



COMMUNITIES BUILDING BELONGING

MEMBERSHIP BROCHURE





With the rising levels of loneliness and polarization across Canada
and a decline in civic engagement,
we believe that **Building Belonging** is the answer





ABOUT COMMUNITIES BUILDING BELONGING

Who We Are

We are a network of local, place-based collaboratives developing strategies for belonging

Our Goals

- 1) Mobilize local champions to end loneliness in Canada
- 2) Support place-based collaboratives to develop, implement, and sustain strategies for belonging
- 3) Build a pan-Canadian movement for belonging that is grounded in local strengths and aspirations

How We Work

- 1) We advocate for the role of communities as co-creators of change, instead of service recipients
- 2) We meet communities where they are to cultivate agency and purpose
- 3) We curate a knowledge and action infrastructure to help local champions build belonging



ABOUT COMMUNITIES BUILDING BELONGING

We support our **members** through specialized coaching, as well as learning, networking, and engagement opportunities to guide their belonging strategies. These include virtual communities of practice, webinars, events, publications, and more.

We help communities build community-led plans that include the following impacts:

1. Increase a **sense of belonging** to place and people
2. Foster **equity and inclusion** in the places people live
3. Foster **civic engagement** to build a more caring society
4. Increase **resilience** by stewarding local ecologies and helping communities respond to disaster preparedness
5. Increase a **sense of safety**
6. Increase **well-being and enable health**
7. Support **local economies** and local **food production**

