

Annex - List of funded projects

COASTERS ASSOCIATION – Youth

This project will provide specialized job opportunities for vulnerable youth, encouraging them to remain in Quebec's Lower North Shore region. It collaborates with the Lower North Shore Research Centre – Innovative Business Incubation/Acceleration Centre and the Université du Québec à Trois Rivières. The project will also encourage young people with post-secondary educations to return to the region; support research and development; and contribute to reinvigorating the local economy.

COUNCIL FOR ANGLOPHONE MAGDALEN ISLANDERS (CAMI) – Youth

The project will develop a hands-on learning program for vulnerable youth, motivating them to complete high school and providing them with skills to enhance their job prospects and capacity to engage in community life. It will also engage local skilled workers, operating in small teams or on a one-on-one basis, to mentor youth in acquiring practical skills suited to future jobs and opportunities on the Magdalen Islands.

NEW HOPE SENIOR CITIZENS CENTRE – Seniors

This training program will help NDG seniors considered vulnerable to early-onset dementia, depression and other conditions become comfortable and adept at using laptops, iPads and other technology tools, assisting them to break free from their isolation, reunite families, and tap into online services and support. New Hope will also provide a space for seniors to socialize in person and online. NDG has one of the highest concentrations of English-speaking seniors in Quebec; an estimated 41 per cent of these seniors live alone.

NDG FOOD DEPOT – Youth

This project will develop, implement and evaluate an adapted leadership and job-skills training program to reach out to minority youth aged from 16 to 30. Activities will be integrated to enhance existing kitchen, market and garden programs – to build skills, confidence, leadership abilities and readiness to enter the workforce. Participants will cultivate production gardens, build and plant educational gardens, and learn to run low-cost fruit and vegetable markets. All activities will be streamed toward sustainable career-track employment.

NDG SENIORS CITIZEN'S COUNCIL – Seniors and Newcomers

This project will help vulnerable English-speaking seniors who require assistance and accompaniment to medical appointments. It will also train and enhance employability of English-speaking baby boomers and newcomers to act as companions and advocates in the health-care sector.

PARK EXTENSION YOUTH ORGANIZATION (PEYO) – Youth and Newcomers

The I AM: Competent project is aimed at improving employability and socioeconomic security for vulnerable youth and newcomers. It will focus on participants acquiring new skills, with internships via a professional environment in a kitchen within a French immersion/English context.

PHELPS HELPS – Youth

Targeting youth 16 and over, the project will improve the level of French among students trying to complete high school; guide them toward skills training and post-secondary diplomas; offer assistance with post-secondary applications and student loans; provide support to enter the workforce; and establish a network of local businesses and organizations willing to provide training and jobs to local youth.

TYNDALE ST-GEORGES COMMUNITY CENTRE / DESTA BLACK YOUTH NETWORK – Youth

With a focus on the youth in Little Burgundy, facing systemic challenges to employment and entrepreneurship, this holistic program will integrate an individualized training program for participants, along with an onsite business centre and a trio of small-enterprise startup incubation sites: a café, a retail space and a warehouse.

VOICE OF ENGLISH SPEAKING QUEBEC / JEFFERY HALE COMMUNITY PARTNERS – Youth

The project will foster employability skills among special-needs youth, encouraging on-the-job training in the language with which they are most comfortable. It will enhance their capacity to fully contribute in the long term to the community and regions. The project will also develop new non-traditional partnerships with local businesses, providing opportunities to improve the socioeconomic security of this vulnerable population group.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES (YES Montreal) – Newcomers

The goal of this project is to integrate and retain English-speaking newcomers by helping them to integrate into the Quebec economy. It will include targeted employment services and programming – workshops, mentorship, one-on-one support, peer-to-peer support and networking events. The project also aims to strengthen the social networks of new arrivals seeking stable and meaningful employment, simultaneously building new partnerships with local businesses and community organizations serving newcomers.