

British Columbia Francophone Affairs Program 2015 - 2016 Annual Report

The partnership between the governments of Canada and British Columbia through the Canada-British Columbia Official Languages Agreement on French-Language Services has improved access to programs and services for French-speaking British Columbians and it has enhanced the capacity of the Province to deliver services in French.

In 2015-2016, the Francophone Affairs Program continued to have a positive impact on the vitality of B.C.'s francophone community by working with government and community partners to achieve results in five priority sectors:

1. Health and Social Services
2. Economic Development
3. Arts and Culture
4. Justice
5. Communication

This year, some of our main partnerships were with:

- the British Columbia Heritage Branch for the creation and installation of interpretative signs at multiple heritage sites,
- the Ministry of Health for the development and delivery of a youth health awareness program, and;
- the City of Nelson for the development of an Économusée and signage at the Regional Visitor Gateway.

Objective 1: Support the administrative arrangements necessary so that the government, municipalities and quasi-government bodies can create and offer French services to the francophone community.

MEASURES 2013-18	EXPECTED RESULTS	PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULTS
<p>The Francophone Affairs Program actively seeks partnerships with the British Columbia government, municipalities and quasi-government bodies to support, develop, and monitor francophone projects and service delivery to the British Columbia francophone community.</p>	<p>British Columbia Government maintained or increased its capacity to deliver services to its francophone community.</p>	<p>A.1 Number and type of renewed projects directly provided to citizens.</p> <p>A.2 Number and type of new projects (directly provided to citizens) with existing partners.</p> <p>A.3 Number and type of new projects (directly provided to citizens) with new partners.</p>	<p>See Appendix A for details</p> <p>A.1 = 22 projects (<i>as compared with 16 projects in 2014/2015</i>)</p> <p>A.2 = 6 projects (<i>as compared with 12 projects in 2014/2015</i>)</p> <p>A.3 = 6 projects (<i>as compared with 8 projects in 2014/2015</i>)</p> <p>TOTAL: 34 projects (<i>as compared with 36 projects in 2014/2015</i>)</p> <p>Compared to last year, the number of renewed projects with existing partners (i.e. A.1) increased resulting in a decrease of new projects with existing partners. Nonetheless, the total number of projects remains approximately the same.</p>

MEASURES 2013-18	EXPECTED RESULTS	PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULTS
Promote British Columbia and Canada's francophonie to increase its visibility by ensuring information on francophone activities is available throughout British Columbia and/or Canada.	Increased visibility of the British Columbian and Canadian Francophonie.	Strategic Plan Edit: After reviewing the draft strategic plan with the Federal Government on September 1, 2015, it was agreed that this performance indicator and result be rolled into the first Measure.	
The Francophone Affairs Program connects francophone community organizations with British Columbia Government, municipalities, and quasi-Government bodies and facilitates collaboration and partnership.	Francophone community needs and priorities are taken into consideration when developing French services delivery capacity.	<p>Number and types of collaboration agreements between francophone community organizations and British Columbia Government, municipalities, and quasi-Government bodies facilitated by the Francophone Affairs Program.</p> <p>Benchmark established in 2013-2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 B.C. Government Ministries • 8 Local Government • 2 Quasi-Government 	<p>Collaboration between francophone community organizations and the government is the key to successful partnerships. This year, francophone community organisations were engaged with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 B.C. Government Ministries • 10 Local Government • 2 Quasi-Government

Highlights:

The mix of renewed and new projects is important to grow the Francophone Affairs Program outreach. We often engage in a new partnership with a small project to set the tone for a larger project. When a project is approved, the partnering organization is required to submit an evaluation report showing how they achieved the expected measurable outcomes. We are typically very satisfied with the results and the partners usually have a continued interest in working with FAP on other projects.

Examples of successful projects are:

1. Seniors Information and Abuse Line – French Workshops

Three Francophone workshops in three Francophone organizations in Greater Vancouver were delivered. The relationships we built with the three Francophone organisations created a synergy which resulted in the delivery of additional workshops in other communities.

2. Welcome package for expecting parents

A total of 170 packages were provided to Francophone families who are expecting or have a baby under the age of 12 months. After conducting a satisfaction survey, 98 % of the participants reported improved access to useful information available in French about pregnancy and newborn care. These results support our Government's efforts to improve health and social services delivery to the Francophone community.

