

Montréal, standing firm against racism and discrimination



The City unequivocally rejects all forms of racism and discrimination.

The City has taken up the fight over the last three decades:

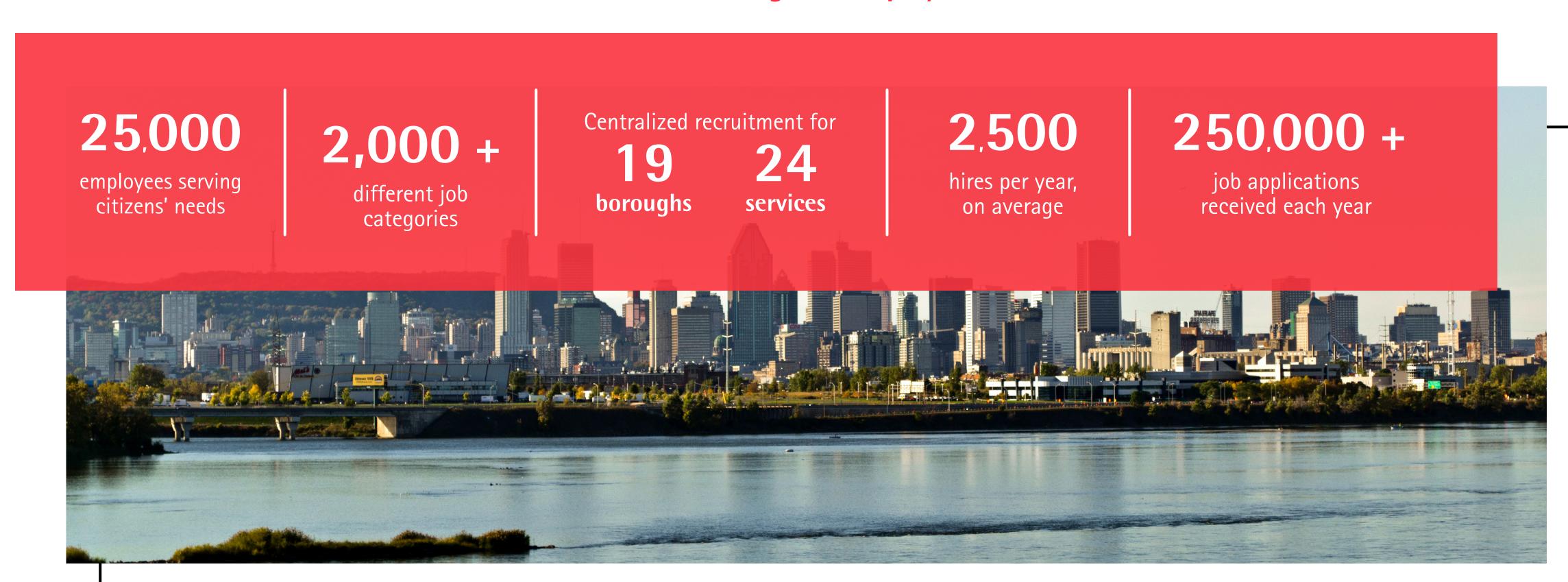
Taking more and more action to ease integration, battle discrimination, and be a model of diversity.

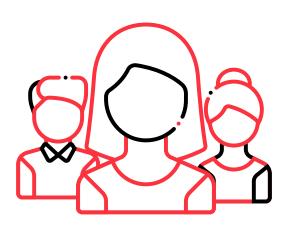
This consultation is an opportunity to hold discussions that will help the City improve its practices, and identify the obstacles that bar the way to the greater inclusion of all Montrealers.



## The City of Montréal as an employer

The City is working with all of the actors in Montréal to meet current challenges in employment





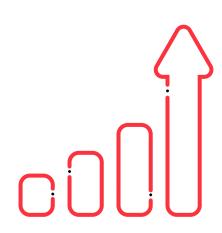
# When it comes to inclusiveness and diversity,

The City of Montréal has taken on a mission to contribute to **respect for diversity**, to **social inclusion**, and to the **integration** of newcomers. It acts to promote **harmonious cohabitation** throughout Montréal, including at the neighbourhood level.



