



## Quotes from each of the Strategic Social Plan Regions of the Province Calling for Increased Career Development Support for Youth and the Expansion/Adaptation of the Community Career Centre Model

### Labrador Region

“The CCC model is an excellent one for our region. Labrador being so isolated, this medium allows young people to access the experiences of other youth across the province to gain information and share experiences. It opens doors to other sites, permits youth to learn about careers they may never have realized existed and it's youth speaking to youth through a medium they are very comfortable using.

For teachers and other community leaders, it gives the same access, both from an information perspective and from a delivery point of view. Strategies, lesson plans, contacts and a host of other initiatives can be generated through the CCC model.”

**Dave Martin, Program Specialist,  
Student Support Services,  
Labrador School District**

### Central Region

“In a survey (April, 2001), of educators from Exploits Valley High School and Greenwood Academy 97% (35) of respondents indicated their support for adapting the Community Career Centre model to other regions of the province.”

**Keith Collins, Program Specialist,  
Baie Verte, Central,  
Connaigre School District**

### Cormack Grenfell Region

“The kinds of programs/services provided by the Community Career Centre are badly needed in our area. This collaborative community initiative would be a significant help to us in attaining our goal of actively supporting and encouraging a greater number of our students to pursue post secondary education and/or career related training opportunities.”

**Tony Kearney, Partnership Facilitator,  
Northern Peninsula/Labrador  
South School District**

### Eastern Region

“In reviewing the Community Career Centre site I see great possibilities for it as it relates to what is happening on the Burin Peninsula. In the last month the Burin Peninsula School Board has entered into a partnership with the Schooner Regional Economic Development Corporation, CBDC, DITRD and HRDC to provide career and employment counseling services to youth under 30 years of age. We have hired a Youth Employment Counselor to work with our “At Risk” students in our community. Considering we have one of the highest rates of unemployment and youth out-migration, we saw a need to provide greater services to these clients.

The new program that you have embarked on will greatly enhance our programs to provide career counseling and entrepreneurial skills to our youth, with hope that we can offer these "at risk" youth with goal setting and educational programs to prevent them from becoming greater burdens on society and government.

We see the focus of our program to be one of utmost urgency, especially when we see so many of our youth wandering the streets, being truant from schools, ending up involved with the justice system or on HR & E case loads. The success of your program will undoubtedly be a service our region will access as we develop our job shadowing, mentoring, work placement and career exploration programs. We look forward to working with your Community Career Center to make our regional program as productive and successful as possible.”

**Graham Wood, Program Specialist,  
Burin Peninsula School District**

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***Eastern Region***

“As a Youth Employment Counsellor with the Schooner Regional Development Corporation on the Burin Peninsula, I see first hand the need for direction, support, and encouragement among our youth. Too many youth make important life decisions without the support and information that is needed. A person requires first hand knowledge of a career field before he or she can make a sound decision to invest both their money and time into it's creation.

The Community Career Center provides this much-needed service to youth throughout the Northeast Avalon Region. In my opinion this is a highly valuable asset to the Northeast

Avalon area. I feel that these services would be of equal value to the youth residing on the Burin Peninsula and across our province.”

**Angela Hooper,  
Youth Employment Counsellor,  
Schooner Regional Development Corporation,  
Burin Peninsula**

***Avalon Region***

“I certainly believe that we need more career development models in different regions of this province...I always say that 'if you fail to plan you plan to fail' - many of the problems facing youth today has to do with failing to plan in the areas of career development.”

**Michelle Cleary-Haire,  
Women Interested in Successful Employment,  
Carbonear**

***Northeast Avalon***

“The value of this Community Career Centre (CCC) initiative is in it's capacity to build upon the contributions of education, community and employers. As we participate together in the different components of the Community Career Center we build relationships, information and expertise. For participants in YMCA-YWCA programs, this CCC process has enhanced our existing career development services, particularly for our youth population. The Job Shadowing experience and Ask a Person with Experience modules are utilized by us in tandem with other career development tools. For our participants, this has been an invaluable experience.”

**Karen Youden Walsh,  
YMCA-YWCA,  
Community and Employment Programs**

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participants and community  
partners!*

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***Community Career Centre***

***"It takes an  
entire community  
to raise a child."***