3. Économusée

Five Économusée were planned to be developed in 2015-2016. Instead, we were able to develop six Économusée on Vancouver Island and the Sunshine Coast. We are on track with the launch of the projects starting with Tofino Cedar Furniture.

In June 2015, under the auspices of the *Lean Continuous Improvement Initiative*, the Francophone Affairs Program (FAP) embarked on a value stream mapping of some of its core processes. The goal was to identify potential areas of improvement to ensure that clients continue to receive the highest value out of the services delivered through FAP. This exercise led to the identification of opportunities for improvement to the Funding Partnership Request process, the MOU drafting and the Project Evaluation Report submission process.

The Funding Partnership Request process project most notable improvements came from feedback and suggestions received during consultations with several partners and stakeholders. When asked what could be done to make the FAP funding application easier to understand and friendlier to fill-out, there was an overwhelming collective request for an online application form, easily accessible Guidelines, and examples of completed forms as reference documents.

We are proud to announce that FAP has now a new website with a user friendly and streamlined online [FAP Partnership Request Application Form](#) accompanied by [Application Guidelines](#) as well as a [Sample Completed Application](#) to support applicants.

Objective 2: Support Service Development, Planning and Delivery in Five Priority Areas

MEASURES 2013-18	EXPECTED RESULTS	PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULTS
Priority 1: Health and Social Services			
Support British Columbia government, municipalities and quasi-government bodies in their efforts to maintain and/or improve health and social services to the francophone community.	Health and social services available to the British Columbia French-language community are maintained or increased.	<p>Number and type of initiatives and activities undertaken to support health and social services to the British Columbia French-Language community.</p> <p>a) Number of individuals and families who received direct assistance in French from the Learning & Development Department of B.C. Children's Hospital and B.C. Women's Hospital (formerly Provincial Language Service). Benchmark: Approximately 500 individuals in 2011-2012.</p> <p>b) Number of French interpretation services requests. Benchmark: Approximately 487 requests in 2011-2012.</p> <p>c) Number of governmental related interventions (accompaniment and translation at the Ministry of Social Development (MSD), mainly China Creek Office, Tax Canada, Service Canada and EI related, Birth Certificates, etc.). Benchmark: 368 governmental</p>	<p>a) 98 personalized French requests for individual assistance on the B.C. health care system and coverage (as compared to 350 requests in 2014-2015). The 25% drop from last year is as a result of 3 months of services interruption due to staff departure and the need to remove the Francophone Services phone number from the Medical Services Plan website.</p> <p>b) 325 French interpretation services requests, which represents a diminution from 2014-2015 (i.e. 579 requests). The diminution can be explained by the interruption in services as mentioned above.</p> <p>c) 792 (as compared to 258 requests in 2014-2015) French interventions of which 291 were to help families. The interventions were made in Vancouver and Surrey's offices while street social work, outreach</p>

		<p>related interventions in 2011-2012.</p> <p>d) Number of French speaking clients served by community social agencies on behalf of MSD. Benchmark: A total of 264 French speaking clients in 2011-2012.</p>	<p>and emergency interventions were carried out in the field.</p> <p>d) 195 French-speaking clients were served (as compared to 217 clients in 2014-2015), of them: 112 were homeless 67% were men Most clients were between 31 and 54 years old.</p>
Collaborate with ministries and Health Authorities for the translation into French of health and social services related government material.	Health and social services related government information is maintained or increased.	<p>Number and type of updated or new British Columbia Government health and social services publications translated into French. (Excluding news releases which are captured under priority #5)</p> <p>Benchmark: 107 publications in 2011-2012.</p>	<p>In total, 252 health or social services related documents were translated to French (as compared to 262 documents in 2014-2015). A total of 139 of the translated documents were for HealthLink B.C. which offers medically-approved on-line information on health topics, symptoms, medications, and tips for maintaining a healthy lifestyle.</p>

Highlights:

We continued our partnership with the Ministry of Health, in collaboration with community partner Réso-Santé, on the Healthy Schools B.C. (HSBC) project. Healthy School B.C. is an initiative linked to the Healthy Families B.C. prevention strategy. The objective of the strategy is to increase health information in school systems to have a direct impact on students' long-term health. Our partnership with the Ministry of Health supported the development of French Language resources available both as hard copy and on-line. As a result of this initiative, numerous communication materials were developed and disseminated to promote the new French language web portal and resources. Over the course of the year, there were over 1500 visits to the HSBC French web portal by 840 unique visitors. A Caravane Santé travelled to five

B.C. francophone schools and one French Immersion school across four health authority regions reaching over 500 students to promote healthy living.

