

Community Organizations Resources Guide for the CLC Network

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As a Community Development Agent (CDA) or school leader in the Community Learning Centre (CLC) network, building strong partnerships is essential to supporting student success and community well-being. This Community Organizations Resource Guide is designed to help you navigate the many types of organizations that can support your school, students, and families.

By understanding the range of local, provincial, and national organizations, you can:

- Identify potential partners for programs and services
- Connect families with the right resources
- Strengthen collaboration within your community
- Advocate for the needs of your English-speaking population

How to Use This Tool

This tool provides a structured overview of community organizations, categorized by their role (e.g., education, social services, health, cultural, municipal partnerships). Each category includes:

- A description of the organization type and its role
- National resources that offer broad support or funding
- Provincial resources that serve Quebec communities
- Local resources that you can connect with in your region

Finding Local Organizations

While national and provincial organizations provide valuable support, local partnerships are at the heart of the CLC approach.

To find and engage local organizations, consider:

- Your school board's partnerships: Some school boards have agreements with health networks, literacy organizations, or youth services.
- Tables de concertation: Many regions have partnership tables bringing together municipalities, schools, and social service agencies.
- Existing relationships: Use your network, colleagues, and past CLC projects to identify key community players.
- Online directories: Many local organizations have online listings or are searchable through regional municipal websites (i.e. 211.ca)



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Organizations by CLC Outcome Areas

Student Engagement & Learning



TYPE OF ORGANIZATION	ROLE	NATIONAL RESOURCES	PROVINCIAL RESOURCES	LOCAL RESOURCES
Educational & Youth Organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Support lifelong learning and youth engagement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canadian Parents for French (CPF) • YMCA • Start2Finish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEARN Quebec • English School Boards • ELAN 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local education events • Camps (winter, spring, summer) • School-community initiatives
Youth Leadership & Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Support youth-led initiatives, student involvement in the community > Provide youth with skills, leadership opportunities, and community service projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Girl Guides of Canada • Scouts Canada • Duke of Edinburgh's Award • Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth 4 Youth (Y4Y) • Forum jeunesse du Québec • Forces AVENIR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student leadership councils • Community-Service • Learning projects (CSL) • Local Scout & Guide troops • Leadership camps



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Career Development	> <i>Help youth build work-related skills, job readiness, and career exploration</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES Montreal • Community Economic Development and Employability Corporation (CEDEC) • Emploi-Quebec • OseEntreprendre • Young Entrepreneurs Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vocational Education Centres • Local chambers of commerce • Employment centers • Local career fairs • Mentorship initiatives
Literacy Organizations	> <i>Encourage literacy development</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ABC Life Literacy Canada • First Book Canada • United for Literacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literacy Quebec • The Learning Exchange 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local literacy councils • Local library • Parent-child activities



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Tutoring Services	> <i>Provide academic support and homework help</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YMCA Homework Help • United for Literacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEARN • Alloprof • University Mentorship & Tutoring Programs (McGill, Concordia, Bishop's) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After-school tutoring clubs • Local community centers • Municipal library homework programs • Volunteer student tutors
Early Childhood Education and the First School Transition	> <i>Support early learning, child development, and childcare services</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Naitre et Grandir • Maison de la Famille • Passe-Partout (MEQ) • My Goodnight Bag (LEARN) • Avenir d'enfants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local CPEs (Centres de la Petite Enfance) • Daycares • Family home childcare services • School board early childhood programs, • Local early literacy initiatives



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Health & Well-being

TYPE OF ORGANIZATION	ROLE	NATIONAL RESOURCES	PROVINCIAL RESOURCES	LOCAL RESOURCES
Health & Wellness Organizations	> Offer health services, mental health support, and wellness programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) • Health Canada 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Health & Social Services Network (CHSSN) • Wellness Centres 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CISSS, CIUSSS (CLSC) • Local NPI • Local mental health groups • English-speaking health navigators
Social Service Organizations	> Provide basic needs, crisis support, and social assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Way/ Centraide • Canadian Red Cross 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Centraide Quebec 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local food banks, shelters, family resource centers



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Mental Health & Family Well-being	> <i>Support parents and children's emotional and mental health</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kids Help Phone • Canadian Association for Mental Health (CAMH) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AMI-Québec (Action on Mental Illness) • Community Health & Social Services Network (CHSSN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local family therapists, parenting support groups • Local NPI
Sports & Recreation Organizations	> <i>Encourage physical activity, community sports leagues</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ParticipACTION • Canadian Parks and Recreation Association 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sport Québec • Réseau Accès Participation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Municipal recreation programs • Youth sports leagues • Extracurricular activities and clubs
Nutrition & Food Security for Families	> <i>Ensure families have access to nutritious food and education</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast Club of Canada • Canada's Food Guide 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100° • Moisson Québec (food banks) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local school meal programs • Community gardens • Local food banks • Local farmers • Local grocery stores



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Family Engagement and Support

