

Dear members and supporters of Y4Y Quebec,

Much has transpired at Y4Y Quebec over the last few months. Here are some highlights!

#### **Y4Y HIRES FULL-TIME DIRECTOR**

We are thrilled to announce that we've hired Scott Fleming, PhD (Canadian History) as the Director of Y4Y Quebec. Scott's role is to assist the board members in completing the association's projects, and to oversee the day-to-day operations. With his significant experience in campaign management, board governance and research about the history of relations between English- and French-speakers in Canada, we are in good hands!



**Gabiela Naverrete-Rolls (Director of Communications, Y4Y Quebec) and Scott Fleming (Staff Director, Y4Y Quebec) exchanging fashion ideas after a work meeting at the Y4Y Quebec office.**

#### **NEW OFFICE SPACE FOR Y4Y QUEBEC**

Y4Y Quebec has moved into an office! We are located at 5964, avenue Notre-Dame-de-Grâce, Suite 204, in the beautiful Montreal neighbourhood of NDG. Thanks to a partnership with the NDG Community Council, our Director has his own workspace where volunteers can come for meetings, complete with a boardroom and private meeting room. All are welcome to visit! Please call 514-612-2895 to book an appointment.

## YOUTH CONSULTATIONS

Our President held youth consultations at high schools in Thetford Mines and in Montreal, at FACE School. These were excellent opportunities for Y4Y Quebec to hear directly from the English-speaking youth that we are representing. We are eager to continue meeting youth groups in the Fall.



Malcolm Lewis-Richmond (President, Y4Y Quebec) meeting with the Student Council at A.S. Johnson High School in Thetford Mines, the last remaining English high school in the Chaudière-Appalaches area. Thanks to Principal Stephen Renaud for the coordination and to local CLC Coordinator Michelle Mathieu for hosting the meeting.

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Y4Y Quebec is actively seeking collaboration with various community stakeholders. Meetings were held with the Megantic Community Development Corporation (MCDC), CEDEC, RBC and the Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages (Quebec and Nunavut Region). It has been wonderful for our board members and volunteers to get to know these organizations a bit better, increasing opportunities for collaboration.



Shae-Lynn Roberts (Director of Membership, Y4Y Quebec) met with Rod Fequet, Mayor of Bonne-Espérance and colleagues from the Lower North Shore Bioproducts Solidarity Cooperative to show CBC Quebec the new ideas from the community to create sustainable economies and to retain youth in the area.



**Malcolm Lewis-Richmond (President, Y4Y Quebec) and Gabriela Navarrete-Rolls (Director of Communications, Y4Y Quebec) were pleased to be invited by David McKay (CEO, RBC) and Nadine Renaud-Tinker (President, Quebec Division, RBC) to a roundtable discussion about youth entering the workforce.**

### **OUTREACH ALL OVER**

Y4Y Quebec is planning youth outreach activities with a number of community organizations, including the English-speaking Community Organization of Lanaudiere (ECOL), the African-Canadian Development & Prevention Network (ACDPN), and the Voice of English-speaking Quebec (VESQ). Thanks to their collaboration, and to partnerships with CEGEP and University Student Associations, we are creating a number of local action teams that are representing Y4Y Quebec on a local level with Regional Ambassadors. We hope to do some serious membership recruitment over the next few months.

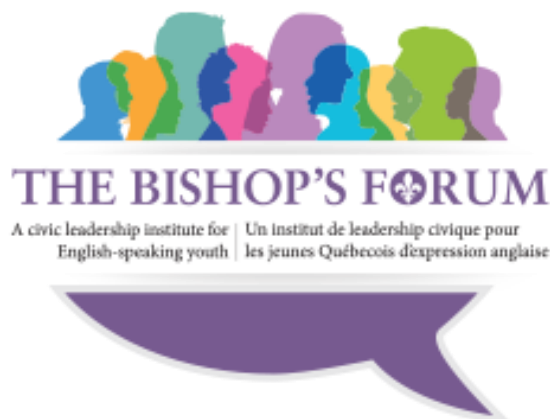


**From left to right : Jonathan Patton (Vice-president, Y4Y Quebec), Gregory Kelley (political advisor, Quebec National Assembly), Audrey Ann Keating (CEDEC), Kathleen Weil (Minister Responsible for Relations with English-speaking Quebecers), Rose Elmonde Clarke (Mayor of Grosse-Île), Helena Burke (Executive Director, CAMI), Germain Chevarie (MNA for Les Îles-de-la-Madeleine), Cathy Brown (Executive Director, CASA).**

## MULTIMEDIA PROJECTS IN THE WORKS

Our board has approved several multimedia projects which will be powerful tools, enabling us to reach new parts of our community. Our committees are working on a video project, a photo collage project, and a new virtual platform in which youth will be able to share resources and ideas. We can't wait to share the final products with you! To get involved, please write to [info@y4yquebec.org](mailto:info@y4yquebec.org).

## BISHOP'S FORUM - LAST CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS



Last call for participants to the Bishop's Forum! There are still a few spaces available for youth ages 18-26 at this year's edition of the Bishop's Forum. This is a civic leadership institute for English-speaking youth in Quebec that will feature speakers, a presentation in front of a parliamentary commission and more! Please let us know if you have any questions or comments, or if you have already registered. [Click here to visit the Forum's official website where you can register and find out more information.](#)

## RECRUITMENT TO COMMITTEES

Y4Y Quebec has a vacancy on the board for the treasurer position. We are also seeking volunteers to join the Policy, Communications, Outreach, Youth Forum and Virtual Platform committees. Please contact us for more information about getting involved.

Best regards from the board,

Malcolm, Jonathan P., Hayley, Gabriela, Alex G., Shae-Lynn, Raymond and Edward.

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