Another significant accomplishment was the involvement of the Francophone Affairs Program in supporting the B.C. Early Years Strategy. In 2014/2015, the Ministry of Children and Family Development funded a francophone B.C. Early Years Centre offering one-stop, convenient access to information, services and referrals for French-speaking families with young children. As a follow-up, in 2015/2016, the Francophone Affairs Program partnered with the Ministry and the *Fédération des parents francophones de la Colombie-Britannique* in the promotion and delivery of *Trousse Bébé francophone*. The Francophone Affairs Program led the ambitious task of securing the signature of a letter by three Ministers (Minister of Health, Minister of Children and Family Development and Minister of Agriculture representing Francophone Affairs Program). The signed letter was sent to health-care professionals with a French-language pamphlet that introduced the *Trousse Bébé francophone*. The early childhood kit contains invaluable publications in French and tools to help parents support their child's cognitive, social, emotional and physical development. The kit also contains information about governmental and community programs and services that are available in French in their community.

Furthermore, this year, we partnered with the Public Health Services Agency (PHSA) to purchase 450 French health books that were added to the Family Support & Resource Centre collection hosted in the B.C. Children's Hospital. Resources can be borrowed at no charge for all B.C. residents. This is the biggest collection of French health resources west of Quebec. Promotional stickers were put on every resource as a way to increase the Francophone Health Program visibility within the B.C. Children's Hospital.

In addition, we supported the translation and distribution of:

- “Tools for Taming and Trapping Worry Dragons”, an imaginative, fun, and practical activity-book to help children learn to handle anxiety and distress while going through medical procedure.
- “Meal Support”, a voice-over video that provides strategies for families who are supporting youth with eating disorders.
- Child Health Passport, a tool to help parents plan their child's vaccinations and to easily record health findings.
- B.C. Seniors' Guide, a compilation of information and resources to help plan for and live a healthy lifestyle as one ages.

In total, over \$200,000 were invested in early childhood initiatives through the Canada-BC Official Languages Agreement on Official Languages in 2015-2016.

Finally, the Ministry of Health - B.C. Centre for Elder Advocacy and Support delivered, for the first time, French workshops on Seniors Information and Abuse Line. Three workshops were delivered in the Lower Mainland of Vancouver in collaboration with Réseau Femmes Colombie-Britannique. A total of 32 Francophone participants were given the opportunity to share issues and concerns, ask questions about

elder abuse, and express interest in learning about other related topics. As a result, the Ministry is looking at offering additional workshop in 2016/2017, and is exploring how best to reach beyond the Lower Mainland area.

MEASURES 2013-18	EXPECTED RESULTS	PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULTS
Priority 2: Economic Development			
Support the B.C. government, municipalities and quasi-government bodies in initiatives that contribute to the economic development of the B.C. Francophone community (including francophone tourism and immigration initiatives).	Maintain or increase the contribution of the B.C. francophone community to the overall economic growth of the Province.	Number and type of Francophone economic development initiatives or activities that have been created, maintained or enhanced.	Eight initiatives were either developed or pursued targeting B.C. Francophone economic development visibility and growth: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Interpretative signs at Emily Carr Heritage sites 2. Interpretative signs at Yale Heritage sites 3. Interpretative signs at Kilby Heritage sites 4. Signage for the restoration of a 100 year-old Canadian Pacific Railway station 5. Nelson Économusée bilingual tourism infrastructure 6. B.C. Economusée, network expansion and consolidation. 7. B.C. Francophone web-friendly map showing B.C. French services. 8. Creative Sparks B.C., Film Industry French features.

Highlights:

Nelson is a small community in the southeastern area of British Columbia with less than 10,000 residents of which over 1,700 are French-speaking. With Early French Immersion and Core French courses offered in 17 schools and one French school, the community is avid of French culture and programs. The Francophone Affairs Program partnered with the City to create and install signage in their new Regional Visitor Centre. We also partner with the City to create “Artisans at Work” inspired by the Économusée model. The project puts forward the stories of local artists and artisans in three different public spaces in the City and enables interactive exhibits for local population and visitors.

