

**British Columbia Francophone Affairs Program
2021-2022 List of Projects by Sector of Activity**

Title	Description	Partners
Internal support to administrative structures		
French Language Training	The French one-on-one course offers Government of British Columbia employees the opportunity to increase confidence in French conversations with clients and stakeholders. The course is adapted to the learner's needs.	B.C. Public Service Agency, Learning Centre
French Legal Terminology Training for Crown Counsel	The French legal terminology training offers prosecutors and legal support staff, the skills to conduct bilingual criminal trials in the provincial court and Supreme Court. The training includes French legal terminology seminars with specialized French legal terminology materials, and French legal continuing education programs.	Ministry of Attorney General and Justice, Criminal Justice Branch/Crown Counsel
Community Services		
Expanding access to French reading materials through public libraries	<p>With the increasing popularity of French Education programs in B.C., there is also an increasing demand for more and better French content in B.C. Public Libraries.</p> <p>Funding was provided over a two-year period to acquire the platform Demarque's Cantook Station eBook and audiobook collection. A province-wide subscription will be managed by the BC Libraries Cooperative on behalf of 71 public library members. As a result, people throughout British Columbia will have access to over 275,000 titles in French.</p>	Ministry of Education, Libraries Branch and B.C. Libraries Cooperative

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Early Childhood French Educational Programs	French recreation programs offer support to young children in getting familiar with French language and culture through socialization, activities, music, movement, free play and stories.	District of Saanich City of Richmond City of Coquitlam, Maillardville District
Health and Social Services		
Social Support and Counselling Services in French	The project improves the delivery of social services to the Francophone community. The project offers coordinated social services to assist French-speaking homeless individuals in securing housing and necessary support to enhance their self-sufficiency.	Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, La Boussole
Provincial Coordination for French-Language Health Services	The Provincial Health Coordinator is the point of access to French-language resources on health and well-being for the Francophone community and health care providers.	Provincial Health Services Authority
Newborn Health Care Information and Parents Drop-in Activities	Parents of babies under one years old receive French materials to ensure optimal development and well-being for their child. In addition, parents learn about language development, parenting, nutrition, etc., through French workshops and drop-in activities for families with children who are five years old and younger.	Ministry of Children and Family Development, Fédération des parents francophones de la Colombie-Britannique
Opioid Crisis	<p>Numbers released from the B.C. Coroners Service show a death toll through the first ten months of 2021 of 1,782 a 74 percent increase over the number of deaths recorded in 2019.</p> <p>The project aims at understanding and creating a profile of BC Francophones impacted by the opioid crisis (users, peer support and support organizations from the health and social services sector in</p>	Provincial Health Services Authority, with support from La Boussole, RésoSanté Colombie-Britannique and the Vancouver Infectious Disease Centre/Francophone Medical Centre

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	particular) to increase francophone information available in the healthcare system.	
My Voice Advance Care Planning Guide	The guide allows users to think about what is important, document their beliefs and wishes, and develop an advance care plan that outlines their wishes in case a person is unable to do so in due course.	Ministry of Health
Child Health Passport	French Translation and printing of the revised Child Health Passport distributed to new parents to help them record their child important health information.	Ministry of Health
Integrated Child & Youth Teams Website	The Integrated Child and Youth (ICY) teams are part of B.C.'s strategy for mental health and substance use care. The ICY teams, bring services together in a multidisciplinary team setting. The web page was French translated.	Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions, Integrated Child & Youth Teams
Economic Development		
Digital Marketing	Accompaniment in digital marketing for francophone entrepreneurs offers accompaniment services to help francophone entrepreneurs develop or intensify their online presence.	Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation, Société de développement économique de la Colombie-Britannique
Provincial Nominee Program	French translation of Destination Canada PowerPoint to access Francophone global talent through the British Columbia Provincial Nominee Program.	Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Immigration Services & Strategic Planning Division
Care Aid	Creation of tools and safe space for healthy conversations regarding the links between love and money, to reduce the economic vulnerability of women and their children. The project primarily targets female French immigrants to sensitize them	BC Gaming, Réseau-Femmes Colombie-Britannique

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	<p>on the economic consequences that their marital choice may entail.</p>	
<p>French Resources Map</p>	<p>Maintenance of a Web-friendly map connects French-speaking citizens to education, childcare, health care, as well as business and tourism services available in French in the province. The map is updated on an annual basis; it can be accessed with a smartphone, tablet or computer.</p>	<p>Government of British Columbia:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ministry of Citizens' Services 2. Ministry of Education 3. Advanced Education, Skills and Training, Work B.C. <p>Community organizations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fédération des Francophones de la Colombie-Britannique; 2. Société de développement économique de la Colombie-Britannique; 3. RésoSanté.Fédération des Francophones de la Colombie-Britannique; 4. Société de développement économique de la Colombie-Britannique; 5. RésoSanté.

