



# COMMUNITY CONNECT NEWSLETTER

**September 2023**

West Island Community Sector:

**Rooted in Unity,  
Empowering Community**

Welcome to the September edition of Community Connect. Our goal for this newsletter is to create a space to share news of interest to community group teams. We welcome your feedback! Click [here](#) to share your thoughts.

## FUNDRAISERS

### September 15 Community Breakfast

Join **West Island Community Shares** for their annual community breakfast and network with community partners. Click [here](#) for the event details.

### September 16 Black Excellence Gala

Dress in your best black tie formal wear and join **The West Island Black Community Association** for their annual Black Excellence Gala! Buy your tickets [here](#).

### September 18 Charity Golf Classic

Join **WIAIH** for their annual Richard-Held Charity Golf Classic. [Register](#) as a golfer, sponsor or event to simply attend the post tournament celebration!

### September 23 Course for Compassion

Join the **Teresa Dellar Palliative Care Residence** for their annual Course for Compassion! Register or donate [here](#).

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fundraisers!

## EVENTS

### September 14 & 28 Director Meet-Ups

An online space for directors of community organizations to meet, chat, ask a question or share an idea. Hosted by the **CRC**. [Join us when you can!](#)

### September 15-17 Carousel Kids Bereavement Camp

**NOVA West Island's** Carousel Kids Bereavement Camp is a compassionate haven designed to guide young hearts through the intricate landscape of grief. Click [here](#) for more information on the weekend retreat.

### September 16 Welcome Back Event

The **West Island Women's Centre** invites new and returning members and their families for a free lunch and fun activities! Email [events@wiwc.ca](mailto:events@wiwc.ca) for more information.

### September 27 WICS Annual General Meeting

**West Island Community Shares** invites you to their virtual annual general meeting at 5pm. More information on how to register is coming soon!

### September-October Solidarity Markets

Visit **Corbeille de Pain** and get your fresh, local vegetables in Pointe-Claire at the Neighborhood Market every Wednesday and at the Gerry-Robertson Community Centre every Thursday. Find the complete schedule [here](#).

### Community Kitchens

**Corbeille de Pain** has new dates for their Community Kitchens. Almost every Friday from 10:00AM to 1:00PM, join others from your community as you cook and eat together. To register please email [cuisines@corbeilledepain.com](mailto:cuisines@corbeilledepain.com) or call (514)894-5850. Find the complete schedule [here](#).

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## TRAININGS

**September 7**

**Advocacy for those affected by Dementia**

**Alzheimer Groupe Inc** presents Amy Fisher, as she teaches the techniques of effective complaining to successfully advocate for you or on behalf of someone else. Click [here](#) to learn more.

**September 21**

**Strategic Planning with your Organization: The why, the what and the how**

Join **CharityVillage** as they discuss the components of a strategic plan, some tips for facilitating the process and a roadmap of where to begin. Register [here](#).

## JOB POSTINGS

**Coordinator- Information and Referral Services**  
West Island Community Resource Centre

**Coordinator -Teen Zones**  
West Island YMCA

**Social and Socio-Professional Worker**  
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**Sous-Chef**  
l'Équipe Entreprise

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l'Équipe Entreprise

**Home Support Worker**  
Omega Community Resources

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## VOLUNTEERISM

- The **Thrift Shops for NOVA** are actively recruiting volunteers! For more information, contact them directly at 514-694-8417
- Volunteer with **Corbeille de Pain** to help out in one of their programs! If you are interested, please fill out the [volunteer application form](#).

## PROGRAMMING NEWS

- **The West-Island Youth Symphony Orchestra** has openings for talented, young musicians. There are currently open spots for strings, bassoons, and brass instruments. Visit their [website](#) or contact [auditions@osjwi.qc.ca](mailto:auditions@osjwi.qc.ca) for more information.
- Check out the new classes this fall at **The West Island Women's Centre**. So many options - from low-cost fitness classes to free language lessons, support groups and many more! Classes begin September 11th. See the full schedule [here](#).
- **L'Équipe Entreprise** is currently seeking participants for their social integration program, aiming to provide employment opportunities for individuals dealing with mental illness and psychosocial difficulties in a supportive and empowering environment. Call 514 636-1081 or email [info@equipeentreprise.org](mailto:info@equipeentreprise.org) for more information or to register.
- **The West Island CALACS** has launched two new programs: Program Monarque and the With Open Arms Project. Visit their [website](#) to learn more about what they offer.

## NEXT EDITION

**September 12th, 2023**

**Deadline to submit content for the October 2023 Newsletter**

Does your organization have: news to share? An event, fundraiser, or training of interest to community group team members? A new program or milestone to celebrate? Send your information to [news@crcinfo.ca](mailto:news@crcinfo.ca)

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