2019 and began to work towards its objectives.
- We organized a meeting of housing cooperatives in NDG to inform them of the housing table and to learn more about their needs.
- The Council continued to support the organization LogisAction in creating for the first time a full-time tenants' committee in NDG; to this end the NDG Community Council carried out 263 interventions between May and October 2017, at which point LogisAction had the capacity to deliver these services themselves.
- In partnership with LogisAction NDG and Prévention CDN-NDG did a door-to-door mobilization campaign in the Fielding-Walkley sector to raise awareness about the rights of tenants and services available to them. The project, which reached 530 households and served to give a better sense of the housing conditions in the neighbourhood.
- The NDG Housing Table also collaborated with the Mental Health Roundtable of the CIUSSS -du-Centre-Ouest on several occasions; the coordinators of the table consulted on a project of the roundtable developing a map and by speaking to the needs of our organizations with respect to tenants suffering from mental illness.
- Members of the Housing table participated in a strategy session of the Mental Health roundtable subcommittee on housing to apply for funding from PSOC for supported housing in the neighbourhood.
- As a result of this strategy session, approximately 25 housing units managed by our partner les Habitations Communautaires Notre-Dame-de-Grâce received funding in 2018 for domestic mental health services.

#### **Community impacts:**

Increased awareness of the Housing table in the community, Participation of local initiatives with other initiatives taking place at a regional level (i.e. CIUSSS mental health housing map, borough coalition), Supported the development of a dedicated service for tenants in the neighbourhood to provide information on their rights and support services, Raising awareness of housing issues to local policy-makers, increased public awareness of local housing issues through door-to-door mobilization, individual interventions and press conference, support for housing in mental health.





### **NDG Food Security Coalition**

#### Description & mandate:

The mission of the NDG Food Security Coalition is to work collectively to improve the capacity of its member organizations to act on food security issues in NDG. To this end, we regroup organizations on our territory which address hunger and develop collective actions against food insecurity informed by the environment in which our work takes place while developing tools and sharing resources to better equip individual actors in their day-to-day activities.

#### **Activities:**

- This year marked the final year of the current project financed by the DRSP to improve the access of NDG residents to fresh fruits and vegetables. Since 2015, the NDG Community Council has been a fiduciary for the Good Food Market project led by the NDG Food Depot with funding from the DRSP. In its existence, the Good Food Market has had a significant impact on the quality of life of residents in two priority sectors (Fielding-Walkley and St-Raymond) and the Food Security Coalition is happy to report that the NDG Food Depot will continue to operate these public markets.
- A consultant, hired by the Food Security Table with funding from Québec en Forme, completed and submitted an evaluation of the capacity of the table to act on food security issues.
- The Healthy Snacks Program for Youth in NDG brought together the NDG Food Depot with five community centres to develop a strategy around providing food for teens participating in youth programming at the centres.
- The Coalition lent its support to the Food Justice and Sustainability Research Project, which aims to support neighbourhood roundtables on food security across Montreal by providing them with tools for auto-evaluation and a shared space for networking and developing concerted actions to address hunger in Montreal.
- As per our partnership agreement with the Food Justice and Sustainability Research Project, the NDG Food Security Coalition will receive funding from the project for a period of two years starting in Fall 2018 to support their capacity to act as a partner.

#### **Community impacts**:

Strengthened the connections between concertation efforts around food security in NDG and regional initiatives (Food Justice & Sustainability Project), Developed insight into our own capacity to act which led to more strategic actions on our part, Supported our partners in meeting the alimentary needs of their clientele, Increased participation at the Food Table.



### Concertation

### **NDG Health Coalition**

#### Description & mandate:

The Working Group looks at issues surrounding access to the health system and seeks opportunities for collaboration which lead to improved access for all, with a particular focus on members of isolated communities, including youth, seniors, new arrivals, persons with precarious status, persons in need of mental health services and persons with low-income.



#### Key results:

The NDG Working Group on Health met 12 times between May 16 2017 and May 15 2018.

- The Working Group organized the first ever Community Health Forum in NDG on October 21st 2017, with 89 people attending over the course of the day. This event, which aimed to provide information to NDG residents on the various health services available to them, featured kiosks from over thirty local agencies and services. The event also featured a keynote address from Alan Maislin, President of the Board of Directors of CIUSSS-du-Centre-Ouest-de-l'Ile-de-Montréal, a panel discussion between Mr. Maislin, community activist Anne Usher and Paula Yiannapoulos, coordinator of Info-Santé, Info-Social and General Services at CSSS Cavendish, and eight thematic workshops on topics pertaining to various health needs of the population. The Community Health Forum was made possible by funding provided by the NDG Senior Citizens' Council through the Community Health and Social Services Network.
- The NDG Community Council also is a member, representing the Working Group on Health, at the Mental Health Roundtable of the CIUSSS-du-Centre-Ouest-de-l'Ile-de-Montreal. The Council attended the Mental Health Resource Fair on November 9 2017 and exchanged information about resources with several dozen organizations across the CIUSSS territory.

#### **Community impacts:**

Provided NDG residents with information on essential health services; created a forum in which community members could voice their concerns to local and regional healthcare administrators; built and strengthened partnerships with other non-profit organizations in NDG; mobilized residents around the issue of access to health services

### **Youth Table**

The Council continues to be a member of the youth Table and to support the Coordination of the Table . The Table Jeunesse consists of partner organisations who work with young people between the ages of 6 to 35 years old in NDG. The members of this group meet in order to consolidate their efforts and promote initiatives aimed at improving the health and quality of life of youth and their families.

