



## IN THIS ISSUE:

Welcome to the last 2019 issue of *Staying Connected!* Hear more about us as we showcase **Ottawa Employment Hub** as the featured funder, highlighting our funding and other available support. This issue also provides a special **Year in Review** with updates on everything LEPC. We share a sneak peek at our **Guide to Career Conversations**, our first official quarterly publication of **Real-time Labour Supply and Demand**, and introduce our **Employer Survey on Youth Employment!** Partner News and Upcoming Events are also highlighted every month.



### HIGHLIGHTED FUNDER OTTAWA EMPLOYMENT HUB

Ottawa Employment has been funded by the Ontario Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development as a **Local Employment Planning Council (LEPC)** since 2015 – one of eight LEPC pilots across the province.

#### Our mandate from MLTSD:

“LEPCs are workplace intermediaries designed to improve labour market conditions in local communities through enhanced collection and dissemination of local labour market information, and community engagement to drive local approaches in the planning and delivery of employment and training services”.



### SPOTLIGHT ON FUNDING & OTHER SUPPORT

Our role is to connect business and community partners to bridge the skills gap and broaden the search for talent. We provide local labour market information to help employers, workers and job seekers make informed choices.

Each year, we fund up to **\$25,000** for a community stakeholder project to research and test, where possible, innovative local labour market solutions. The funding is supplemented with in-kind support and a third-party evaluation.

We also sponsor events and provide in-kind support to a wide variety of projects. Ask us how we can support you!



In 2016-17, the LEPC funded a one-year pilot of John Howard Society (JHS)'s Share Forward Mentorship Program for persons in the criminal justice system. JHS used the program evaluation to apply for sustained funded.



In 2018, we funded three projects:

- Ottawa Board of Trade's Making It in Manufacturing Summit 2018
- What More Can BIAs Do? – A cross sector and province wide labour market opportunity
- EcoEquitable's Sewn Goods Sector focus groups and report



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## HIGHLIGHT | EMPLOYER SURVEY ON YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

We are partnering with Youth Ottawa to get employer perspectives on youth employment. Complete our survey [here](#) and share within your networks!

## HIGHLIGHT | LMI LIBRARY

**Real-time Labour Supply and Demand in Ottawa** – our first official publication provides a quarterly view of job ads and job seeker profiles online – check out our Q3 2019 report [here](#).

## HIGHLIGHT | EMPLOYMENT & LEARNING RESOURCES

Get a sneak peek at our **Guide to Career Conversations** for parents, teachers and other trusted advisors. The concept and early content has been pulled together with Uneath Education and Action Team #4.

## 2019 - LEPC YEAR IN REVIEW

Thank you to the 60+ community and business partners on our action teams!

### INTEGRATED PLANNING

Launched *Staying Connected* with 250+ newsletter subscribers and 50+ monthly attendees  
500+ youth responded to our *Youth Employment survey*

### LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION AND INTELLIGENCE

Published *Real-time Labour Supply and Demand in Ottawa*  
Developed *Labour Market Navigator* brand and new LMI products

### SERVICE COORDINATION FOR EMPLOYERS

Launched our *Employer Help Desk* with 30 requests and 90+ service connections made in the first three months

### RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

Developed concept and brand for our *Guide to Career Conversations* for parents, teachers and trusted advisors  
60+ employers and unions informed our *In-Demand Skilled Trades* project to be published in 2020

### SHARING BEST PRACTICES AND PROMISING APPROACHES

Partnered with Ottawa Board of Trade on their September Talent Summit with 130+ attendees

### OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Other 2019 highlights: Making It in Manufacturing Resource Network and STUFF magazine launch, OLIP's Biennial Immigration Forum partnership, forming PSYE Leadership Table with RBC and United Way, and having 400+ attendees at our Building Connections event in February



## PARTNER NEWS:

See Upcoming Events below for a series of Partners Dialogues on funding opportunities.

Find out more about the recent announcement of MLTSD's Skills Catalyst CFP [here](#).

A big congratulations to the **Rideau-Rockcliffe Community Resource Centre**, winner of the sixth [New Leaf Community Challenge](#). receiving \$125,000 to support their youth business incubator. Ottawa Employment Hub now has a desk at their **Incubator13** space at Rideau Hub.

**Social Enterprise Platform (SEP)** goes "live" – a partnership made up of public, private and philanthropic organizations, led by the Ottawa Community Foundation (OCF) to help organizations in our sector become more sustainable and amplify their social impact.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:



### Social media finds:

United Way Ontario East  
[@UnitedWayEO](#)

Future Skills Centre  
[@fsc\\_ccf\\_en](#)

Business Higher Education  
Roundtable (BHER) [@BHERCanada](#)



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### Partner Dialogue on MLTSD Micro-Credentials RapidSkills and Skills Catalyst CFPs

January 7th, 2020, 3:00 to 4:30pm or January 9th, 2020, 1:30 to 3:00pm, Bayview Yards (call-in option).

### Partner Dialogue on Ottawa Community Foundation community grants

January 16th, 2020, 11:00 to 12:00pm or January 17th, 2020, 2:00 to 3:00pm, Bayview Yards (call-in option).

### Partner Dialogue on United Way Community Fund

January 21st, 2020, 3:00 to 4:30pm or January 23rd, 2020, 1:30 to 3:00pm, Bayview Yards (call-in option).

### HOLD THE DATE - STUFF Job and Career Fair

March 24th, 2020, Bayview Yards. City of Ottawa and Ottawa Employment Hub are hosting this inaugural event for job seekers and students to connect to jobs and explore careers in manufacturing, construction and skilled trades. Stay tuned!