**What
We Do**

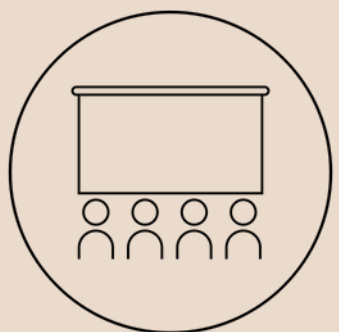




OUR BELONGING MOVEMENT IN NUMBERS



48
Members



480+
Belonging
Pledge
Signatories

7,500+
Learners



Quarterly
Newsletter



2
Cohorts

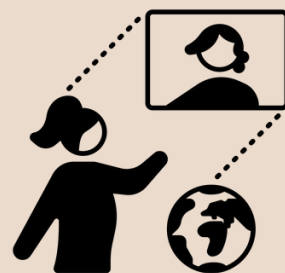


Circle of Actions

- 85 individuals, 13 local teams

Systems Transformers Cohort

- 6 individuals



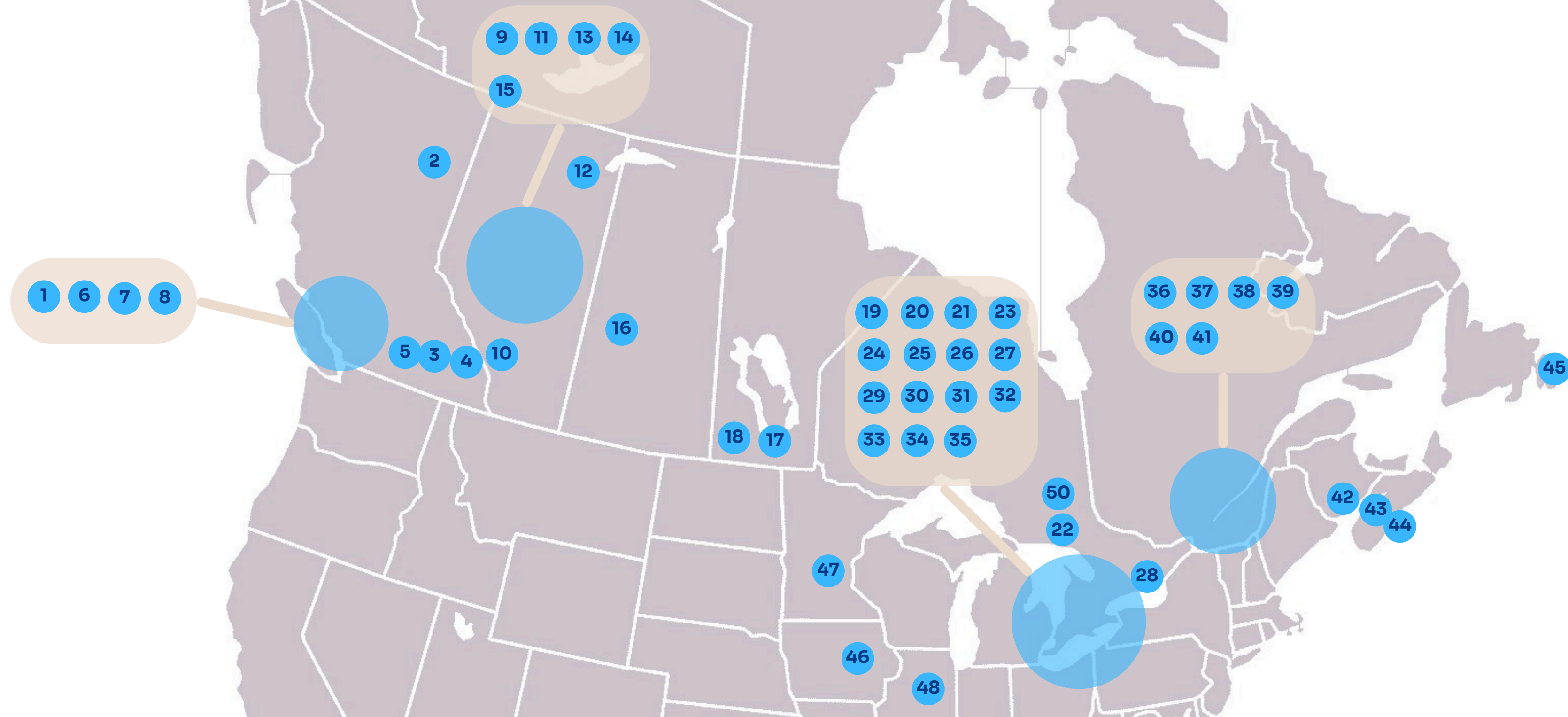
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Communities
of Practice



- Asset-Based Community Development
- Community Safety
- Emergency Preparedness
- Members
- Neighbourhood Learning

COMMUNITIES BUILDING BELONGING

MEMBERS



BRITISH COLUMBIA

1. Good Neighbour Kitsilano
2. City of Fort St. John
3. Kelowna: Strong Neighbourhoods
4. CMHA Shuswap/Revelstoke
5. City of West Kelowna
6. City of New Westminster
7. Minivillage
8. L'Arche Vancouver

ALBERTA

9. St. Albert
10. Canmore: Town of Canmore Community Social Development
11. Stony Plain
12. Wood Buffalo LDCI
13. Town of Okotoks
14. Town of Airdrie
15. City of Spruce Grove

SASKATCHEWAN

16. The Battlefords

MANITOBA

17. L'Arche Winnipeg
18. Brandon Neighbourhood Renewal Corporation

You can consult this resource to learn more about the custodians of the lands on which we live, work, and play: native-land.ca

ONTARIO

19. City of Burlington
20. St. Catharines – Niagara Region Public Health Unit
21. Huron Park
22. L'Arche Sudbury
23. Municipality of Clarington
24. Cambridge – Greenway–Chaplain
25. KW Habilitation
26. City of Cambridge
27. Huron Perth Public Health
28. Compassionate Communities Kingston
29. Community Development Council of Quinte
30. London: Community Development and Grants
31. Reset
32. marketcity TO
33. Jane / Finch Centre
34. City of Timmins
35. Good Futures Collective

QUÉBEC

36. Jardin Meilleur
37. Lykka Village
38. Le four à bois communautaire de Laval
39. Concertation Saint-Léonard
40. RQDS (Réseau Québécois de développement social)
41. Ville de Montréal

COMMUNITIES BUILDING BELONGING MEMBERS

NEW BRUNSWICK

42. L'Arche St. John / New Brunswick

NOVA SCOTIA

43. Happy Community Project
44. L'Arche Halifax

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

45. Vibrant Communities St. John's

US MEMBERS

46. Iowa Heartland Habitat for Humanity (Iowa)
47. Scott County Government (Minnesota)
48. The Learning Tree (Indiana)



Interested in becoming a member?