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Parent Engagement in Schools	> <i>Support parents in playing an active role in their child's education</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English Parents' Committee Association (EPCA) • Quebec Federation of Home and School Associations (QFHSA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governing board • PPO, Home and School Association • Parent-teacher committees • Volunteer parent networks • Local parent groups
Family Support & Parenting Programs	> <i>Provide guidance, workshops, and resources for parents</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families Canada 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEARN • Naître et Grandir • Fédération québécoise des organismes communautaires Famille (FQOCF) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local family resource centers • Maison de la Famille • Parent-Child programs • Parent Webinars • Local events hosted at schools



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Community Development, Engagement and Well-Being

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Community Development & Municipal Partnerships	> <i>Facilitate collaboration between organizations and municipalities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tables de concertation Inntances Régionales de Concertations (IRC) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local municipal partnership tables
Community Service Organizations	> <i>Engage in charity, community service, and mutual aid</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knights of Columbus Lions Clubs International Rotary International 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chevaliers de Colomb/ Filles d'Isabelle Cercle des Fermières 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local community centers Local clubs (Rotary, Lions, Knights) Local lodge
Seniors & Intergenerational Initiatives	> <i>Foster engagement, mentorship, and well-being for seniors</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canadian National Seniors' Advocacy Organization (CanAge) Canadian Association of Retired Persons (CARP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seniors Action Quebec 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some CHSSN NPIs Local Seniors' clubs/groups Mentorship programs Local volunteer groups



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Veterans & Military Support Organizations	> <i>Provide services, advocacy, and community connections for veterans and their families</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Royal Canadian Legion • Veterans Affairs Canada 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quebec Veterans Foundation • Canadian Armed Forces Transition Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local legion branches • Remembrance Day initiatives • Invictus Games • Local army bases
Volunteer & Social Inclusion Programs	> <i>Encourage community involvement and leadership</i> > <i>Support volunteerism and local initiatives</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Way/Centraide • Volunteer Canada (CARP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Centre d'Action Bénévole (CAB) • Centraide Quebec • CISSS, CIUSSS (CLSC) • Volunteer Centres 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Meals on Wheels/ Popote Roulante • Local Volunteer Associations



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Environmental & Sustainability Groups	> <i>Promote green initiatives and sustainability</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4-H Canada • EcoSchools Canada • David Suzuki Foundation • Plant a Seed and See What Grows Foundation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clubs 4-H Quebec (nature/forest focus) • Quebec 4-H (associated with 4-H Canada) • Équiterre • Espace pour la vie • Bird Protection Quebec (BPQ) • Fédération des sociétés d'horticulture et d'écologie du Québec • Regroupement national des conseils régionaux de l'environnement (RNCREQ) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local environmental committees • Community gardens • Local eco-groups • Urban farming projects • Local Horticulture Association/Club
Entrepreneurship	> <i>Support career development</i>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local chambers of commerce • Employment centers • Local Desjardins branch
Advocacy & Civic Engagement Organizations	> <i>Defend minority rights, increase civic participation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elections Canada 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talking. Advocating. Living in Quebec (TALQ, formerly QCGN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local community advocacy groups, legal aid services



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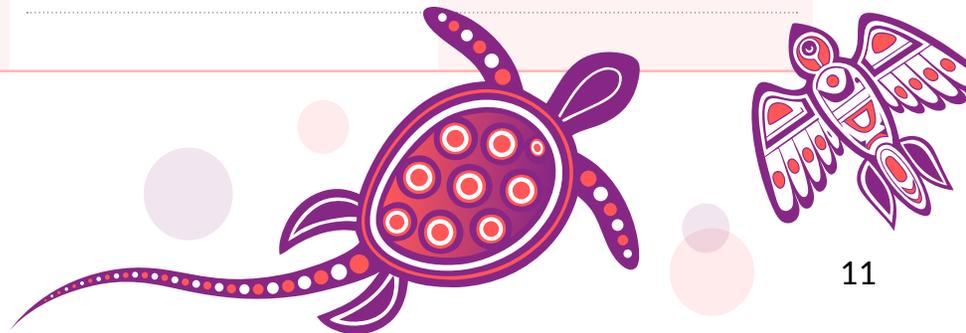


Culture & Identity

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Cultural, Heritage, & Arts Organizations	> <i>Promote and preserve cultural diversity and heritage</i> > <i>Promote arts and culture</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canada Council for the Arts • Canadian Heritage • National Trust for Canada 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quebec Anglophone Heritage Network (QAHN) • English Language Arts Network (ELAN) • Quebec Writer's Federation (QWF) • Conseil des arts et des lettres du Québec 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local cultural centers • Community theaters • Museums • Local heritage groups
First Nations, Inuit, & Métis Resources	> <i>Support Indigenous education, culture, and community well-being</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assembly of First Nations, Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, Métis National Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Nations Education Council (FNEC) • Indigenous Services Canada (Quebec) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Indigenous Friendship Centres, community-based programs



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English-Language Advocacy & Support Organizations	> <i>Promote and defend the rights of English speakers in Quebec</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quebec Community Groups Network (QCGN) Quebec English-Speaking Communities Research Network (QUESCREN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local English-language advocacy groups
Media & Communications Organizations	> <i>Provide English-language news, community information</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CBC Canadian Media Fund National Film Board of Canada (NFB) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Gazette CTV Montreal CBC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local English newspapers & radio stations Community newsletters

