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Quebec Waste Reduction Week The Réparothon is back in Vaudreuil-Dorion

Vaudreuil-Dorion, October 12, 2022 – The City of Vaudreuil-Dorion is taking advantage of Waste Reduction Week to hold an event to encourage the reuse, repair and recovery of objects. This event, called *Le Réparothon*, is free and will take place on Sunday, October 23rd, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., at the *Centre Multisports* located at 3093, *boulevard de la Gare*. Unlike the last edition, registration is not mandatory this year.

Several partners will be on hand to share their knowledge and know-how to help visitors repair a variety of objects, including:

- Aiguillage CL (knife sharpening – maximum of 3);
- Cercle des fermières (simple clothing repairs);
- Informa Tech (Tablet and mobile phone repairs);
- PC-Teck (computer troubleshooting);
- Tricentris (good recycling practices).

Informa Tech will strictly repair the iPhone brand of cell phones on site. Other brands will be repaired in-store and will need to be picked up a few days later. The iPhone 12 and later models will not be eligible for repair through the Restart Party.

The *Centre d'action bénévole L'Actuel* will host a quiz about donations and the services they provide. Citizens are invited to bring any broken books they might have since the Vaudreuil-Dorion Library will have a booth to provide repairs. With help from *Le Lab*, citizens will also have an opportunity to breathe new life into some old clothes thanks to digital printing. All they need to do is bring some clothing items or pieces of fabric along with the desired images on a USB stick. The City of Vaudreuil-Dorion's Environment Division will also have a booth on hand to collect used batteries, ink cartridges, small electronic devices, cork stoppers and pencils.

"The goal of such an event is to encourage people to repair a faulty device instead of replacing it, an action that is both ecological and economical to counter overconsumption," said Oriana Farina, Head of the Environment Division.

Lecture on how to be a model consumer

As part of the *Écodécouvertes* lecture series, Justin Laperrière, Project Manager – Waste Materials Management for *Ville en vert*, will give a lecture at 2 p.m. at the *Centre Multisports*, on how to be a good *consom'acteur*, or model consumer, which – as the French term implies, refers to someone who takes responsibility and is concerned with the environmental, social and economic impact of their purchases, consumption (use of the products and services purchased) and the waste that results. The *consom'acteur* turns every purchase into a political act, using the grocery cart as a voting method by choosing products and services that are sustainable.

Those interested in attending this lecture can register online at ville.vaudreuil-dorion.qc.ca.