In working to integrate newcomers to Montréal, the City collaborates with community groups, the business sector, and institutional partners.





# When it comes to economic development,

The City of Montréal aims to be a leader in the sectors of activity of the future and a touchstone in terms of sustainable and inclusive economic development, acting in tandem with key stakeholders. Most notably, the objectives are:

- To stimulate both private and collective entrepreneurship, and promote the development of Montréal businesses run by entrepreneurs representing the city's diversity
- Develop the Metropolis's human capital by drawing on the strengths of its network of institutions of higher learning, and on the potential of a qualified workforce of individuals representing the city's diversity
- Support non-profit organizations and major events that aim to facilitate the socioeconomic integration of entrepreneurs, or future entrepreneurs, representing the city's diversity
- Promote the attraction and retention of foreign students via the network of incubators in our universities and by increasing awareness of entrepreneurship





# When it comes to human resources,

The City of Montréal is determined to be an inclusive employer, drawing on a diversified workforce that reflects its population.

## In order to do so, our Human Resources service:

- Manages the City's employment equity plan,
   and its action plan for diversity in employment
- Establishes performance indicators and publishes results for those indicators
  - Implements structured staffing processes
  - Offers professional internships with mentors
  - Carries out targeted recruitment activities
  - Trains recruiters and employees on diversity and inclusiveness
- Promotes dialogue and partnership with experts in intercultural dynamics



## Inclusiveness and diversity: a priority

To instill a culture of enhancement of diversity and inclusiveness, in order to contribute to a more open and respectful society

### Managers' accountability:

Organizational targets are applied as objectives in the program that governs the performance of the City's managers.

This is a concrete way of contributing to making Montréal's workforce as diversified as the city's population.



## Inclusiveness and diversity: a priority

### **Key indicators and results**

Hiring rates for the 5 target groups by employment category and by unit (gender data) Representation levels for the target groups by employment categories (gender data) Rates of promotion and nomination for the target groups, either permanent or temporary

Rates of application among the target groups for City jobs posted

Success rates for the target groups at particular stages of the recruitment process, and on specified tests

Under-representation of the target groups by employment category



## Selected indicators

### Workforce distribution as of December 31, 2018

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Women	$\rightarrow$	9 911	$\rightarrow$	38,7 %
Men	$\rightarrow$	15 727	$\cdot$	<b>61,3</b> %
Total	$\rightarrow$	25 638	$\cdot$	100 %
Indigenous peoples	$\rightarrow$	84	$\rightarrow$	0,3 %
Visible minorities	$\rightarrow$	3 538	$\cdot$	13,8 %
Ethnic minorities	$\rightarrow$	1 154	$\rightarrow$	<b>6,1</b> %



## Selected indicators

### An evolving workforce (visible and ethnic minorities)

Categories with 500+ employees	2013	2013		
White collar	$\rightarrow$	<b>24,1</b> %	$\rightarrow$	31,4 %
Blue collar	$\rightarrow$	14,6 %	$\rightarrow$	17,3 %
Police force: officers, sergeants, lieutenants	$\rightarrow$	10,8 %	$\rightarrow$	11,7 %
Firefighters	$\rightarrow$	<b>2,4</b> %	$\rightarrow$	3,0 %
General professional categories	$\rightarrow$	19,2 %	$\rightarrow$	21,1 %
Administrative senior management	$\rightarrow$	8,9 %	$\rightarrow$	12,8 %
School crossing guards	$\rightarrow$	13,9 %	$\rightarrow$	13,9 %
Professionals in the sciences	$\rightarrow$	30,1 %	$\rightarrow$	38,8 %

## Selected indicators

### Hiring overview (visible and ethnic minorities)

		2017		2018
City of Montréal overall	$\rightarrow$	28 %	$\rightarrow$	33,3 %
White collar	$\rightarrow$	<b>36,9</b> %	$\rightarrow$	40,6 %
Blue collar	$\rightarrow$	24,8 %	$\rightarrow$	30,4 %
General professional categories	$\rightarrow$	19,6 %	$\rightarrow$	28,4 %
Managers	$\rightarrow$	9,5 %	$\rightarrow$	16 %
Professionals in the sciences	$\rightarrow$	43,4 %	$\rightarrow$	<b>50</b> %