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Justice		
Public Legal Information Documents	Through this initiative, the public has access to French justice-related material.	Legal Services Society
Development and maintenance of a bilingual prosecution service	The project supports the delivery of a training session for police forces with respect to language rights of Francophone defendants under the BC Offence Act. In addition, the project acquired French criminal code and legal reference books to start creating an internal library for Bilingual prosecutors.	Ministry of Attorney General, Bilingual Prosecution Group
Legislative Assembly French Tours and Materials	Outside French guided tours and translation of various materials and self-guided booklets allows French-speaking British Columbians and visitors to learn about parliamentary business in a democratic government.	British Columbia Legislative Assembly
Youth Criminal Justice Act Pocket Book	Translation and review of the 2021 British Columbia Pocket Guide for the Youth Criminal Justice Act. The purpose of the Guide is to serve as a quick reference tool for personal research.	Ministry of Children & Family Development Specialized Intervention and Youth Justice Branch
Arts and Culture		
Victoria Film Festival	An annual cultural event went virtual, Victoria Film Festival and Free-B Film Festival, offers access to a variety of films in French and opportunities for interactions and discussions in French.	Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport – B.C. Arts Council, Victoria Independent Film and Video Festival.
B.C. Francophonie Day	<p>Every year, the B.C. Government celebrates Francophonie Day. This year's theme was "Arts and Culture". The sector counts several organisations across the province delivering a broad range of arts and culture activities. The theme recognized the resilience of the organisations during the pandemic and highlighted the contribution to the well-being and mental health of British Columbians.</p> <p>On this occasion, the Government paid tribute to the Conseil culturel et artistique francophone de la Colombie-Britannique.</p>	Ministry of Finance – Government Communications and Public Engagement

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British Columbia Francophone Youth Parliament	The British Columbia Francophone Youth Parliament is a parliamentary simulation in which youth delegates debate social issues in French while learning about the provincial legislative process. This year event was held virtually.	Ministry of Municipal Affairs – BC Gaming, Conseil Jeunesse Francophone de la Colombie-Britannique.
Maple Sugar Festival	Inspired by traditional sugar shacks in Eastern Canada, a three-day live streamed festival that includes musical and dance performances. An online store was created to order traditional food such as creton and meat pie as well as a variety of maple products.	Ministry of Municipal Affairs – BC Gaming, Association des francophones de Nanaimo.
Circus Art	The project aimed at young people from 5 to 18 years old provides them the opportunity to learn different disciplines related to circus arts, such as juggling, muffle stilts, trapeze, high wire and clown. The physical and playful activities responded to the need for French extra-curriculum activities. In addition to the in-person sessions, a free online circus and movie special allowed families to take advantage of the activity.	Municipality of Ucluelet Visions Ouest Productions
Printemps de la francophonie 2022	Academic virtual initiative on the influence and impact of French literature through a variety of activities in French: film screenings, presentations, workshops with Francophone guest speakers, writers and artists.	Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training, Simon Fraser University, Conseil jeunesse francophone de la Colombie-Britannique
French Theatre	The project supported the 2021-2022 production of four French performances of ZERO, a story spanning three generations, from father to son; from Iran to Canada, from exile to adopted country. The performance questions “Are we what we’ve inherited or what we will pass on?”	BC Gaming, Le Théâtre de la seizième
Communications		
French Consultation on the Provincial Budget	French translated materials allow French-speaking citizens to participate in B.C.’s public consultation and meetings across British Columbia.	Ministry of Finance – Government Communications and Public Engagement

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French Translations	Support the Office of the Premier and ministerial offices responsible for media communications to manage the translation and diffusion of documents and news releases in French identified as a priority by a government organization or a B.C. Francophone organization.	Ministry of Finance – Government Communications and Public Engagement
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