Key results:

-Organizing the Jeux de la rue with the Table jeunesse de CDN - July 14th

-Aide aux devoirs committe has worked on a planification strategique

-Creation of a regroupement of youth tables and committees in Montreal



### Table 0-5

The Table ensures a continuum of actions to create favourable environments for families, parents and children in the Cavendish territory in their various stages of life, from pregnancy to school entry, through the mobilization and cooperation of all stakeholders in the community. The Table covers the territory of the former CSSS Cavendish, namely Notre-Dame-de-Grâce and Snowdon-Ouest and the towns of Côte-Saint-Luc, Montréal-Ouest and Hampstead

Key Results:

- The Council welcomes the Table coordinator in its offices which allows for better sharing and increased participation. The activities of the table are made possible thanks to Avenir-Enfant funding. This funding will end in 2020 and raises questions about the sustainability of the table.
- In addition to specific projects led by unique partner organizations, the Table (co)coordinates 4 major collective projects: Language Development in a Multilingual Context, Quality School Transition, In Action for Dads and Skills Development for Community Organizations.
- The Table also organizes activities for toddlers and their families by enhancing the programming of neighbourhood parties organized by the Community Council.
- This collaboration also aims to inform parents of the community resources available to them in the neighbourhood.

### **Intercultural Table**

Our long standing partnership with the intercultural table has been a great source of joy and accomplishment from Ramadan Night to the Intercultural Festival. The table aims to encourage the integration of NDG residents from different cultural and linguistic backgrounds and to offer opportunities to provide participation in Quebec society.

#### Key results:

- Ramadan night
- Intercultural Festival
- Lunar New Year
- Norooz New Year

#### Impacts

All the event and activities provided many positive cultural interaction in the neighborhood. By opening up the possibilities for cultural exchanges , the Table's activities encourage participation of residents from different cultural communities. The better understanding from NDGiers of the different traditions and cultures increase tolerance and minimize racism.



### **Round Table**

The Round Table meetings are a forum for exchange aimed at creating links and developing partnerships among the various community organizations that share the mission of improving the quality of life in Notre-Dame-de-Grâce by pooling their strengths. Round Tables are regular, bilingual and accessible meetings that highlight and attempt to respond to the multiple needs and interests of participants. They are open to representatives of community organizations, institutions and associations active in NDG, as well as to invited resources. The NDG Community Council coordinates this committee.

#### Main results:

- Analysis of a questionnaire for participants revealed that networking is the main asset of the NDG Roundtable. On this occasion, the organizations harmonized their efforts for the organization of pre-election public meetings: Meet the candidates.
- The three-year Strategic Plan is a collaborative initiative. Thus, the goals and objectives of the plan were presented to community organizations prior to approval by the Board of Council.
- The discussions highlighted the need to further clarify the objective of the strategic plan, to clarify its expected long-term impact. In addition, the importance of highlighting the implementation of the plan in the four (4) priority sectors was expressed.
- Follow-up on the evolution of the CDN-NDG Roundtable for Poverty Reduction (TRRP CDN/NDG). At the beginning of the creation of the \*TRRP CDN/NDG, the municipal administration then in place came to make the presentation. One year later, the NDG Round Table proposed a follow-up and an exchange on the activities carried out so far. This exchange allowed the organizations to ask the CDN/NDG TRRP to reflect on integrating an anti-oppression angle into its action plan and to clarify expectations.
- The Challenges of Community Communication. Information and reference are central elements of the Council's activity. The collection, dissemination and exchange of information in real time is complex. In response to this observation, the Round Table proposed a collaborative activity that provided a portrait of community communication needs and achievements.





### Services

#### **Logis Action**

An independent organization since September 2016, LogisAction continues to benefit from the support of the Community Council for its daily operations. The Council is proud to offer them a free (or several!) office space and access to equipment and meeting rooms to enable them to offer assistance and referral services to neighbourhood tenants, who are in need of advice on their current rental situation or in search of a new home. 564 tenants benefited from the service this year, both at the Council's offices and through their satellite services at the NDG Food Depot and the





#### **Tax clinics**

In 2018, in collaboration with the NDG Tax Coalition, the NDG Community Council had the opportunity to provide, for another year, free tax clinics in the 4 priority sectors. The Council's partners at the Food Depot, the Walkley Centre, the Westhaven Centre, the St-Raymond Center, Tango and the Benny Library provided their space, staff and internet connection for eight (8) "first come first serve" tax clinics. Two (2) 'Do it yourself 'workshop were also organised in partnership with Carrefour Jeunesse Emploi for residents to learn how to complete their own tax returns online. In total, near 500 residents had both their federal and provincial tax returns filled. Of course none of this would be possible without the help of 45 great volun-

#### Bonhomme à lunettes

Since 2016, the Council receives an affordable community optician's service for NDG residents. This initiative aims to facilitate access to essential services by focusing on proximity on the one hand and affordable rates on the other. Once a week, two opticians dispose of the Council's premises . This year, 311 people were served.



"Being a volunteer in Tax NDG is a wonderful experience! The whole program was well organized and very productive. When I saw the residents leaving with smile, I felt satisfied too. That's the joy of giving. Yanyan Zhang



#### Information and referral

The Council continues to work on updating the community resources . Making sure our residents are aware of the available services and activities in the neighborhood is one of the Council's mandate.

This year, we noted several outdated ressourced documents circulating in the community . We also found out several groups working on either updating their ressources or working on creating a tool to use during their outreach . We organised two meetings with partners to better evaluate the problem and provide solutions . The group also brought the issue to the Round Table .

In addition, to the information referrals at our offices, The Council provides a service point at Westhaven Community Center which receives one of our outreach workers since november 2017, every Thursday. St-Monica's Food Pantry, in Benny area, also receives one twice a month. This in an occasion for the Council to offer informations to the residents and to listen to their needs for the community. Those two services reached an average of 100 residents every month. A member of the Council's team also goes around neighborhood events to offer similar service to the participants.



#### "WHAT'S HAPPENING IN NDG?"

This newsletter showcases upcoming activities and news in NDG to 1600 subscribers: NDG residents, organizations, local artists, media partners and local elected representatives. We send valuable content that reminds them of a vibrancy and a power of our community. The Council wishes to make available any information that helps improve the quality of life and community networking. "What's happening in NDG?" e-letter shares information about job offers, volunteering and funding opportunities, community events and services as well as cultural life, new guides of resources created by us or our partners and promotes AGM's in NDG.