### An equitable and impartial staffing process

1. Standardized competency profiles for each job

# 2. Transparency in job postings, with targeted and varied means of publicizing them:

- All postings published on the Careers site (no hidden job market)
- All postings also placed on social media and on specialized sites (Emploi-Québec, Québec municipal, etc.)
- The City offers a subscription to its job offers feed to organizations specializing in employability
- Facebook page: "diversité dans la ville"

## 3. Pre-screening based on objective criteria

- Criteria for evaluating CVs are identified in our job postings; and CV analysis is carried out in an objective fashion, considering the requirements and the profile being sought
- Experience acquired abroad is taken into account
  - Degrees obtained abroad are accepted with the presentation of a comparative evaluation of studies (MIDI)
  - Priority given to targeted groups in the jobs in which they are under-represented



## An equitable and impartial staffing process

## 4. Evaluation processes that are structured and free of bias

- Structured interview questionnaires
- Questions that touch on behaviour and expertise are set in advance
- Predetermine in-depth questions (STAR model)
- Assessing answers based on pre-established behavioural models
  - Predetermined markers for success
- Assessment by committees so as to ensure impartiality
  - Training for recruiters on assessment methods, and on bias

5. Hiring and nomination rules established in the Staffing Process Policy and in collective agreements

6. Monitoring and analysis of results to allow for adjustments to testing based on results obtained by the target groups.



### Self-identification



The City of Montréal is governed by an Act respecting equal access to employment in public bodies.

5 groups are covered by the Act:

Women

### Indigenous peoples

That is, Canadian Indians, Inuits and Métis.

### Visible minorities

That is, individuals other than indigenous peoples who are not of white race or colour.

### **Ethic minorities**

That is, individuals, other than indigenous peoples, and individuals who are from a visible minority and whose mother tongue is neither French nor English.

Handicapped persons

Self-identification is voluntary. It is up to an employee or a candidate to read the definitions of groups and identify themselves when applying.

Self-identification allows the City to give priority to under-represented groups.



## Equal access to employment • Hiring goals



Based on a recommendation by the Commission for human rights and the rights of youth,

The City applies a preferential appointment rate for targeted groups when they are under-represented in a given hiring category.

This measure will be kept in place as long as under-representation exists.



This is not a quota system.



