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There's Madness to this Method

ANC Supports Call for Improvements in Horizontal Management

The recently released report of the Auditor General included a review of federal government efforts in the area of horizontal management. It concluded that the government, especially central agencies such as Treasury Board, needed to step up their efforts to guide and support such initiatives.

While Action for Neighbourhood Change (ANC) was not discussed in the report, it offers a positive example of how multiple federal government departments and non-government partners can work together to tackle complex issues – albeit often swimming against the stream.

In a commentary on the Auditor General's findings, "There's Madness to this Method," the Caledon Institute's Sherri Torjman points to ANC as an indication of horizontal collaboration in action. Sherri reiterates the Auditor General's call for improvements to horizontal management within the federal government that will enable these initiatives to more easily achieve their full potential.



[Read the Caledon Institute commentary!](#)

Related Links

- [Managing Horizontal Initiatives – Read this section of the Auditor General's report.](#)
- ["Initiatives with many players need better leadership and sustained attention" \(News Release\)](#)

Resources

Untapped Markets & Win-Win Stories - Win-Win Partners is an outgrowth of the Ford Foundation Corporate Involvement Initiative, and focused on sharing new and innovative win-win stories of companies and organizations achieving competitive advantage through community investment. Be sure to check out the "Untapped Markets" section of their website [here](#).

Communitybuilders.nsw - The New South Wales Government's community builders website aims to help local communities share ideas on how to enhance and strengthen their community. Check out the website [here](#).

ANC Updates – What's New

Policy Dialogue Strikes Two Working Groups

During the ANC Policy Forum held in October, participants identified a number of key issues to help advance government/community collaboration for neighbourhood renewal.

As a follow-up to the discussions at the ANC Policy Forum, working groups have been established to address two priority issues. One group will prepare a neighbourhood revitalization logic model to help guide the work of all partners in these initiatives. A second group will prepare a discussion paper on the role of community capacity building in neighbourhood revitalization and prepare recommendations on necessary investments in this area. The working groups will present the results of their work to the full Policy Dialogue group in February and finalize their reports in March.

Learn more about the Policy Forum [here!](#)

Thunder Bay Celebrates Past, Present and Future Success

Celebrating Our Successes: Past, Present and Future is a presentation developed by ANC Thunder Bay to celebrate the successes of ANC in the Simpson-Ogden neighbourhood to date, and sets the stage for a visioning process in early January.

Access the presentation and learn more about ANC Thunder Bay [here!](#)

Regina talks housing

ANC Regina hosts a community meeting to discuss the impact of recent housing initiatives in North Central. Learn more about Regina [here](#) and be sure to check out the Policy Research Initiative's New Approaches for Addressing Poverty and Exclusion Synthesis report: [Housing Policy and Practice in the Context of Poverty and Exclusion](#).

Scarborough Village Organizes

ANC Scarborough Village hosted a Neighbourhood Organizing meeting on November 23. Based on feedback from previous community forums, people expressed desire for a neighbourhood group to act as organizing body for the community. This was the first meeting to begin discussions of the issues people in Scarborough Village want to take action on and how the organizing group should be structured. Learn more about Scarborough Village [here!](#)