### Website NDG.CA

The website was created as a hub for all community representatives. For residents of NDG, it's a great source of information about many subjects they are interested in. For groups, this is an easy way to share information with all levels of NDG community.

This year we continue to support the power tool **"Community calendar"** that allow us to show activities in different categories. As an example, according to website statistic, we have 80K hits for announcement "La Ruche D'art, Sherbrooke Forest" as a service for a 3-5 months, 50K hits for "Tenant help and referral services", 26k hits for "Affordable optician service ".

Our website pages and calendar events have good positions in Google search that allow residents and partners find information faster and easy. According to 2017-2018 statistic, we have on average **6000 visitors of our website per month** from different sources.

We made accessible the Electronic version of the NDg Resources Map (pdf) on our website, newsletter, social platforms and **it was downloaded 700 times**.

Couple years ago we launched our official Facebook page. This tool is growing fast. Our official Facebook page evolution: 2016 – 250 likes, 2017 – 380 likes or followers, now **we have 660 fol-lowers**.



### Services

#### **Online Resource Center and Guides.**

The ndg.ca website features an extensive resource center aimed at providing local information and referrals to NDG residents.

**12 guides** with the most actual listings, frequently asked questions and useful links represent helpful source. This section of the website receives many visits, and reflects the

I have been helping students from around the world adapt for life in Canada by learning English. In class I try to stimulate students into conversation using the audio-visual equipment the NDG Community Council generously provides, along with a classroom. I'm grateful to this organization and the services it provides. Carol Lakoff



#### Second Language Conversation Groups

At the Council, we hosted four amazing volunteer facilitators for both French and English conversation groups. These gatherings receive between 6 to 15 recurring members who come to practice a second language. The idea behind these meetings was to offer a space where residents can come practice without the sometimes overbearing weight of curriculums and standardized testing. So far both, the animators and the learners enjoy meeting up almost everyday as the groups run 4 days a week.



Being with new immigrants and watching them work so hard to learn our about or Quebecois and Canadian culture is such a pleasure. All those I've met have all been nice people and hard workers. After a class or 2 they often bring a friend. It's such a pleasure to deal with interesting and interested people from different cultures. My last class I watched an Iranian learning from a Korean, both speaking in a language that's new to both of them. Lindsay Morrison



I truly appreciate the volunteer opportunities I have had the privilege to partake in with the Council. I was able to meet people who work in the community in their respective roles and feel connected to my community and my neighborhood. Not only does it belong to me, but I belong!!! **Dana Stewart** 

A large part of our work is to empower NDG residents to become active participants in building a better community. The Council works together with residents to break down social isolation and

improve access to resources. We have a large scope of outreach initiatives aimed at gathering residents and promoting services in the neighborhood. The following is a summary of initiatives we supported this year.

#### **Neighborhood Parties**

Each year, the NDG Community council host a number of neighborhood festivities in each priority sector. Key community actors and partners come together to organise an event for residents seeking to have a nice neighborly time. Residents look forward to these events as it offers multiple opportunities for community engagement throughout the year. In 2017, all four priority sectors held their own event, such as St-Raymond's Harvest Festival, Benny Community BBQ, Westhaven Neighborhood Party - in conjunction with the Food Depot's Good Food Picnic and Walkley's neighborhood party . A total of 519 of residents were reached.



#### Jane's Walks

Jane's Walks are an international festival that encourage people to explore neighbourhoods on foot to share stories and uncover unseen aspects of a city. The Council took the lead in working with residents in priority sectors to organize multiple local Jane's Walks that helped show off NDG's diversity and history. This year, Saint-Raymond, Benny-Farm and Walkley each held a Jane's Walk reaching a total of 50 individuals.

#### Park(ing) Day

Park(ing) Day is an international event designed to celebrate everyday choices for sustainable mobility and to advocate for favorable urban amenities by taking over a parking spot. Saint-Raymond, Benny and Walkley held their own eclectic version of parking day from coffee shops to hot dog stands to art and craft stations to a game of dominos! All gatherings were reflective of what residents wanted to see more of in the neighborhood. All three parking spots received a total of 150 residents in the area.



Parking Day 2017—Fielding-Walkley

#### Outreach worker meeting

Outreach workers are the life and soul of every community organisation, as such an appreciation brunch was organized in order to celebrate and thank NDG's mobilizers. During the brunch, the lived experiences, needs, and practices of 7 outreach workers from across NDG were discussed in the hopes of finding a common thread between workers and neighbourhoods. Across the priority sectors, mobilizers expressed a need for up to date resource materials, specialized networking and training opportunities as well as a personal touch to information referral. A survey was also sent to get the information from 19 outreach workers in NDG.



### **Mobilization**

#### **NDG Reads**

Combat des Livres NDG Reads brought the tradition of CBC Reads to NDG. This event brings books to life through animated debate and competition to declare the must read Montreal novel. The inaugural Combat des Livres NDG Reads was organized by the Council with key funding coming from the Fondation du Grand Montreal.



- Some Highlights
- Author appearance Heather Camlot, author of Clutch, attended the first community event that was held at REP NDG.
- Author appearance Claire Holden, Author of My October attended the last community event at the NDG Cultural Centre and was honored as the book to read
- Catering Three Sisters Catering at the Gala Soiree provided delicious traditional Indigenous food that kept the crowd socializing until every last bite was eaten.
- Dance performance by the Loyola Dance Program was spellbinding.

Opening remarks by Elder Joe Jacobs from Kahnawake were inspiring and thought provoking.







### **Mobilization**

#### **Residents committees**

Resident groups around NDG operate under many different names like Saint-Raymond Action Group, Resident Dinner, Westhaven Resident Committees, ...These committees are used as a safe space meant to gather, support and connect residents of all walks of life.



#### Benny Community Yard sale

The yard sale is an opportunity for residents to make some extra revenue thus stimulating the local economy. This event also provides ample opportunity for residents of all over NDG to meet their neighbors.In september 2017, we held the 1st Benny community yard sale in which 22 families got involved to enjoy the day.