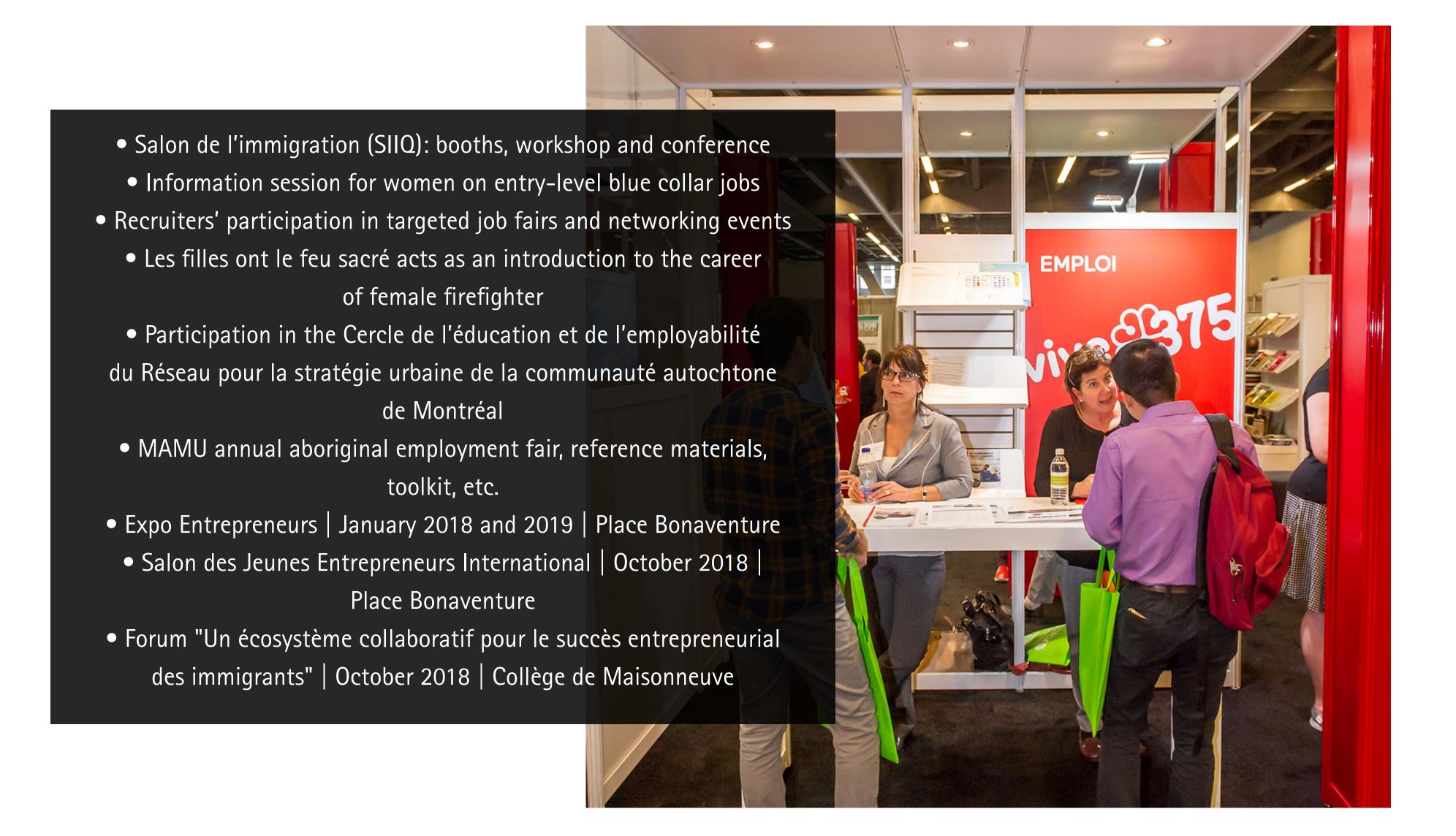
## Some best practices

### **Professional internships with mentors**