We'd love to hear from you!

Fill out this form to start the conversation:

<https://share.hsforms.com/1oMTHTLmPRFihq8XJ7RpAEQ6rvr>

You can also contact Astrid
for more information: astrid@tamarackcommunity.ca



MEMBERS LEAD CHANGE BY...

1

Leveraging the assets of their communities to drive long-term change

2

Promoting resident-led, multi-sector engagement to develop a common agenda

3

Developing and/or implementing neighbourhood- or city-wide strategies for belonging

4

Investing in learning and evaluation every step of the way

5

Cultivating inclusive, equitable, and connected futures

6

Supporting policy- and systems-level changes





WHY SHOULD YOU BECOME A TAMARACK MEMBER?

Here are
seven
reasons to
join:

1

Save time and money by accessing tailored coaching, learning/networking opportunities, and resources to help you make informed decisions on building belonging in your community.

2

Belong to a pan-Canadian movement that positions you alongside communities across the country with one voice that amplifies the importance of building belonging.

3

Influence policies and systems that impact your community.

4

Engage in Tamarack's work to foster collaboration across all levels of government to better align our collective efforts in support of belonging and well-being.

5

Promote your efforts to a pan-Canadian audience through Tamarack's communication channels: social media, blog posts, quarterly e-newsletters, publications, and more.

6

Connect with a Manager of Communities who will provide you and your team with customized advice and connect you with coaches and local champions from across Turtle Island.

7

Learn about innovative and effective tools, approaches, and ideas for building belonging by participating in communities of practice, action teams, webinars, and coaching.



BENEFITS FOR TAMARACK MEMBERS

- Two complimentary seats to EnageFest!, Tamarack's organization-wide virtual gathering with in-person meet-ups
- Access to group coaching from Tamarack
- One-on-one support from a Manager of Communities
- Support on impact measurement and reporting
- Access to peer coaching and collaboration opportunities through a dedicated members community of practice
- Invitations to private webinars featuring researchers and practitioners from the field
- Opportunities to promote your work and impact by being featured in Tamarack's publications and social media
- Access to the Tamarack tool library, including content on belonging
- Discounts on books, resources, and Tamarack events





“Movements tend to become the practice ground for what we are healing towards, co-creating. Movements are responsible for embodying what we are inviting our people into. We need the people within our movements, all socialized into and by unjust systems, to be on liberators paths.”

– adrienne maree brown

ADVANCING A PAN-CANADIAN STRATEGY FOR BELONGING

**We are inviting everyone to help us
co-create a strategy that:**

1. Brings together cross-sector collaboration to share resources and expertise
2. Centres everyone's voices
3. Shifts power to residents as co-creators of change
4. Results in population-level change by increasing the sense of belonging reported by everyone and contributing to shape more democratic futures

Join the movement!

Sign the pledge for a
Strategy for Belonging [here](#).





PARTICIPATE IN OUR COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE

We curate **five Communities of Practice (CoPs)** to support learning, networking, and collaboration across geographies:

- Asset-Based Community Development
- Community's Role in Safety
- Emergency Preparedness
- CBB Members
- Neighbourhood Learning

These CoPs are opportunities to learn more from researchers and practitioners about various aspects of belonging, and to connect with other local champions across Turtle Island around applying these learnings in your local context.

Visit our website to learn more about our CoPs.





JOIN OUR BELONGING MOVEMENT TODAY!

**We are here to support your efforts.
Your success is our success!**

Learn more about CBB [here](#) or scan
the QR code:



Any questions or comments?

Contact us to start the conversation.

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Jorge



Astrid



Njoki



Prachir



“Belonging is relational. When we’re in relationship with each other, we step into this profound opportunity to help one another step into our most powerful roles.”

– Danya Pastuszek, Co-CEO, Tamarack Institute

