

# Explore POTENTIAL

The **Community Education Partnership Centre (CEPC)** supports the advancement of **social entrepreneurship** through:

- Promotion of innovative and transformative social change processes in our local communities
- Collaborative partnerships
- Active learning opportunities
- Scholarly research

# COMMUNITY EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP CENTRE (CEPC) at Georgian College's Orillia Campus

## A CENTRE OF OPPORTUNITY:

Georgian College's CEPC works in partnership with community leaders to recognize and identify local social issues and using entrepreneurial principles, creates sustainable solutions that result in social change.

The CEPC offers students, faculty and community agencies a suite of applied learning options.

Future endeavours offer enriched mentorship and educational support for promising social entrepreneurs and turn dreams and ideas about social change into a functioning reality.



## STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

**Suite of Experiential Learning Opportunities:** The CEPC works in partnership with community leaders to recognize and identify local social issues. Using entrepreneurial principles and a suite of experiential learning opportunities, the CEPC contributes to sustainable solutions that result in social change. Experiential learning opportunities include Community Service Learning (CSL) and the Community Projects Initiative (CPI).

**Social Entrepreneurship:** The CEPC supports the advancement of social entrepreneurship by promoting innovative and transformative social change processes in our local communities through community projects, partnership and capacity-building efforts within the nonprofit sector.

**Curriculum Integration and Continuous Learning Opportunities:** The CEPC is a leader in the delivery of social entrepreneurial education and training through the offering of continuous learning opportunities and integration of social entrepreneurial learning outcomes in curriculum.

**Community-Based Research:** The CEPC and faculty initiate and support collaborative community-based research in Simcoe County that increases the community's capacity to promote social change.

## SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS:

- Camp Couchiching
- Hospice Orillia
- Kids Help Phone
- Simcoe County Alliance to End Homelessness
- Simcoe County Suicide Awareness Council
- The YMCA Youth Quest Program

## WELCOMING NEW PARTNERS:

- AIDS Committee of Simcoe County
- Information Orillia
- Barrie Women and Children's Shelter
- Orillia Youth Centre
- Simcoe Community Services
- Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit

## COMMUNITY IMPACT AREAS:

The social entrepreneurial activity that occurs within the CEPC provides Georgian College with an incredible opportunity to influence social change and promote community impact. In efforts to measure and evaluate Georgian College's community impact, the CEPC has adopted four Priority Community Impact Areas. This will enable the center to strategically partner with organizations and events that will help the college contribute to lasting changes in social conditions in Simcoe County.



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