

Summary of 2006 CDIF Projects

No.	Project	Services Delivered	Agency(ies)	Agency Main YR Office	Service Catchment Area
1	After School Program	Expansion of the After School Program (a program of planned and supervised activities for children in social housing communities) from three to five evenings per week, and from 30 to 32 weeks per year. The program served over 400 children from 280 families.	York Professional Care & Education	Aurora	Newmarket Richmond Hill Georgina Aurora
2	Child Care and Safety Training for Vulnerable Populations	Two programs targeted to low-income families and those isolated by language and/or cultural barriers. 1) A program to provide skills to care for children for an anticipated 150 youth aged 11-15. 2) A ChildSafe Program that promotes injury prevention for an anticipated 100 parents and caregivers of children.	Canadian Red Cross, Region of York Branch	Newmarket	All of York Region
3	Communities in Action	A project jointly funded by the Province (60%) and York Region which provided sport and recreation coordinators in five social housing sites for programs that benefited over 200 youth from vulnerable families in 2006.	YMCA	Markham	Newmarket Aurora Richmond Hill
4	Community Development Project	A project that strengthened three Housing York Inc. communities (totalling 765 residents) which need greater cohesion and growth by developing residents' abilities to support and help each other. The project also encouraged the communities to sustain their own growth and development.	Canadian Mental Health Association	Newmarket	Georgina, Newmarket and environs
5	Community Housing Support Worker Program (4 projects)	These four projects found permanent housing for approximately 386 homeless families and individuals. 1) Transitional and Supportive Housing helped them make the transition from emergency shelter and the domiciliary hostel to permanent housing. 2) Pathways Home Base	1) Transitional and Supportive Housing Services of York Region;	1) East Gwillimbury 2) Markham 3) Newmarket 4) Georgina	All of York Region

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		focused on assisting the youth that access their service, 3) Rose of Sharon serves young mothers and young families. 4) The Salvation Army through the Sutton Youth Multi-service Centre addresses youth at risk..	2) Pathways; 3) Rose of Sharon 4) Salvation Army		
6	Community Kitchens	The Community Kitchen project provided training to over 100 low income women in York Region who learned new, economical and safe ways of cooking that benefited approximately 250 residents. The activity contributed to meeting basic food needs through the provision of 2-3 days of nutritious food for the participants and their families.	York Region Food Network	Newmarket	All of York Region
7	Community Resource Worker	Implemented a Community Youth Resource Worker program in the Town of Newmarket to build network and referral services for over 400 youth at risk.	Newmarket Youth Centre	Newmarket	Newmarket and environs
8	Early Childhood Development & Parenting Supports (AOK)	Early child development and parenting drop-in programs for parents and caregivers with children from birth to 6 years of age. Programs provided learning opportunities and resources that promote healthy child development, attachment and readiness for school and life. Over 3,600 children and 2,700 parent/caregivers attended the programs.	5 licensed Child Care Agencies, 2 Resource Centres, 1 Municipal Rec. Dept., 1 Children's Mental Health Agency	Aurora, Markham, Newmarket, Richmond Hill, Vaughan	All of York Region
9	Early Years Outreach Program	Using strategies designed to best support young mothers, the Early Years Outreach Program linked 235 young mothers under age 25 to early years programs in their communities.	Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers	Newmarket	All of York Region
10	Economic Literacy, Life Skills & Mentors – Success for At-Risk Youth in York	A project which utilised 140 private sector presenters and mentors to provide important business and life skills to over 1,950 at risk youth 12 – 14 years in grades 7 & 8 classes in 30 selected York Region schools.	Junior Achievement of Central Ontario	Toronto	All of York Region

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11	Employment Assistance and Retention Network for Family Enrichment & Economic Renewal Program	This project provided employment assistance for 52 foreign-trained individuals to identify their transferable skills, assess their professional and trade qualifications and connect them to family supports where needed.	Training Renewal Foundation	Vaughan	All of York Region
12	Focus on Fathers	This project enabled the expansion of the Focus on Fathers program to provide multicultural parenting courses in four languages that benefited over 270 fathers, parents and grandparents across York Region.	Catholic Community Services of York Region	Richmond Hill	York Region locations in Georgina, King, Markham, Newmarket, Vaughan, Whitchurch-Stouffville
13	Friends for Today, Leaders for Tomorrow - a school mentoring project	The Friends for Today, Leaders for Tomorrow project provided opportunity for 38 volunteer teen mentors (16-18 years old) from diverse community groups to participate in the In-School Mentoring Program with 35 at-risk children from Performance Plus schools.	Big Brothers Big Sisters of York Region	Newmarket	Newmarket Markham
14	Home Base Youth Drop in Centre	A program that supported almost 400 youth who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, through delivering counselling, employment services, housing search assistance, social recreation, food, clothing, life skills and other resources.	Pathways for Children, Youth and Families York Region	Markham	The main catchment area is Richmond Hill and environs, although at risk youth from all of York Region can access the services
15	Housing Help Centre	Funding to maintain and update a walk-in and on-line housing registry that served over 5,500 clients and landlords directly. Of those which secured housing, many remained housed after 3 months. The Centre's web site received over 950,500 hits during the year.	Citizens for Affordable Housing	Richmond Hill	All of York Region