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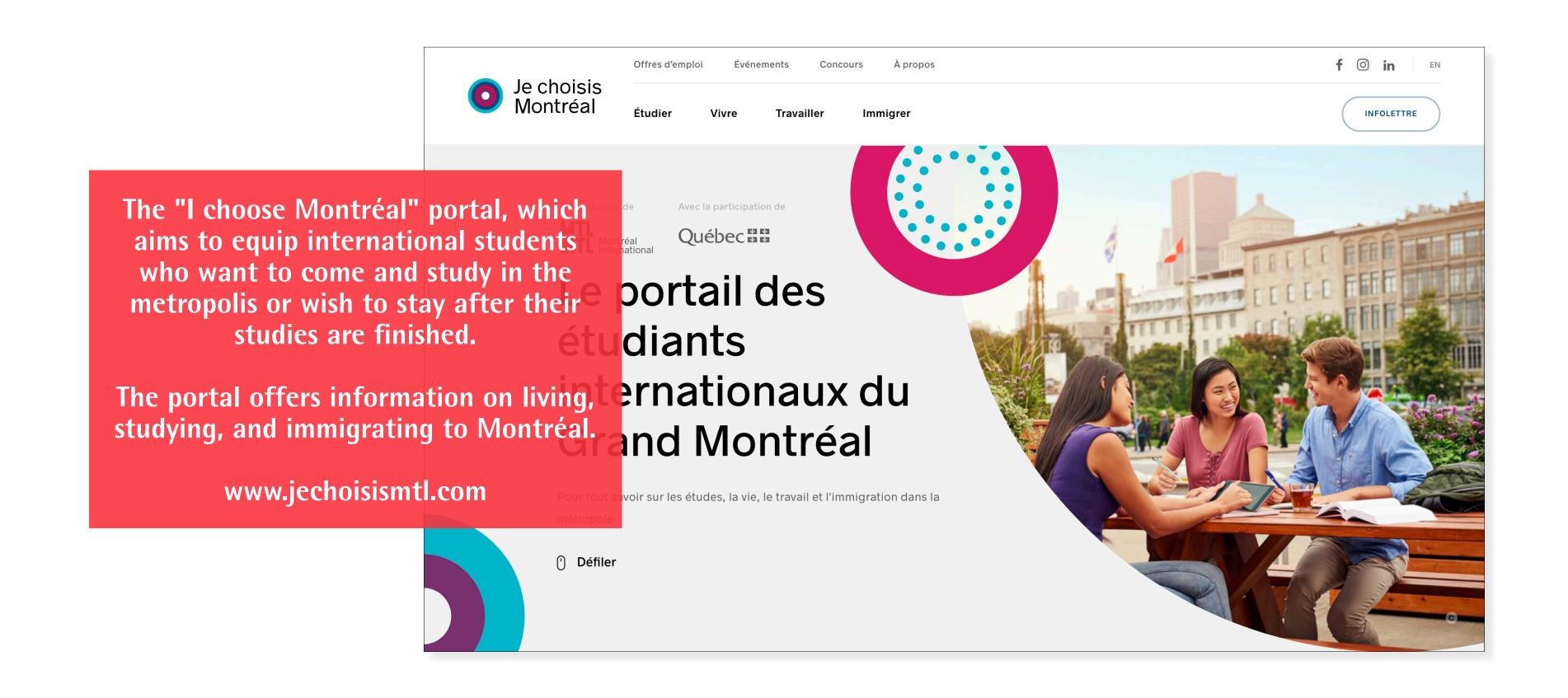
### Train employees on diversity and inclusiveness

