

**Summary of ROC/Community objectives expressed to date, progress made, and work to be done.
Updated December 2017**

Several years ago, the Resource Opportunities Centre held community conversations to discuss where we should be focusing our efforts. This chart gives an update on our progress.

What we heard 2013/2014	What we've completed/initiated	Work to be Done
<p>Children's Programming - (<i>"All age groups, family activities, arts"</i>)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanded Before & After School and Preschool – serving more than 120 kids daily during school year • Partnered with local artists to create Shorelines Project (funded by grant); website re: project in progress • Received skating rink funding and have the rink; ready for Winter 2016 • Playground equipment installed ; safety fence installed • Summer camp experience offered to preschool/school-aged children up to age 12 • Making Tracks (Bike safety program) ages 7-12 • #OlympicDay at PRCC – for junior high-aged kids, competitive and demonstration sports, celebrating local Olympians (ParticipACTION grant helped to fund) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More playground equipment for younger children and older youth/teens planned this year •
<p>Food - (<i>"Healthy food availability, Farmer's Market, gardens"</i>)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Received a grant through the "Thrive" program (NS Gov) and added a consignment fridge, where we can sell prepared, healthy foods and snacks in single portions for the community to purchase. Improved vending machine offering (ongoing). • Creation of Healthy Eating Guidelines for PRCC events and consignment offerings • Weekly CSA dropoff with TapRoot Farms • Started community garden 2015 with HRM and Ecology Action Centre; ongoing • Monthly "Friday Feast" (\$7 suggested donation or pay-what-you-can) and Seniors "Lunch & Learn" (grown to over 30 people) every other Thursday 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actively looking for renters for consignment fridge • Work underway for PRCC biweekly farmers market, Fall 2016 tentative launch • Explore other grant opportunities re: healthy eating/food security • Explore other rental opportunities for kitchen (underutilized)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kitchen and take-outs: Friday feast offers take-out option, and we now have very part-time cook on payroll to prepare food for FF and L&L • Breast feeding support program established with Community Health Grant 	
Volunteers - (<i>"Recruiting, mentoring, recognition, program credit"</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual "Volunteer Recognition Awards" event in Spring • Incentive: Regular volunteers receive gym membership (front desk, kitchen volunteers; those with recurring volunteer roles). • Volunteers receive same training as staff (e.g. Front desk); screening • increased involvement of volunteers to help make our meals, community garden, volunteer recognition event happen • Occasionally partner with programs supporting persons with disability, so we can offer volunteer work experience opportunities • PRCC is a drop off space for the Prospect Road Food Share, and we collect food bank donations on an ongoing basis at front desk, and at our hosted events. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Time Bank" program would be great but needs coordination • Looking at opportunities for internship programs; work experience
All generations - (<i>"Mentoring youth, social and 'fun' gatherings, building relationships, 'talent/skill bank,' elder wisdom and skill, connecting, 'helping' systems, arts and culture, history"</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teen dances - huge success • Prospect Youth Council – small but dedicated youth leaders • Youth Leadership program offered during summer camps • Project "Lunch & Learn" (tech support, etc.) • First 'Pickle Ball' tournament 2015 – regular programming now • Regular washer toss for seniors • The Prospect Jammers, hosted at PRCC, provide music and fellowship for local musicians/music lovers. They often provide music for events we have here, individually or as a group. • Trail Leaders: partnered with Hike NS to provide training to local trail leaders coming in November; recruiting 2-3 community members to help develop outdoor strategic plan re: trail programming 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to engage high school (Received Democracy 250 grant this year, but low enrolment) • Multi-age programming that mixes generations • Develop trail programming once construction is complete
Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnership with HRM 'Bike Week' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring ideas with "Bayrides"

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partnership with Trails NS (active transportation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> participation in public info sessions for Active Transportation Fall 2016
<p>Healthy & Safe Community - <i>("Environment, arts, cleanliness, relationships, public land protection and access, trails, community clean-ups")</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supportive relationship with RCMP Part of trail group and discussions; applied for membership to Western Commons Advisory Committee Support the community clean-ups with social networking systems Seasonal running club Internet security workshop, Summer 2016 Community Health programming offered through Chebucto on-site Foot care clinic each month 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working with them to develop lockdown process Working with HRM trail planner to ensure information about trail development is shared in community and safety of PRCC users is top of mind when construction begins. Advocating turning lanes for PRCC
<p>Community Connectivity - <i>("New- and old-comers welcome, information (website, etc.) ROC umbrella/support (group insurance, etc.), supporting local businesses, showcase local products/ skills, strengthening inter-connections")</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member of the Prospect Road Business Association The Annual Shopping Fair & Small Business Saturday liaising with many community groups to ensure we are seen as a supportive partner (Prospect Road Business Association, Prospect Road Crafters, Prospect Peninsula Resident Association, Prospect Old Church Association, Prospect Road Elementary School SAC, Rec Association, Council of Community Organizations, 5 Bridges Trails, Seniors Groups, etc.) Provide support to seniors group annual summer BBQ (staff and Youth Leaders) Provide support to external community groups by connecting them to other groups to help them, share information with them, and provide infrastructure support (ie. Creation of the Business Association logo, working with both the Business Association & Crafters with social media literacy, promotion of other community groups events via prospectcommunities.com, FB, Twitter, flyers at our events PRCC was a polling station this year for federal and municipal elections The Prospective reaches 3500 homes. Two issues each year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop more frequent email newsletter with dates, info, for

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	<p>(Spring/Fall). Provides advertising opportunity, local news source</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ROC sits on community liaison committee for TB-Chebucto Wind Farms project; PRCC is 'point of information' for the community (minutes shared; project info kept on hand and will be housed on website when updated) 	<p>PRCC and other community groups</p>
<p>Community Centre - <i>("Broadening programming (arts, culture, meetings, social, etc.), 'hub' for the community, gathering place, equipment needs, facilities expansion, outdoor facilities, sports/ hockey/fields, program pricing")</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 - \$20,000 grant from PRRA for fitness centre • Developed 'events' brochure to market PRCC for events, conferences, meeting space • Some community groups meet here for free (by donation) • Free snow shoes, Nordic walking poles • Affordable drop-in program rates • "Hub" e.g. Friday Feast, Lunch & Learn • Two weekly GED classes have increased • Current programming is almost maxed out but we continue to pay close attention to trends, etc. Educational programming for all age groups/ one-on-one computer classes with seniors - happening bi-weekly through lunch & learn program • 5-Year PRCC anniversary held in 2015 • Route 333 Refugee Group held their community fundraiser here Spring 2016 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outdoor facilities (specifically multi-sport pad) still in HRM's Master Planning process, which we've provided input to • Further work needed regarding adult programming, and educational and arts programming • Could use a dedicated youth space • Increase outdoor programming opportunities
<p>Art/Culture</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shorelines Project (2015) • Acadian National Holiday (new this year) • Crafter's Fair (annual) • Prospect Jammers 	<p>Many wonderful ideas in the 2014 conversations; will require volunteer engagement to make some of these things move forward</p>
<p>Youth</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PRCC serves as a place teens can hang out, play basketball, use the computers, etc., after school every day. • Teen dances are huge (only for grades 6-9.) • Partnering with Junior Achievement to put together an afterschool program Fall 2016 for junior high ages • Applied for After the Bell grant for a program for girls/outdoor activities Sept 2016. 	<p>Much opportunity and need here as well . Some dedicated 'youth champions' would be helpful.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engaging student government leadership Halifax West for participation in Candidates Debate October 2, 2016• Youth musicians hosted event here early September to showcase local bands.	