The Francophone Affairs Program also continued its partnership with the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations to increase francophone visibility in B.C. heritage sites. The projects included researching the contribution of the Francophone community to British Columbia and the design of French interpretative material and signs to provide information on historical and ecological facts. The materials produced in both official languages enrich visitors experience from near and far, and contribute to celebrating the Francophone contribution to British Columbia's history.

MEASURES 2013-18	EXPECTED RESULTS	PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULTS
Priority 3: Arts and Culture			
Support the B.C. government, municipalities and quasi-government bodies for the development of services, resources and programs enabling the Francophone community to increase its visibility and promote its cultural, artistic and linguistic heritage.	Francophone arts and culture are more visible and well promoted in British Columbia.	Number and type of initiatives celebrating the presence and contributions of the British Columbia francophone community funded under this Agreement.	Ten initiatives were carried-out including partnerships with municipalities to provide a range of programs and services such as the purchase of French material for public libraries to the production of a series of TV programs to capture the essence of the francophone history.

Highlights:

This year, the B.C. Francophone Games three-day event was hosted by the City of Esquimalt. The event relocates to a new location every year. The support for this event in various municipalities across B.C. is noteworthy. This year, a total of 138 French-speaking youth (14-18 years old) from across the province participated. The activities are 100% in French and offer the opportunity to socialize, educate and broaden youth's knowledge in different fields. The experience increases youth sense of belonging to the bilingual community of British Columbia.

In addition to showing French films during the Victoria Film Festival, the organiser included a French section at each of their Free-B Festival event. Showcasing free cult films in temporary outdoor theatres, eight French short animated films were played throughout the month of August. The French shorts were selected to present a broad range of films from as early as 1944 (Alouette) up until 2013 (La valse du maître draveur). The event was very well attended with a total of 6,900 attendees. Both Francophones and Anglophones were able to enjoy the French selection rich in music and visuals.

MEASURES 2013-18	EXPECTED RESULTS	PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULTS
Priority 4 : Justice			
Support the B.C. government, municipalities and quasi-government bodies to increase access to Justice related information and services in French.	Maintained or increased access to justice related information and services in French.	Number and type of updated or new British Columbia Government justice related publications translated into French. (Excluding news releases which are captured under priority #5) Benchmark: 35 publications in 2011-2012.	A total of 15 documents (as compared to 21 documents in 2014-2015) informing citizens of their legal rights and responsibilities and legislative procedures were produced in French. Each year, legal information documents are translated. Therefore, the number of documents needing translation decreased. All documents are accessible on the web.
Support the Ministry of Justice and Attorney General to facilitate linguistic training of staff.	The availability of French speaking staff is maintained or increased.	Number of bilingual B.C. Government justice employees capable of providing services to the public in French.	The Bilingual Prosecution Group (BPG) is composed of 10 prosecutors and four support staff who can respond to French inquiries and conduct bilingual criminal trials as required by s. 530 of the Criminal Code. In addition to the core members, five other prosecutors have been identified as able to conduct bilingual prosecutions with further French training. With that goal in mind, the

			<p>five prosecutors participated in the annual French legal terminology training to support them in attaining a level of fluency sufficient to conduct French trials.</p> <p>In total, the group participate in six French learning opportunities including the Annual Crown Counsel Conference and purchased five French language reference materials.</p> <p>The BPG conducted 11 bilingual prosecutions in the last year including 4 ongoing prosecutions and 7 additional requests for bilingual trials in B.C.</p> <p>The BPG did not receive any requests for waiver of criminal sentencing files from Quebec this year.</p>
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Highlights:

The Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development financially supported the B.C. Francophone Youth Parliament. A total of 120 French-speaking youth aged 11 to 25 years old from all across B.C. gathered at the B.C. Legislature to debate French social issues. Participants developed their French language debate skills while learning about provincial political procedures.

Also, Legal Services Society translated and produced six publications:

1. If Your Child Is Taken: Your Rights As a Parent
2. For Your Protection: Peace Bonds and Family Law Protection Orders
3. Speaking to the Judge Before You're Sentenced
4. If You Can't Get a Lawyer for Your Criminal Trial

5. Separation Agreements: Your Right to Fairness
6. Can't Pay Your Mortgage: What to Do If You're Facing Foreclosure.

These publications are published in plain language. The plain language information assist French-speaking community advocates, families and individuals in explaining and understanding legal rights and responsibilities. The translated resources also solidify government and community working relationships in the delivery of services to the French community.

