

Partnerships

One aspect of the Portage Learning and Literacy Center (PLLC) that I appreciate is the collaboration with local organizations. Organizations with different services have come together to support the integration of newcomers. It is rewarding to see how everyone works together for this common purpose. We have established great relationships with Business such Hi-Tec Industries, McDonalds Restaurant and Paramount Investment Corporation; and organizations such as: Portage Evangelical Church, Salvation Army, Portage La Prairie Community Revitalization Corporation (PCRC), Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), First Baptist church, Prairie Alliance church and other volunteers such as Blair Hordeski from PCI etc. Addressing newcomer's necessities such as housing, food, employment, transportation and furniture has allowed them to feel supported in their transition to their new homeland. This group effort makes people realize there is a community behind them and leads to a speedier, more successful integration.