

Communities Building Youth

Futures

“There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about”

Corner Brook and Bay of Islands

-Margaret J. Wheatley

Communities Building Youth Futures is a collaboration between Tamarack Institute and Economic and Social Development Canada to support youth in 13 communities across Canada to stay engaged in their communities, graduate high school, and successfully transition to post-secondary education and/or employment.

Our community was chosen along with 12 other Canadian communities to participate in this initiative, recognizing that we have the strengths, resources, and assets as a community to support our youth to reach their fullest potential.

As a committed community collective we will **INSPIRE, ENGAGE AND EMPOWER YOUTH** to THRIVE in our community, at home, in school and in the workplace.

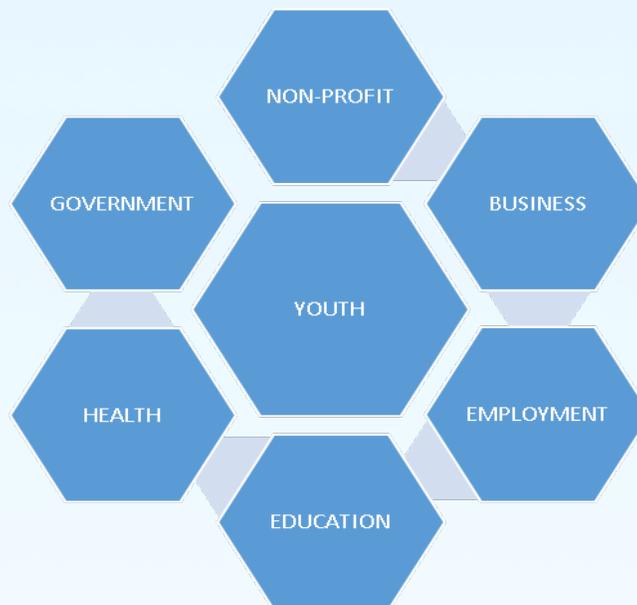
Our Focus on Education

Current status

- Corner Brook is above the provincial drop-out rate, at 10.1%
- 48.5% of youth ages 16-24 score a level 2 or below in literacy

Our vision

- Youth are aware there are many paths to achieve their education
- Youth have fewer barriers to education
- Youth graduation rates will increase



Our Focus on Employment

Current status

- Overall unemployment rates are 13.3%
- Youth unemployment rates are 18.9%

Our vision

- Youth successfully transition from Secondary education into employment or post-secondary opportunities

Our focus on Engagement

Current Status

- 23% of youth ages 15– 30 state they rarely or never follow news and current affairs
- 23% of volunteer hours in Canada are completed by youth ages 15-30

Our Vision

- Youth are active participants in the community
- Youth are safe
- Youth are confident and optimistic



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