MEASURES 2013-18	EXPECTED RESULTS	PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	RESULTS										
Priority 5 : Communication													
Promote use of French in government communications when appropriate (e.g. news releases)	Increased access to government information available in French.	Number and type of updated or new British Columbia Government publications translated into French <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Including all publications • Excluding publications already identified in priority 1 and 4 	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: right;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2" data-bbox="1381 574 1955 613">TOTAL</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="1381 613 1795 662">Arts and Culture</td> <td data-bbox="1795 613 1955 662">7</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="1381 662 1795 711">Communication</td> <td data-bbox="1795 662 1955 711">109</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="1381 711 1795 760">Economic Development</td> <td data-bbox="1795 711 1955 760">37</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" data-bbox="1381 760 1955 808">153</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p data-bbox="1381 841 1955 980">Examples of communication documents are “Premier’s Welcome Message” in event programs, Worksafe B.C. information sheet and news releases.</p>	TOTAL		Arts and Culture	7	Communication	109	Economic Development	37	153	
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Encourage and monitor consultation between the British Columbia Government and the British Columbia francophone community.	The British Columbia Government continues open dialogues with the British Columbia francophone community.	Number and type of meetings between Francophone Affairs Program (FAP) and main British Columbia francophone stakeholders. An annual evaluation of the FAP is performed.	58 meetings (as compared with 63 meetings in 2014/2015) were held with the community either by phone, in person or telepresence. Telepresence is the highest possible level of virtual reality technology available to us. Telepresence allows participants from different locations to feel as if they were gathered around one table in one location. Overall, the community is very satisfied with FAP’s services.										

			<p>A question was added to this year's survey. Stakeholders were asked if they were interested in a presentation on FAP's mandate and services. An overwhelming number of affirmative responses was received. As a result, the Fédération des francophones de la Colombie-Britannique plans to add this to their 2016 Presidents annual meeting's agenda.</p>
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Appendix A – List of Projects**

Objective 1 – Results A.1		
Number and type of renewed projects directly provided to citizens		
Title	Description	Type and Partners
Health and Social Services		
Healthy Schools	Healthy Schools BC is a multi-year initiative of the Healthy Families BC prevention strategy with the objective of strengthening health-education partnerships. The Ministry has started development of a full suite of French-language resources and a unique French-language Web portal.	Ministry of Health, Healthy Settings and Physical Activity Branch Direct services to French-speaking parents with age-appropriate children and to French-speaking students
Early Childhood French Educational Programs	French-language programs offered to children (0-6) to encourage their learning of French through scheduled activities, music, free play and socialization.	Partnership with the District of Tofino, Ucluelet and the municipalities of Victoria and Vancouver Direct services to children aged 0-6
Social support and counselling in French	Coordination and integration of social services to assist French-speaking homeless individuals in securing housing and necessary supports to enhance their self-sufficiency. Ultimately, the goal is to reduce chronic homelessness among Francophone individuals.	Partnership with the Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation Direct services to French-speaking homeless individuals
Child Health Passport	Publication of the document in French to ensure that all Francophone families with newborns have the information necessary for the proper growth of their babies. The passport is distributed with the help of community groups such as the Fédération des parents francophones de la Colombie-Britannique.	Partnership with the Ministry of Health Direct services to parents of newborns

Guide for British Columbia seniors	Translation and printing of the guide. This resource contains useful information about provincial programs and services for British Columbia seniors.	Ministry of Health, Seniors' Health Promotion Directorate Direct services to seniors
Provincial Francophone official in charge of health coordination	Point of access to French-language resources on health and well-being for the Francophone community and health care providers.	Partnership between the Provincial Health Services Authority and the BC Women's Hospital & Health Centre Direct services to French-speaking patients and newcomers
Economic Development		
French Resources Map	A Web-friendly map has been created to connect French-speaking citizens to education, daycare, health care, business and tourism services available in French in British Columbia. The map is updated each year and can be accessed on a smart phone, tablet or computer.	Partnership with: Government of British Columbia: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DataBC 2. Ministry of Education 3. Work BC Community organizations: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fédération des Francophones de la C.-B. 2. Société de développement économique de la C.-B. 3. Réso-Santé 4. Fédération des parents francophones de la C.-B. Direct services to Francophones and Francophiles living in or looking to immigrate to British Columbia
Économusées	The Économusées project strengthens and highlights the bilingual economic space in British Columbia. It does so by enhancing the presence of the French language within the provincial artisanal business community through an educational model that uses museology principles and interaction with the public to share original and culturally relevant information.	Partnership with the Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training and the City of Nelson Direct services linking Francophone artisanal businesses, residents and tourists

