



# Rideau Hub Co-op

*A collective of champions serving the Rideau community*

## Contextual Background

Rideau Hub is a community of NGO's currently residing at Rideau High School, the high school was decommissioned in 2017 by the Ottawa Carleton District School Board. Some of the services provided are childcare, a food bank, immigration community resources, after school programs, community outreach for isolated elders, and various indigenous cultural groups to name a few.

These groups and organizations provide a lot of essential community and cultural services to the Rideau community. However, organizations tend to operate insular to one another.

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Establishing the Rideau Hub Co-op would provide these smaller organizations with the benefits of a larger body while still maintaining autonomy as independent groups. Having a co-op also helps centralize around a community as apposed to a physical structure allowing more resilience and flexibility of the independent organizations in future.

## The Poster

In the poster it highlights the Rideau Hub Co-op as a landmark for multi generations of the community to connect with the range of organizations. The deflection of the arrow represents the co-op as a facilitator for connection as apposed to an end. By having an over-arching body, it also improves distribution and coordination of resources such as financial or physical assets. For donors as well as residents, having a website and other platforms that describe member bodies helps people engage with the most appropriate or range of organizations of interest.

Within the co-op the posting of events becomes more accessible to other groups and co-hosting events becomes more practical with established relationships through the network.

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### Services

- Kagita Kikam
- One Hub
- Pirurviapik Child Care Centre
- Rideau-Rockliffe Centre
- Volunteer Ottawa

### Community

- Isaruit Inuit Arts
- Odawa Native Friendship Centre
- OrKidstra
- YOCISO
- Ottawa Family Cinema
- Youth Action Now

### Advocacy Groups

- Canadian Federation of University Women
- The Council on Aging of Ottawa
- Neil Squire
- North South Development Roots & Culture CAN
- Social Planning Council of Ottawa
- TeKnoWave