# A new mode of diversity and inclusiveness training is gradually being implemented:

- Online training in the form of serious games will be offered in 2019 as part of the process of reconcilation with indigenous peoples.
  - The development of a module on unconscious biases started in May.
- Employee training on intercultural communication in the workplace, aiming to equip City employees with a better awareness of the ethnocultural reality of Montréal's population

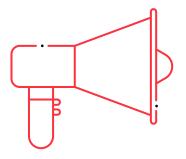


## Internationally-oriented initiatives





## Initiatives that will stimulate talent development

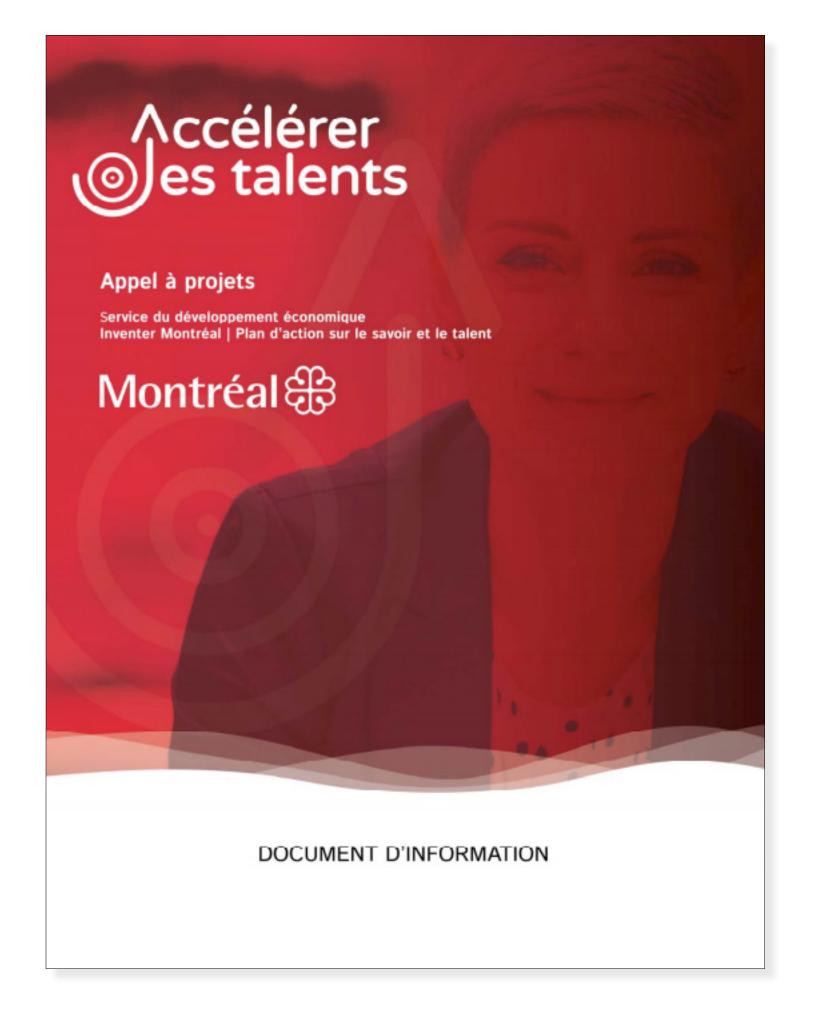


### Goals of the call for project proposals

- Meet the challenges and needs of Montréal businesses in recruiting, integrating and developing talent and gaining access to the skillsets of the future
- Facilitate the integration of culturally diverse, and differently-gendered, populations into the workforce.
- Collaborative ecosystems made up of organizations and businesses are invited to submit proposals.

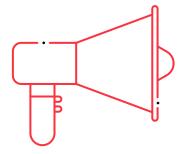
Budget: 3,6 M\$ | 2019-2022

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## Initiatives that will stimulate talent development



### Goals of the call for project proposals

- Support the creation, growth and next generation of business in Montréal
- Stimulate entrepreneurship among priority groups: culturally diverse populations, indigenous communities, women and youth.

Target audience : Montréal non-profit entities Budget : 2 M\$ | 2018-2022

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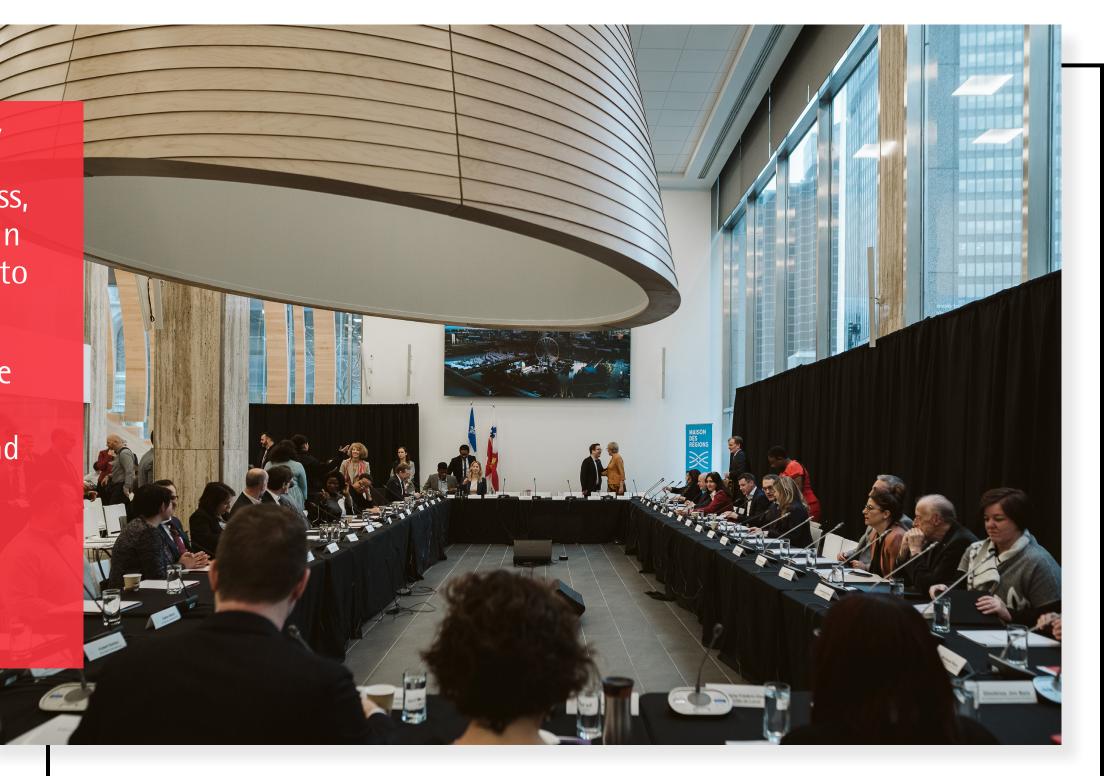
## Initiatives that will minimize impediments to the hiring of newcomers in Montréal organizations