Justice		
Prosecutor training – bilingual criminal trials	This project aims to assume the constitutionally mandated responsibility to prosecute individuals who assert their right to a criminal trial in French.	Partnership with the Ministry of Justice Build capacity to offer direct services
Public legal information documents	Translation and revision of justice-related material.	Partnership with the Legal Services Society Direct services to Francophones needing assistance in navigating the legal system
Communication		
Budget Highlights	French translation, Web posting and printing of a budget consultation brochure	Government Communications and Public Engagement Outreach to Franco-Columbians interested in participating in public consultation
Public Consultation	GovTogetherBC has a website for public consultations and dialogue. This year, the Francophone community was consulted on the provincial budget. The site offers a French translation of the consultation questions and documents posted on the website.	Government Communications and Public Engagement Outreach to Franco-Columbians interested in participating in public consultation
Parliamentary Education	A variety of resources and programs to educate citizens and students about parliamentary life and democracy in British Columbia, including translation services for educational events.	Partnership with the Legislative Assembly Direct services to French-speaking residents and tourists
Arts and Culture		
Victoria Film Festival	Annual media arts event providing the community with access to a diverse range of French-language films and to dialogue about the French cinema.	Partnership with the City of Victoria Direct exposure to over 24,000 festival-goers. Six Francophone films were screened and there was an audience of over 8,000.
Canada Day Celebrations	This project takes advantage of the largest annual public celebration on Vancouver Island to showcase	Partnership with the City of Victoria

	French-Canadian culture. In addition to the daytime activities, a Francophone headline show was featured on the main stage in the evening.	Outreach to approximately 50,000 people in attendance
Francophonie Day	<p>The theme of this year's Francophonie Day was Health. Tribute was paid to Brian Conway to honour his efforts to develop resources in the health sector for Franco-Columbians. Dr. Conway is the current president of RésoSanté Colombie-Britannique, one of the 17 networks of the Société Santé en français.</p> <p>RésoSanté Colombie-Britannique has also entered into partnerships with the Directorate of Agencies for School Health (DASH BC), the Conseil scolaire francophone, and the BC Ministry of Health for the launch of French-language resources for Francophone or French immersion students as part of Healthy Schools BC.</p>	Partnerships: Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education, DashBC and Government Communications and Public Engagement
Rendez-vous du cinéma québécois	Festival to celebrate Quebec filmmaking and increase knowledge and understanding of French-Canadian culture. This year, the Tournée du cinéma québécois and Société francophone de Victoria renewed a partnership with the Victoria Film Festival. In addition, the city of Sydney was added to the proceedings, extending the project's reach and increasing the number of screenings. The Tournée also renewed ties with Les Rendez vous des films québécois et francophones de Vancouver with Vision Owest Production.	Partnership with the City of Victoria Outreach to Francophones and Francophiles to give them the opportunity of a French-language cultural experience. Over 2,000 spectators watched the movies and 300 students participated in the film-related activities. There was an impressive increase in the number of participants, from 900 people in 2014-15 to over 2,000 in 2015-16.
French-language Resources in Public Libraries	More French-language material in libraries across British Columbia thanks to an offer of funding matching that provided by the municipality.	Partnership with the municipalities of Nicholas Thompson, Nelson and the district of Vancouver Island Direct services to Francophone and Francophile

		library users of all ages
Kelowna MapleFest	Kelowna MapleFest is an annual event that is constantly growing. The festival's arts programming is directly aligned with the objective of making art universally accessible so as to foster the sharing and discovery of Francophone arts and culture.	Partnership with the BC Arts Council and the City of Kelowna Outreach to all residents and festival-goers
Francophonie Games	This sports and cultural event brings together 150 French-speaking young people aged 14-18 from across the province. In addition to fostering their pride in Francophone culture, it enables the young people to develop healthy lifestyles and leadership skills.	Partnership with the township of Esquimalt Direct services to event participants and outreach to parents and guardians
Spark Animation Festival	Adding a Francophone component to the Spark animation festival and conference has helped to enhance the level of Francophone participation and talent in British-Columbia. In the long term, the event has the potential to inspire French-speaking students to pursue a career in the movie and animated film industry.	Vancouver Economic Commission Direct services to Francophone artists working in animation and outreach to Francophone festival-goers
Celebration of Bastille Day	Held in Vancouver, the event featured numerous arts groups, a food court and many activities. Over 1,000 people were in attendance.	City of Vancouver

