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## ***Réparothon 2025: an opportunity to rethink consumption and reduce waste***

**Vaudreuil-Dorion, October 14, 2025** - To highlight the *Semaine québécoise de réduction des déchets*, the *Ville de Vaudreuil-Dorion* is organizing an event to encourage more responsible consumption. The sixth edition of the *Réparothon*, a free event, will take place on Saturday, October 25, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the *Opticentre St-Jean-Baptiste*, located at 145 Harwood Boulevard.

Among this year's new features, the *Centre de recherche et d'éducation à l'environnement régional (CRÉER)* will be on site to collect expired baby car seats. The organization will also offer a dismantling demonstration to explain the recycling process for these seats. In addition, *Vélo Québec* will host a kiosk offering basic bike tune-ups and answering participants' questions about everyday cycling. Each intervention will take approximately 15 minutes per bicycle.

Visitors will also get to create eco-friendly household products, such as laundry detergent and dishwasher powder, at the Zero Waste Project kiosk. Participants are encouraged to bring their own reusable containers. The activity will continue while supplies last.

Several partners will be present to share their expertise and assist visitors in repairing a variety of items:

- Aiguillage CL (knife sharpening – maximum of three per person)
- Centre d'action bénévole L'Actuel (clothing and book donation and exchange)
- Cercle des fermières (textile repair)
- Centre de recherche et d'éducation à l'environnement régional
- MRC de Vaudreuil-Soulanges (education on waste sorting and ecocentre network)
- PC-Teck (computer problem-solving)
- Scout 19<sup>e</sup> Vaudreuil-Dorion (jewelry and small object repair – soldering, etc.)
- Vélo Québec
- Zero Waste Project

The *Ville de Vaudreuil-Dorion* will also be represented at the event. The *Division environnement* will host a kiosk to showcase the City's various environmental services and raise awareness about waste management. In addition, visitors will be able to have damaged books repaired at the municipal library kiosk. The Lab will offer a creative way to give old clothing a second life through digital printing. To participate, visitors must bring clothing or fabric pieces, along with their digital images saved on a USB key.

The *Réparathon* is also an opportunity to dispose of certain items that are not accepted in regular garbage or recycling bins, such as: light bulbs, corks, aerosol cans, small electronic devices, and used batteries.

#### **About the *Semaine québécoise de réduction des déchets***

The *Semaine québécoise de réduction des déchets* is a national event organized by *Zéro déchet Québec*. Its goal is to raise awareness and encourage every citizen to reduce waste and consume more responsibly.