The City of Montréal is working proactively to integrate newcomers, especially with regard to their employment rate, lower than that of non-immigrants

#### Montréal inclusive au travail Strategy

A wide-ranging strategy to build awareness, aiming to boost Montréal's performance in integrating newcomers and immigrants into professional contexts

- → On February 18, 2019, a consultative event bringing together more than 60 economic leaders mobilized key players and laid the groundwork for the Strategy
  - → The Strategy will be launched on June 10,2019.





## Stratégie Montréal inclusive au travail

#### **Awareness**

Structual factors, notably impediments of a subjective nature, are holding back the professional integration of newcomers

#### **Current situation**

The unemployment rate among newcomers to the greater Montréal area is far higher than that of the general population (2018: 11.9% VS 5.3%), which places Montréal 15th among North American cities for professional integration

#### **Policy levers**

- Heightening public awareness on the issue of integration
  - Mobilizing major employers and obtaining their commitment to act
  - Deployment of prototype tools

#### Engagement

Improving the situation requires a collective consciousness-raising on this issue, leading to a desire to effect change

#### **Transitional situation**

Professional integration of newcomers becomes a top societal priority, and major private and public employers commit to mobilizing their resources and acting to improve the situation

**Policy levers** 

- Activating leaders of major businesses and organizations so as to make them agents of change
- Major businesses requiring their suppliers to act

Scaling up of tools

### **Desired** outcome

The unemployment rate among newcomers in greater Montréal is equal to that among natives in career transition, thus placing Montréal among the continent's top 10 cities for professional integration

Structural change

The collective consciousness-raising has

to translate into action by individuals in

positions of power

### **Key participants**



- The City of Montréal, MIDI, and other institutional partners
  - A few major employers

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- Leading organizations in civil society
  - Most major businesses
  - Media and influencers

Phase 3

- Civil society
- The major small and medium-sized businesses
  - Public opinion

Favourable external factors

- Economic context
- Shortage of qualified employees

Negative external factors

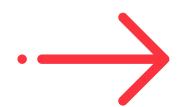
- Regulatory impediments
- Tensions related to Bill 21

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## Initiatives that will minimize impediments to the hiring of newcomers in Montréal organizations

### The Intégration-travail-formation (PITF) program

Program that aims to support employers and other key actors as they try out innovative staffing processes, better suited to immigrants and newcomers.



Also aims to link major Montréal employers with cohorts of 12 to 15 qualified immigrants who benefit from a workplace experience lasting anywhere from 30 to 52 weeks, along with a well thought-out integration plan.

Highlights

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Major employers

60

**Newcomers** 

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Human resource practices modified to make them more inclusive, for example the abolition of psychometric tests that might be discriminatory

## Out of 35 subsidized positions

26 participants continued their employment with the same employer

### **Employment retention** rate of 80%

Overall for subsidized positions



## Towards a dynamic partnership

Promoting dialogue and partnerships with experts in cross-cultural issues



8 meetings since 2017

Organized a speed interviewing activity during the 2019 SACR (Semaine d'actions contre le racisme) bringing together recruiters and counsellors

127 participants, 11 City recruiters and 15 employment counsellors



## Towards a dynamic partnership

### **Partnership agreements**

## The PME MTL network | Financing and coaching entrepreneurs

- 6 service hubs and nearly 120 experts dedicated to coaching Montréal entrepreneurs www.pmemtl.com
- Information sessions to support entrepreneurs in their efforts, services that help optimize business plans, help with financial structuring, support for business development, advice on managing human resources and help with the search for financing.
- Loans and subsidies to support the financing of businesses that are launching or growing, so as to ensure that jobs stay within Montréal.
- An employment placement service offered to Montréal job seekers