Objective 1 – Results A.2		
Number and type of new projects (directly provided to citizens) with existing partners		
Title	Description	Type and Partners
Health and Social Services		
Elder abuse information workshops	The purpose of the workshops is to educate the public about seniors’ rights, to raise awareness of the risks of abuse, and to promote the availability of services, including the emergency help line.	Ministry of Health, Seniors Strategic Planning Direct services to seniors
Elder abuse prevention	The government and the community have joined forces to create a committee to prevent elder abuse through a restorative justice process.	Partnership with the Legal Services Society Outreach to Francophone seniors, chiefly in Vancouver
Economic Development		
Tourism upgrades - Nelson	Nelson modernization project – bilingual cultural tourism infrastructure, including bilingual historical elements, aiming to attract more Francophone tourists and to support the development of more French-language activities.	Partnership with the City of Nelson Direct services focusing on education about the Francophone heritage of British Columbia
Heritage Sites Interpretive Signage	This project created interpretive signs to facilitate Francophone access to our four provincially-owned heritage sites: Kilby Historic Site, Emily Carr House, Historic Yale, and Point Ellice House.	Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training, Heritage Branch Outreach to residents and tourists
Communications		
Educational book <i>Apprivoiser ses dragons</i>	The most common mental health problems are anxiety disorders. Prompt intervention contributes to the development of coping skills. Recommended by BC physicians, this translation of the book <i>Taming Worry Dragons</i> helps children to explore defence mechanisms as they play.	Partnership between the Provincial Health Services Authority and the BC Women’s Hospital & Health Centre Direct services to children and their families

Community television project: <i>Capturez le passé, le présent et l'avenir de la Communauté Maillardville</i>	The project allows residents, organizations and businesses to identify and document Francophone stories and to play an important role in supporting contemporary Francophone identity and culture.	City of Coquitlam
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Objective 1 – Results A.3		
Number and type of new projects (directly provided to citizens) with new partners		
Title	Description	Type and Partners
Health and Social Services		
Educational video on eating disorders	The video, used by health professionals, parents and young people, presents changes in philosophy and useful approaches for helping families whose children or teenagers are suffering from eating disorders.	Partnership between the Provincial Health Services Authority and the BC Women’s Hospital & Health Centre Direct services to teenagers and their families
Educational video on diet management problems	The video, used by health professionals, parents and young people, presents changes in philosophy and useful approaches for helping families whose children or teenagers are having diet management problems.	Partnership between the Provincial Health Services Authority and the BC Women’s Hospital & Health Centre Direct services to teenagers and their families.
Economic Development		
First Nations and Métis micro-website	Aboriginal BC supports First Nations and Métis cultural preservation and economic development. The French-language micro-site will target the province’s Francophone community and allow it to explore information on aboriginal cultures and tourism experiences.	Partnership with the Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training and Aboriginal BC

Économusées - Nelson	The city of Nelson is developing a new local network of artisans and artists with a new économusée model: Artisans at Work Community ÉCONOMUSÉE®. This new project will bring more activities to public spaces in the city of Nelson via hands-on interactive exhibitions presenting the unique histories of local craftspeople as an integral part of the city and of the region's heritage.	Partnership with the City of Nelson Direct services linking Francophone artisanal businesses, residents and tourists
Justice		
British Columbia Francophone Youth Parliament	The BC Francophone Youth Parliament is a parliamentary simulation where young people debate in French social issues of concern to them. It is a great opportunity for them to increase their sense of belonging to the Francophone community while learning about the provincial legislative process.	Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development Direct services to the event participants and outreach to the participants' families and friends
Communications		
Guide for newcomers	The community inclusiveness program produces an excellent guide listing many useful resources for newcomers to our community.	Partnership with the City of Revelstoke