#### Winter 101

In the middle of January, when the snow and the cold are surrounding us, we hold an event supported by our MNAs and in collaboration with Jeunesse Benny aiming at integrating newly arrived and isolated families to the winter fun. Kids got to take a shot at skating, skiing and snow games while parents enjoyed each others company in the gym at St-Monica's school. Lunch and treats gathered everybody and brought smile even to those whom are scared of our cold weather. The event was a success with over 110 participants.

#### Lunar New Year

NDG 2018 Lunar New Year celebrated the year of the dog and was held at the Monkland Community Center. This event was created to offer strong cultural bonds, to inspire, to enhance social relationships and enable immigrant populations to be involved in the community. Lunar New Year offers traditional Chinese snacks and traditional performances in addition to cultural kiosks which includes Chinese painting, dog crafts, lanterns, traditional fireworks and chopsticks activity, etc

This year we attempt to include the Korean and Vietnamese community . We had several meeting to work on ways to collaborate . We succeed to have some Korean participation Next year we will work again on this partnership .







### **Mobilization**

#### **Public Assemblies: Meet the Candidates**

Pre-election public assemblies are essential events during election periods because in the Council's vision, the expression of the citizen's voice and citizen engagement contribute to improving the quality of life in the neighbourhood. For the first time, given the high number of candidates, 3 assemblies were organized to have adequate speaking time for all! All partner organizations were invited to develop questions reflecting issues common to all community stakeholders. Two themes were addressed. One of the questions dealt with the increase of the minimum wage to \$15/hour for municipal employees and the second on the use of vacant spaces and their accessibility to community groups. In addition, the Council received logistical support from partner Head and Hands.





#### Healthy and Sustainable Transportation

Tandem CDN-NDG, the Association of Pedestrians and Cyclists of NDG, and the NDG Community Council hosted a discussion on the benefits of sustainable transportation and its effects on community life. 22 participants

#### **Door to Door**

This year's community workers used a classic method for mobilisation geared at reaching are more vulnerable and isolated populations. Face to Face contact with residents enables the council to offer on the spot referrals, encouraging community engagement. Each door offer a humbling new discovery that reminds of the importance of community development. We have met parents who use food pantries across Montreal. We have talked to residents whose walls are covered in mold. Some residents, we came to discover, do not have regular access to internet making it increasingly hard to contact them with new opportunities.

#### **Centraide Walk**

Centraide March happened October 4th: The Council gathered over 40 people for a breakfast before the march, thanks to a collective effort by all Council employees, including Jing Bai, community worker for the chinese community, who mobilized over 15 people from the Chinese community and ensured that she had someone who could do Mandarin/English/French translation.





The NDG Community Council supports many residents initiatives with in-kind contributions or financiary when possible. The objectives of this support is to link those participants with existing resources and mobilise them to be an active part of our community.

The Council continues to incubate services and act as a fiduciary for others. This year, we worked on a policy to regulate our work as fiduciary. We acted as fiduciary for more that 10 organisations and initiatives.

### **Chinese Seniors Group**

With the amazing work of our Chinese Community Mobilizer; a chinese senior group has formed in NDG! They seek new knowledge with different workshops around housing or French language skills. As an ethnic group, they feel heard in the community and often support the council in other activities.



#### Persian Seniors Group

Since September, a devoted volunteer helps seniors from persian community to hold a gathering every friday evening at the Council office. As a group, they were seeking a space where no one would impose their mandate on them; letting be free to do the activities of their choice. Ultimately, the group has grown in membership and it allows them to keep in touch. They are happy to have this space to play music, eat together and play games.

#### Motherland

This group was created by a stay at home mom in need of peer support. They now are 7-10 mothers who meet weekly with their young children and do school preparation activities as well as educative games. This is an opportunity for both those children and mothers to socialize and share experiences.

#### Halloween in the Melrose Tunnel

The decorating of the Melrose Tunnel is a Saint-Raymond tradition that gains in popularity every year. Attendance for the resident-led painting and crafting of tunnel reached well over 75 people. This activity demonstrates how mobilized the sector has become over the years!

The Council has been a beacon of Resident Engagement Empowerment in NDG. I have seen the Council enthusiastically offer support for residents with big ideas of ways to improve their neighborhoods, for myself and for many others. **Yvette Salinas** 



### **Residents Initiatives**

#### **NDG Christmas Community Dinner**

The Annual NDG Community Christmas Dinner is in its 40-something-th year. The Diner still goes strong, and is a total volunteer effort entirely supported by hundreds of community citizens. The 2017 Dinner served 999 meals--we received 65 turkeys by members of the "West End" community --all bought, cooked and delivered to St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish Church. While we're at it, we sincerely thank St. Ignatius for its community spirit in allowing us to use their facilities without charge and a huge thank you to all the volunteers and donors. We don't have to name you because you know who you are. And that's enough for us.

We'll be back in 2018 (on December 25, of course) and look forward to seeing everyone from the community. By the way, if a group wants to come to the Dinner and sit together, let us know and we'll reserve a table. Contact us at the NDG Community Council office.

The NDG Community Christmas Dinner Group

#### Porchfest NDG

Following its successful debut in 2015, the Council was once again proud to be the fiduciary for the 3rd edition of the Porchfest music festival in May 2017. Held over 2 days with more than 100 musical performances spread across the neighbourhood, the festival brought thousands of people out as spectators, including many who came to NDG from other parts of Montreal, and raised 4500\$ in donations for the Westhaven Music program. Porchfest has quickly become a staple of NDG's cultural scene and the partnership between the Council and the Porchfest team is as strong as ever. We will continue in our supporting role for 2018 and beyond.

#### NDG Art Hive

The NDG Art Hive is a free, bilingual, accessible community art studio operating in community spaces throughout NDG. In the past year, the NDG Art Hive has expanded its reach and impact through new sites and expanded partnerships. Given our roots on the south-side of NDG and the needs in that part of the neighbourhood, we created open studio time in the HLM St Raymond on Saturdays while the chalet in Girouard Park underwent major renovations. A dedicated group of residents, summer staff and facilitator kept this Hive humming while also participating in a few collective projects with our friends at the Sherbrooke Forest Art Hive, the Senior's Atelier and our "pop-up" team at Benny Library.