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16	ID Clinic	The ID Clinic worked with 1,244 individuals and families who are homeless, and those with little or no income to obtain personal identification needed to get necessary services such as health care, income supports, employment supports, education, housing, food banks, opening a bank account and other services.	Canadian Mental Health Association	Newmarket	All of York Region
17	Job Track	A project that was designed to address the needs of multiple-barriered low-income residents. The project provided 59 clients with employment life skills, job search tools and supports, Personality Dimensions and career exploration, and job shadowing experience. Participants also received one-on-one supports, certification in Customer Service, WHMIS, and three month follow-up supports. Employment was found by 22 participants.	Georgina Job Skills Project o/a Job Skills	Georgina up until February 2007 when the agency relocated to Newmarket	Keswick, Newmarket, Markham Richmond Hill
18	Out of the Cold	Support to four sites located in the south end of York Region, providing food clothing and emergency shelter over the winter months. The program is supported by 250 volunteers and provides service to approximately 100 persons each week during the winter months.	Temple Har Zion, St. Lukes Catholic Church, Jaffari As-Sadiq Islamic School, Thornhill United Church	Richmond Hill/Thornhill	All of York Region
19	Positive Leisure Activities for Children and Youth (PLAY)	A project that gives access to seasonal recreational programs offered by local municipal recreation departments to children 4 – 12 years old of families receiving Ontario Works or Rent Geared to Income or Child Care Fee Assistance under LICO. More than 900 children from over 600 families participated in this program in 2006.	Nine municipal Parks, Recreation and Culture Departments	All local municipalities	All of York Region

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20	Rainbows Program in York Region	This project provided support programs for almost 50 additional pre-schoolers, children and youth who are at risk due to tragic, life-altering loss in their family.	Rainbows Canada	Barrie	All of York Region
21	School Social Worker	This project filled a gap in community social work services by providing a range of supports to families of children attending two newer public elementary schools in Vaughan. The project offered on-site services which included consultation, prevention and treatment to an estimated 49 families and 441 children.	Jewish Family and Child Services	Toronto	Vaughan
22	Strengthen Co-ordination and Build Capacity for Integrating Services	A project that strengthened and expanded the development of links between the South Asian Community and established community service providers in York Region by delivering 29 information presentation sessions to over 890 residents from this community. The project trained and utilised over 30 volunteers who delivered the presentations.	Social Services Network for the York Region	Markham	All of York Region
23	Summer camps and recreational activities for Children and Youth (2 projects)	1) Support for two youth summer camp activities for youth residing in social housing or receiving Ontario Works. These programs served 70 youth 13 to 17 years of age. 2) Provided over 500 children of Ontario Works participants and those from social housing communities access to summer recreational programs offered by area municipal Parks and Recreation Departments.	1) The Salvation Army and York Professional Care and Education 2) Nine municipal Parks, Recreation and Culture Departments	1) Scarborough 2) Aurora	All of York Region
24	Strengthening Organizational	This project advanced the development of the York Region Community Foundation to achieve recognition and	York Region Community	Markham	All of York Region

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	Capacity	accreditation targets.	Foundation		
25	Supports and Training to Informal Child Care Providers	A Child Care Training Program delivered to informal home child care providers to enhance the quality of private home care provided in York Region. Over 175 child care providers were trained to Level 1 (Safety) and of these 120 completed Level 2 (Family Child Care).	York Professional Care and Education	Aurora	All of York Region
26	Supports for Youth at Risk	A project designed to support the maintenance of service levels - to mitigate the impact of a loss of funding by the agency for services through the Newmarket Youth Shelter. The Shelter serves 80 youth.	Transitional and Supportive Housing Services of York Region	East Gwillimbury	Newmarket and environs
27	Sutton Youth Multi-Service Centre - Employment Supports	Part-time employment support counsellor who provided aptitude/skill assessments, resume writing assistance and other job search supports to over 50 clients of the Sutton Youth Multi-Service Centre.	Salvation Army	Georgina	Georgina and environs
28	Swim to Survive	In 2006 this project provided training for over 2,800 grade three children to survive an unexpected fall into water. Schools with a high population of low income families and/or recent immigrants were recommended by the Public and Catholic School Boards.	Nine municipal Parks, Recreation and Culture Departments	All local municipalities	All of York Region
29	Winter Needs	Assistance to 13 community agencies for emergency supplies for meeting the needs of their homeless and at risk clients during winter. The goal of the initiative is to enhance services and infrastructure of community agencies in York Region.	13 Community Service Agencies in York Region	Aurora, East Gwillimbury, Georgina, Markham, Newmarket, Richmond Hill	All of York Region
30	York Region Abuse Program - Abuse	Support to expand the Abuse Prevention Program which delivered theatrical and classroom presentations in six elementary and 6 high schools reaching an estimated 5,145	Abuse Program of York Region o/a York	Newmarket	All of York Region

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	Prevention Program	elementary school and 925 high school students. The project also recruited, trained and supervised 3 intern therapists.	Region Abuse Program		
31	York Region Alliance to End Homelessness - Planning for a Sustainable Future	A project that facilitated the development of a strategic approach to long-term sustainable funding, support ongoing coordination, public awareness, research and development and organizational stability.	CMHA	Newmarket	All of York Region
32	York Region Food For Learning	Supported a program that provided breakfast, snack and/or emergency lunch programs to school children in need, and identified areas for expansion of this service. Nearly 1,800 children attended new school feeding programs, and overall the program benefited almost 19,200 students.	York Region Food for Learning/ Family Day Care Services	Newmarket	All of York Region
33	York Region Street Outreach Van	A mobile outreach van which served the homeless, seriously mentally ill and/or street involved. The project focused on homelessness outreach and provided potentially life-saving medical and clothing interventions for an estimated 1,985 at risk York Region residents with whom contact is made.	Loft Community Services/ Crosslinks Housing & Support Service	Aurora	All of York Region
34	Youth Homelessness Project	Additional support for a federally funded youth at risk drop-in program in social housing communities. The program includes workshops, information sessions, and discussion groups, providing support and guidance in education, employment, life skills, healthy relationships, housing, finances, legal issues, and sexual health. Through CDIF funding over 70 additional youth participated in this program.	York Region Family and Children's Services	Newmarket	Richmond Hill and environs