### L'École des Entrepreneurs du Québec à Montréal | Parcours Immigraffaires

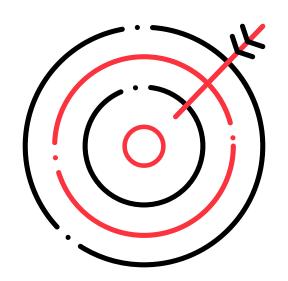
• 1,000 immigrants introduced to entrepreneurship and 180 immigrant entrepreneurs trained - 2018-2019 www.eequebec.com/parcours/immigraffaires

Réseau M de la Fondation de l'Entrepreneurship Mentoring for entrepreneurs from cultural diversity and immigrants

> 4 mentoring cohorts established for Diversity entrepreneurs – 2018–2019 www.reseaum.com



## Perspectives • Upcoming Action



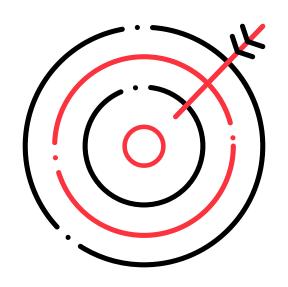
A new interactive communications tool to facilitate access to resources in the entrepreneurial ecosystem for immigrant entrepreneurs

Financial and technical support for events and organizations dedicated to the socio-economic integration of entrepreneurs from culturally diverse backgrounds

Enhanced services and increased visibility for Indigenous and Inuit entrepreneurs; New partnerships with indigenous groups developing services culturally tailored to Montréal entrepreneurs from Indigenous and Inuit backgrounds.



## Perspectives • Upcoming Action



Improved indicators for following and coaching entrepreneurs from culturally diverse backgrounds with the PME MTL networks; Provide PME MTL with indicators that will help measure the impact of funding and services for entrepreneurs from diverse backgrounds (number of entrepreneurs attending training sessions, number of Diversity entrepreneurs supported financially, etc.)

Develop a program that aims to improve the retention of international students through integration in the cultural, economic and entrepreneurial life of Montréal. Acces to entrepreneurial activities and to mentors, as well as the creation of new sources of funding, will be prioritized. Content and approaches used in the gradual implementation of intersectional sexdifferentiated analysis will be made available.

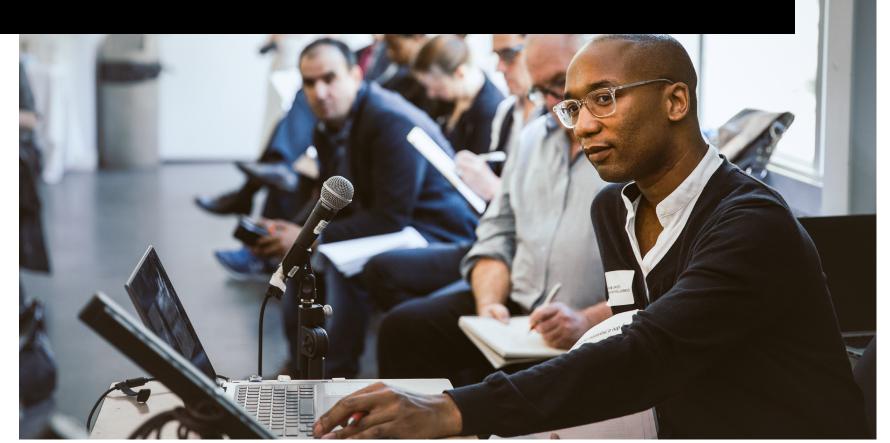
Updating of PAEE
(programme d'accès à
l'égalité en emploi) and of
the action plan for diversity
in employment 2016-2019,
with a special focus on crosssectional issues

Upgrade of the professional mentoring program in 2019, with 11 internships for Indigenous candidates.



The public consultation on racism and systemic discrimination offers an excellent opportunity to identify the obstacles to inclusiveness in employment, and find appropriate solutions to these problems.

The City of Montréal will take into account all elements that come out of this consultation process.



The City wishes to reaffirm its attachment to the following values: respect for human dignity, equality, inclusiveness, tolerance and justice. It will continue to be true to these values in all of its actions.