We joined with Art Walk and NDG Arts Week and partners for the Art Hive meet-up and the NDG Art Hop last summer and supported the annual puppet show and the Cheap Art Collective. We also supported the annual decorating of Melrose Tunnel. On the anniversary of the Quebec City Mosque shooting, we collected food for the local Islamic Food Bank and made cards of peace for our Muslim neighbours, donating furniture and supplies to a possible Hive project by and for this community.

We also worked with NDGAW to decorate Monkland for the holidays with beautiful handmade flags carrying messages of hope and peace. As our collective rounds the corner into our 4th programming season, we envision our return to the chalet in Girouard park with expanded hours and yearround programming.



#### APPENDIX 1 TABLES AND COMMITTEES

#### The Council's Permanent Committees: (20)

\*The Director sits on all the committees

**Executive Committee:** Andrew Ross -President, , Susan Clarke-Vice President ,Hans Heisinger,Treasurer,Terri Ste Marie, Secretary

Human Resources Committee: John Richardson, Terri Ste Marie, Sheri Mcleod , Lindsey Whitelaw Finance Committee: Hans Heisinger , Susan Clarke

Nominating Committee and Membership Committee: Louis Legault James Olwell, Helen Fortin, Rita Del Grande, Jonathan Picaizien, Pamela Adriano, Yingnun Sun

Communications Committee: Andrew Ross, Irina Glusko, Steve Charters

#### 1. NDG Round Table Planning Committee (7)

Graziella Bieto (NDG Community Council), Nikki Schiebel (Éco-Quartier NDG), Gail Tedstone (Resident), Despina Sourias (CJE), Andrea Clark (Head and Hands) Halah Al-Ubaidi (NDG Community Council), Bonnie Soutar (Dépôt alimentaire)

#### 2. COCO-PS (Strategic Plan Coordination Committee) (14)

1 Resident, NDG Arts and Culture Table, NDG Food Depot, NDG Community Council, CJE NDG, CIUSSS du Centre-Ouest de Montréal, Table Jeunesse, Bienvenue à NDG, Éco-quartier CDN-NDG, NDG Senior Citizens Council, Arrondissement de DN NDG, Prévention CDN NDG, Table 0-5 Cavendish, Logis Action NDG, 3 Consultants. Coordination: NDG Community Council.

#### 2.1: COCO-PS (Steering Committee)

NDG Community Council, CIUSSS du Centre-Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal, Table 0-5 Ans Cavendish, Table Jeunesse NDG, Head & Hands, 3 consultants.

# 2.2.1: Action Planning Task Force for Goal 1: Increase Capacity of Community Organizations Offering Services in NDG

NDG Community Council, CIUSSS du Centre-Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal, NDG Arts Week, PAAL Montreal, Fondation de la Visite, YMCA NDG, NDG Senior Citizens' Council, Bienvenue à NDG, 8 Residents, 2 Consultants. Coordination: Head & Hands.

#### 2.2.2: Action Planning Task Force for Goal 2: Increase Availability of Long-term, Accessible and Multipurpose Buildings and Green Spaces for Organizations and Residents

NDG Community Council, Maison Mosaik, Éco-Quartier NDG, Bienvenue à NDG, NDG Food Depot, Westhaven Community Centre, UrbaNature, 8 Residents, 2 Consultants. Coordination: NDG Community Council 2.2.3: Action Planning Task Force for Goal 3: Enhance Opportunities for Employment and Economic Development

NDG Community Council, CJE NDG, Agence Ometz, 9 Residents. Coordination: NDG Community Council and CJE NDG.

**2.2.4: Action Planning Task Force for Goal 4: Increase Availability and Quality of Affordable Housing** NDG Community Council, Prévention CDN-NDG, CJE NDG, 11 Residents, 2 Consultants. Coordination: NDG Community Council and Logis Action NDG.

# 2.2.5: Action Planning Task Force for Goal 5: Increase Access to and Diversity and Quality of Public and Community Services.

Habitations Communautaires NDG, Maison Transitionnelles O3- On Our Own, Coup de Balai, NDG Food Depot, Habitat for Humanity, Groupe CDH, ROMEL, CIUSSS du Centre-Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal, Prévention CDN NDG-TANDEM CDN-NDG, NDG Senior Citizens' Council, OMHM, Transitions Vers la Communauté, 4 Residents, 2 Consultants. Coordination: NDG Community Council and Prévention CDN-NDG.

#### 3. Intercultural Table NDG: (8)

Carrefour Jeunesse Emploi NDG, Table de Jeunesse ,CSSS Cavendish, NDG Food Depot, Bienvenue à Notre -Dame-de-Grâce, NDG Community Council, SPVM poste 11, Marie-Josée Mastromonaco (CSDM).

#### 4. Local Economy Coalition (6)

NDG Community Council, Carrefour Jeunesse Emploi NDG (Co-Coordinator), Les Gens d'affaires NDG, Bienvenue à NDG, Agence Ometz, Shadd Business Centre



#### APPENDIX 1 (suite)

#### 5. Food Security Coalition (20)

Transition NDG/Incredible Edibles, NDG Food Depot, NDG Senior Citizens' Council, River's Edge Community Meal, Walkley Center, Walkley Center - Fruits de la communauté, Le Cycle AlimenTerre, St. Thomas church, Arrondissement CDN/NDG, ICNA Relief Montreal Resource Center & Food Bank, City Farm School, CSDM Déjeuner pour apprendre, Purple Hope Project, Mercy Food Kitchen, Head & Hands, St. Monica's Food Pantry, New Hope, Forward House, Congregation Beth Ariel. Co-coordination : CIUSSS-CO -CSSS Cavendish and NDG Community Council

#### 6. Housing Table (10)

Habitations Communautaires NDG, Maison Transitionnelles O3- On Our Own, Coup de Balai, NDG Food Depot, Habitat for Humanity, Groupe CDH, ROMEL, CIUSSS du Centre-Ouest-de-l'Île-de-Montréal, Prévention CDN NDG-TANDEM CDN-NDG, NDG Senior Citizens' Council, OMHM, Transitions Vers la Communauté. Co-coordination: NDG Community Council and Logis Action NDG

