

McMaster University Office of Community Engagement
Dialogue Pillar | Priorities¹

This document provides a summary of action-oriented dialogue priorities for the Office of Community Engagement (OCE). These priorities were identified through consultations with community and campus partners as part of the development of a 5-year strategic plan for community engagement.

- **Facilitating partnership opportunities on a regular basis** and tracking any new partnerships, projects, or other relevant outcomes
- **Plan and implement three (3) theme group dialogues** for the following themes:
 - Poverty & Inclusion
 - Healthy Spaces & Communities
 - Open Access & Knowledge Sharing
- **Contributing the organization and implementation of Change Camp Hamilton** while also having discussions at McMaster about how to integrate Change Camp into a more coordinated campus-wide approach to community-engaged education.
- **Continue to facilitate conversations and priorities of the Neighbourhood Campus Network, including visits to each Neighbourhood Hub** to explore how best to connect the neighbourhoods with McMaster partners.
- **Pursue larger dialogue opportunity through SSHRC Connections Grant** in partnership with Evergreen CityWorks
- **Respond to and track other dialogues as they arise**
- **Partner on a dialogue about principles for community engagement** as they apply to both local and global engagement
- **Develop a formal outreach strategy to encourage awareness of dialogues and other events**
- **Align work of the Office of Community Engagement with other major dialogues that are connecting with the community** (e.g. Research Showcase, Research in the City).

The Office of Community Engagement will pursue these priorities by liaising with various campus units and community partners.

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