

Le Centre Culturel Port La Joie
125, rue Sydney, Charlottetown, P.-É.

Grief
presented on behalf of
Le Centre Culturel Port La Joie
Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island.
to Honorable Pat Binns, Minister
in charge of Community and Cultural
affairs.

Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island
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Le Centre Culturel Port La Joie

established in 1972

is located on the 2nd floor

at 125 Sydney St. Charlottetown

Prince Edward Island

Executive Members of
Le Centre Culturel Poth La Joie.

President : Mrs Francis Blanchard

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The aims and goals of "Le Centre Culturel Park La Jolie" are:

1. To enable francophones to meet, socialize and exchange ideas in their mother tongue.
2. To encourage co-operation between its members.
3. To promote the proper usage of the French language - (le bon parler français)
4. To contribute to the continuation of the French culture.

Le Centre Culturel Park La Jolie now has a membership of 125 which includes single and family memberships.

The purpose of this brief is to focus the attention of Government on the existence of "Le Centre Culturel Port La Joie" and its aims and objectives.

1. History reminds us that our Country, Canada, was founded by two linguistic groups, namely the English and the French, each having a distinct culture. Also that Canada presently recognizes the coexistence of two official languages - French and English in our Nation.
2. The Acadians have been on Prince Edward Island for more than 200 years.
3. Also a number of Francophone families are relocating here with the Department of Veterans' Affairs from Ottawa: we therefore anticipate that "Le Centre Culturel Port La Joie" will serve as the focal point for the Francophone

community of Charlottetown.

4. We support wholeheartedly the endeavors of "La Société St. Thomas d'Aquin" in their search for their cultural development.

Enclosed you will find a copy of a brief history in French of "Le Centre Culturel Père Le Jolif".

Recommendations

A. Therefore we ask that the Provincial Government recognize le "Centre Culturel Poth La Jolie" as a distinctive, linguistic and cultural group that needs to express its identity in a Provincial cultural program.

B. The former Prince Edward Island Government under Mr Alex Campbell had subscribed a grant in the sum of \$3000.⁰⁰ towards the Centre's program. To date only \$1000.⁰⁰ have been received.

The Centre requests that Government give consideration to an annual grant towards its programs.