#### 7. Table de concertation 0-5-Cavendish

Head and Hands (Young Parents Program), Benny Library, Côte Saint-Luc Public Library, Bienvenue à NDG, Bureau coordonnateur des services de garde en milieu familial – Secteur Cavendish, Walkley Community Centre, CIUSSS-CODIM - CLSC Benny Farm,English Montreal School Board, NDG Community Council, CPE Château des neiges / Installation Petit Flocon, CPE Les copains d'abord, CPE Lieu de petits / Installation Petites Chenilles, École des Amis-du-Monde - CSMB, École Enfant du monde - CSDM, École Marc Favreau - CSDM, École Mosaïque - CSMB, École Notre-Dame-de-Grâce, Women on the rise, Fondation de la Visite, Garderie éducative Juliette, Léa et Cie, Garderie Les Enfants du Paradis, Maison Elizabeth House, Maisons transitionnelles 03 – On our own, Mosaïk Family Resources, Parents engagés pour la petite enfance (PEP), Prévention NDG, City of Côte-Saint-Luc (Parks and Recreation Department), YMCA – Notre-Dame-de-Grâce, NDG Art Hive.

#### 8. Table de Concertation Jeunesse (24)

Food depot, Batshaw Youth and Family Centres, Bienvenue à Notre-Dame-de-Grâce,CJE NDG, Comité jeunesse NDG, Centre communautaire St-Raymond, Commissaire scolaire CSDM, CSDM Réseau Ouest, CSSS Cavendish, École secondaire Saint-Luc (Annexe), English Montreal School Board, Royal West Academy , Head and Hands, Loisirs sportifs CDN-NDG, Loyola Centre, NDG Community Council, Prevention CDN-NDG, Québec Board of Black Educators, Service des sports, loisirs et développement social – Ville de Mtl , SPVM Poste de quartier 11 NDG , Centre Walkley , Elmhurst-Westhaven Community Association , YMCA NDG, Table de concertation jeunesse NDG

#### 9. The Arts and Culture Table (20)

The Cheap Art Collective, La Ruche D'art NDG, La Ruche D'art Sherbrooke Forest, Cinéma NDG, NDG Arts Week, Arts Walk, Productions Alma Viva, Porchfest, NDG Off The Wall, Les Ateliers d'histoire, Montreal West -End Operatic Society, Rep NDG 375, Prevention CDN-NDG, This Really Happened, Notre Dame des Arts, Ateliers des Arts, Cycle Alimenterre, The Native Immigrant, PAAL, Centre culturel de NDG

#### 10. Westhaven Neighbourhood Committee (11)

2 residents, Westhaven Community Center, Prevention CDN-NDG (Tandem), CIUSSS du Centre-Ouest-del'Île-de-Montréal, NDG Food Depot, CDN-NDG Borough, NDG Senior Citizens Council, SPVM, Concordia University (Office of Community Engagement), NDG Community Council.

#### 11. Working Group on Healthcare (6)

Conseil Communautaire de Notre-Dame-de-Grâce, Bienvenue à NDG, Head & Hands, NDG Senior Citizens Council, African-Canadian Development & Prevention Network, 4 residents

#### 12. CDN NDG Borough Poverty Round Table (15)

Initiative of the Previous Mayor of CDN NDG Borough, continued by Ms. Montgomery, inspired by the Tamarac institute, members from different stakeholders working on a plan to reduce poverty in the Borough. The Council also sit on the Coordination committee.



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#### 13. Fielding Walkley Partners Committee (35)

Borough CDN NDG, CSDM Commissaire Notre-Dame-de-Grâce, Table de concertation sur la sécurité alimentaire NDG, CIUSSS-CO (CSSS Cavendish), Médecins du monde, École Les enfants du monde, OMHM, Centraide du Grand Montréal, Police de quartier 11 (SPVM), Comité Jeunesse de Notre-Dame-de-Grâce, Éco -Quartier Notre-Dame-de-Grâce, Association du développement jeunesse Loyola, CJE NDG, Table de concertation jeunesse NDG, NDG Food Depot, PEP, YMCA Notre-Dame-de-Grâce, Maison de La Famille Mosaik, Coup de balai, Quebec Board of Black Educators, Habitations Sherbrooke Forest, Habitations Communautaires NDG (HCNDG), Centre Walkley, Commission scolaire English-Montréal, La Fondation de la Visite , NDG Senior Citizens' Council, Agente de liaison et mobilisation citoyenne du secteur Fielding-Walkley, Association des locataires Mayfair, Conseil Communautaire NDG, Bienvenue à NDG, Tandem - Prévention CDN/ NDG, Table de concertation 0-5 ans Cavendish, DG Kicks Exclusive Style, Association of Pedestrian & Cyclists NDG, Coordination –Council Staff

#### 14. Benny Farm Collective (13)

On our Own Transitional Housing, Project Chance, Benny Farm Families, Prevention CDN-NDG, Habitations Tango, Sherbrooke Forest, Cooperative Housing Zoo, Residents from Prince of Wales ABCD and V, Residents from Monkland 6510, Eco-Quartier, Ville de Montreal (Library and Cultural Centre) Monkland Community Center, Sharkx Basketball, Residents from Sherbrooke Forest, Art Hive Sherbrooke Forest, EMSB, Centre Jeunesse Benny and new to the territory Head & Hands

#### 15. La Coalition montréalaise des tables de quartier (CMTQ) (30)

Groups 30 "Tables de concertation" that works on local social development in Montreal. The CMTQ intervenes on common issues to the neighbourhood such as local social development, improving the quality and living conditions of the residents, the fight against poverty and social exclusion, and the exercise of active citizenship. The CMTQ also works to promote the Tables de Quartier and their finances. On average 6 meetings per year in addition to two thematic meetings.

