COHABITAT WAKEFIELD

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ACTIVITY REPORT - 2017-2018

- Choice of the immediate area of the village of Wakefield to locate our co-operative housing project
- Regular meetings of founding members every 3 weeks and 7 board meetings
- Establishment of a "Google Group" and creation of a Facebook page
- Development of the Charter of Cohabitat Wakefield Vision, Mission, Values and Principles
- Selection of project siting criteria and search for suitable land
- Networking and meetings with representatives of the following organisations: le Centre de Développement de l'Outaouais (CDROL), la Fédération intercoopérative de l'Outaouais et de Laurentides (FIHAB), Loge-Action Outaouais, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC), la Table de Développement social des Collines de l'Outaouais (TDSCO), le Regroupement des OSBL d'habitation et d'hébergement avec support communautaire en Outaouais (ROHSCO), and Centretown Affordable Housing Development Corporation Ottawa (CAHDCO)
- Membership with: CDROL, FIHAB et TDSCO
- Incorporation and registration of the coop in the Registre des entreprises du Québec with CDROL
- Opening of a bank account at the Caisse d'Entraide de Solidarité de Desjardins
- Drafting of a membership process for support members
- Exploration of social housing opportunity in accordance with CMHC's New Affordable Housing Development initiatives
- Collaboration with Green Architecture students at Algonquin College for site analysis and design
- Preliminary meeting with the mayor of La Pêche, Guillaume Lamoureux and the director of urban planning, Marcel Marchildon to identify the available sites for the project
- Training:
 - Familiarisation and practice of non-violent communication and conflict resolution
 - Participation in FIHAB training workshops
 - One-day "Compassion in Action Leveraging Connections" workshop facilitated by certified Executive Coach Suzanne Gagnon of Connection Matters