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## Vaudreuil-Dorion resumes work on its Family Policy

**Vaudreuil-Dorion, May 14, 2020** – In honour of Quebec Family Week, the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion wishes to inform its citizens that it has resumed work on matters surrounding its Family Policy. The process was initiated in early 2020, but due to the current circumstances, the timeline had to be revised.

The steering committee, made up of elected officials, municipal employees, citizens and health, education and community professionals, were able to resume their discussions by adapting their approach. Along with the development of a Family Policy, the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion is working on obtaining accreditation as an Advancing Age-Friendly Municipality (MADA). With support from the Carrefour Action municipale et famille, the City has enlisted the services of Alambic, a firm specializing in codesign and citizen consultations.

In practical terms, the Family Policy will guide the City's actions in meeting the needs of the population. Similarly, it is hoped that organizations serving the territory will take ownership of this policy by tailoring their actions to the realities of the citizens of Vaudreuil-Dorion.

«The needs of families, at all levels, have become all the more relevant within the context of the pandemic we have been experiencing for several weeks now. Families are facing a wide variety of challenges: School and daycare closures, isolation, etc. The importance of seniors, and their needs, must also be part of our thinking, which makes MADA accreditation even more pertinent,» said Steering Committee Chair, City Councillor Diane Morin.

In the coming months, residents will be asked to comment on the priorities of families and seniors. We hope to be able to launch this new policy to coincide with next year's edition of Quebec Family Week.