#### 16. Regroupement intersectoriel des organismes communautaires de Montréal (RIOCM)

#### 17. Le Regroupement des comités logement et associations de locataires du Québec (RCLALQ)

is a militant organisation for the defense and promotion of housing rights that advocates for measures to control the private market, while promoting the right of association and more access to justice for tenants.

#### 18. St Raymond Neighbourhood Committee (10)

NDG Community Council; St Raymond Community Centre; St Raymond Action Group; Prevention CDN-NDG; Shadd Business School; Cheap Art Collective; NDG Art Hive; Sauvons la falaise; NDG Food Depot; Arrondissement CDN-NDG

#### 19 Coalition d'impôt NDG (7)

NDG Community Council, NDGSCC, CIUSS, CJE NDG, Dépôt Alimentaire NDG, Forward House, Sherbrooke Forest.



#### **APPENDIX 2: Volunteers & Participants**

#### **Council Volunteers:**

Abraham McDowall, Ali Mousavi-Torbati, Alzubra Sheikh, Andre Couture, Anne Usher, April Defalco, Annika Cuzner, Asma Beninez, Ayana Potts, Azza Ahmed, Barbara Levick, Benny Kong, Boris Biberdzic, Bruce Lee, Carol Lakoff, Cindy Mckay, Cypriss Campbell, Dana Stewart, David Lapointe, Deanne Delaney, Debra Fogel, Deslyn Nelson, Erika Maria Valencia, Fouzia Mounir, Howard johnson, Isabel Abellan, Jacqueline Rockman, Jason Savard, Jill Kinaschuk, Joan Smith Hongoh, Joanne Lemieux, John Richardson, Juanita Rodriguez, Judith Brown, Julia Marie Burns, Justin Santillo, Karyn Farley, Kimberly Salt, Laurel Tidman, Linda Astbury, Linda Jewers, Lindsay Morrison, Lisa Mintz, Madelene Sebaldt, Marie Josée Perreault, Marie-Josée Perreault, Marya Kravchule, Melanie Stuy, Michael Clague, Miranda Potts, Mursalin Rana, Nadia Niaizy, Nancy Cozier, Nooshin Magrhebian, Olivia Evans, Paris O'Brien Meikle, Pascal Salzman, Paul Cargnello, Paula Merriman, Rachel Mitchie, Rebecca Loedenthal, Rhonda Mitchell Minxia Chen, Rob Shuter, Ruth Boomer, Sanchita Rahman, Sara Amri, Sawsan Abdulrahman, Shelagh Glover, Simeon Pompey, Stevie Souvenir, Tamar Wolofsky, Tamlyn Webb, Varainja Stock, Vincent Cozier Lefebvre, Yonger Xie, Yvette Salinas, Esther Fukuyama, Jackson Frank **And many many more!** 

#### Chinese Lunar new year:

Alice Leung,Amy Wang,Anna Nie,Baowei Wu,Charles Mohapel,Chong Li,Chune Gan,Flavia Jialin Yu,Guanglei Diao,Guiqin Li,Guoguo Yin,Hanrui Li,Hashiguchi Ibuki,Hongmei Liu,Hongmin Gao,Huiping Nie,Jinmei Li,Juanita de Garavito,Jun Tang,Luo Guoyi,Nooshin Maghrebian,Ping Liu,Qian Chen,Raphael Chen Ghahveh Rokhi,Raza Ghahveh Rokhi,Shaowei Sun,Shizhe Huang,Taixiang Wang,Tian Qiu,Wei He,Xia Li,Xiaomeng Li,Xinyue Zhang,Yanjing Lai,Yanli Zhou,Yichen Shao,Yingnan Sun,Zhencheng Ma,Zhuang Yan,Zou Danguo,Zou Jun

Performance organization: L'école Mus'Art,LB Martial Studio,Monkland Community Center,Montreal Chinese Chamber of Commerce,Montreal Chinese Children's Choir,Montreal Korean Language and Culture Center,NDG La Mei Hua Chinese Choir Group,PAMANA Philippine Folkloric Dance Company,Zhiling Que School

Sponsors: Dix Mille Villages,Iris Florist,Montreal Children's Hospital,Multicultural Academy Canada,North Star Art Education,Prevention NDG,Super Dollars,You's Atelier

**Income tax clinics:** Adnen Akrout, Ahmed Haddad, Ascher Berros, Ayoub Bourhim, Boris Kolodner, Dawood Zadmehr, Debbie Richardson, Dmitry Bashmakov, Elham Alizadeh, Erika Maria Valencia, Esther Fukuyama, Felibeth Gayongala, France Galavis,Gabriella Sobodker, Ghasem Nejat, Hossein Ghorbani, Janie Darbesson, Jannes Suson, Jessica Rosen, Jill St-Hilaire, José Ignacio Loaiza, Khadijat Titilayo Ajao-Babaranti, Lahbari Hassan, Linghong Chen, Lya Pierre-Ruddock, Mai Nguyen, Maryam Habibi, Maryam Mardan, Maryam Saadatian, Mohammad (sasan) Maleki, Mossou Akouba Sahou, Ouardi Ghita, Parisa Reisi, Saman Mehraban, Sandra Prillo, Shahir Karami(Shervin), Shirley Simpson, Shuyu Chen, Soraya Limam, Steve Weir, Susan Jafaritirabadi, Tatiana-Alexis Payeur, Wei Wang, Yacine Ould-Chalal, Yanyan Zhang,Yuanyuan Pan

#### **Christmas Dinner:**

Every year, the overwhelming response from the community means that volunteers become too many to mention. Their contribution is essential and we extend our gratitude to all.



#### **APPENDIX 2** (suite)

#### **Task Force Participants:**

Capacity Building: Adrian Warnock-Graham, Adrienn Lukacs, Andrea Clarke, Galia Benatuil, Geneviève Polèse, Jason Rivest, Katherine Duhamel-Laflèche, Maryam Nasr, Minda Miloff, Rafael Benitez, Renate Betts, Rich Hovey, Sam Boskey, Sheri McLeod, Suzanne De Jonge, Sylvie Laferrière

Increase Availability of Space: Holly McIntyre, Lisa Mintz, Michelle Baxter, Nikki Schiebel, Roxanne Primeau, Steve Charters, Taharima Habib

Employment & Economic Development: Adebimpe Durojaiye Matti, Christina Richardson, Daniela Chivu, Despina Sourias, Eva Koumaglo, Ian Gurudata, Kimberly Salt, Mario Polèse, Melanie Lallouz, Olajide Adefila, Sharon Sweeney, Yawa Nyakpo

Housing: Anne Petitclerc, Emily Cuellar-Villeneuve, Esther Fukuyama, Fahimeh Delavar Angela Aldinucci, Lori Goodhand, Marie-Charles Boivin, Patricia Pernica,

Mobilized and Engaged Residents: Anne Usher, Aurelia Roman, Cindy McKay, Debra Fogel, Graziella Bieto-Challenger, Howard Johnson, Jennifer Chapman, Jing Sun, John Richardson, Miranda Potts, Shimul Nusrat



#### **APPENDIX 3: Activities, meetings and events of the Council**

Date	Activity	Participants
This year the Board and staff of the Council had several meeting with NDG elected officials . The meetings were during our Board meetings and at the Board and Staff retreat. Some of the issues discussed are : Partnership with the Borough , Community Space and vacant building in the neighbourhood as possible community assets , Economic development and supporting local business , employment and summer student program , Information referral service		
17 May 20167	Regular Board meeting	9 Board + Director +1 staff
26 July 2017	Oruientation Meeting	3 New Board + Director
30 August 2017	Regular Board meeting	7 Board + Director
10 October 2017	Regular Board meeting	9 Board + Director
6 December 2017	Regular Board meeting	9 Board + Director
17 November 2017	Board and Staff Retreat Guests Sue Montgomer, Mayor , Daniel sanger de cabinet, Louis Legault ex	22 Board and Staff + 3 guests
24 January 2018	Regular Board meeting and meeting with Ms Kath- leen Weil and Ms. Louise Sansregret	9 Board + Director
14 March 2018	Regular Board meeting with the School Commis- sioners CSDM Marie –José Masromonaco , EMSB	20 Board and Staff
16 May 2018	Regular Board meeting and meeting with City Councillors Mr. Peter Mcqueen and Mr, Christian Arseneault	22 Board and Staff
	Total	120 participants

Public Assemblies		
2017-10-16	Les Conseillers du District de Notre -Dame-de-Grâce	50
2017-10-18	les trois (3) candidats à la mairie	125
2017-10-20	Les Conseillers du District de Loyola	120
	total	295
Round Tables		
	Round Table: Survey of Round Table participants and Par-	
2017-09-13	ticipation in elections by community groups	30
2017-11-14	Round Table: Presentation of the Strategic Plan	25
2018-02-07	Round Table: Follow-up Round Table on poverty reduction	44
	Round Table: State of Community Communication in NDG:	
2018-04-10	Information Sharing and Circulation	37
	Total	136



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Dates	Activities	Number of participants
Westhaven		
2017-08-03	Westhaven Neighborhood Party	22
Start date: 2018-02-	Resident Committee	6
Start date: 2017-11-	Information & Referral Desk	30
2017-10-05 2017-08	Westhaven Neighborhood Committee	10
2017-11-08	Westhaven Recreation Center Board of directors	8
	total	76
Saint-Raymond		
Start date: 2017-06-	Saint-Raymond Partner Committee	10
2017-10-15	Saint -Raymond Harvest Festival	90
2017-05-06	Jane's Walk St Raymond	10
2017-06-11	Manifestation pour la Dalle-Parc dans le projet Turcot	150
2017-09-22	PARKing Day St Raymond	100
2017-10-01	Melrose Tunnel Decorating	75
Start Date: 2017-08-	Saint-Raymond Community Dinner	22
	total	447
Benny	lota	++/
2017-08-20	Benny Community BBQ	100
2017-09-15		
Every 3rd and 4th	St-Monica Food Pantry Information Kiosk	
2017-06-01 2017-08-		100
2018-03-01		10
2018-01-23		11
2017-05-05	Jane's Walk	20
2017-09-17	Community Yard Sale	100
2018-01-27	Winter 101	75
	Total	341
Walkley-Fielding		
2017-09-12	Walkley-Fielding Fête de Quartier	150
2017-09-22	PARKing Day	
2018-01-27	Walkley New Year Pot Luck Supper	
2017-05-05	Jane's Walk	20
	Fielding Walkley Community Meeting re: Public Transpor-	30
	Resident Group Meetings	
	Total	265



Tax Clinics		
11 mars 2018, 22 mars 2018, 25 mars 2018	Three (3) Volunteer Training Sessions	45
6 avril, 7 avril, 9 avril, 13 avril, 16 av-		
ril, 20 avril, 26 avril , 28 avril 2018	Eight (8) Regular Tax Clinics	426
27 mars 2018, 03 avril 2018	Two (2) Do it yourself Tax Workshop	13
	Total	484



#### **APPENDIX 4: Acronyms**

The Council	NDG Community Council
CIQ	Concertation Interquartier
OMHM	Office municipal d'habitations de Montréal
CMTQ	Coalition montréalaise des Tables de quartier
CJE	Carrefour Jeunesse-Emploi
MIDI	Ministère de l'Immigration, diversité et inclusion
CIUSSS	Centre intégré universitaire de santé et de services sociaux
MTESS	Ministère du Travail, de l'Emploi et de la Solidarité sociale
DCSLDS	Direction de culture, des sports, des loisirs et du développement – Fonds de développement social
SPVM	Service de Police de la Ville de Montréal
FRAPRU	Front d'action populaire en réaménagement urbain
RCLALQ	Regroupement des Comités Logement et Associations de Locataires du Québec
RIOCM	Regroupement intersectoriel des organismes communautaires de Montréal
ROMEL	Le regroupement des organismes du Montréal ethnique pour le logement
DRSP	Direction Régional de Santé Publique
FTQ	Fond de Solidarité





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