

# Photo Voice Project

## RESEARCH PROJECT TITLE: MY VOICE, OUR COMMUNITIES: A VISUAL RESEARCH PROJECT

### PURPOSE OF THE STUDY

Students of Sociology Honours (SOC404) are conducting a photo-voice project for a class assignment under the supervision of Dr. Cheryl Gosselin of the Department of Sociology at Bishop's University, Sherbrooke, Quebec. The purpose of the study is to allow youth to express in their own words what they think about their community and where they see themselves in it. The project uses the method of photo-voice that utilizes images, voice and written statements to convey one's own personal stories. The goal of the project is to inspire youth to see and express their voices and narratives within their own communities while encouraging a positive recognition of English-Speaking Quebecers of the Eastern Townships.

### POTENTIAL BENEFITS

The children will benefit by learning more about their communities and the assets they have. They will be able to use technology and the producers of their own stories. The project is designed to be instructive as well as fun. Also, this project will foster connectivity and collaboration between Bishop's University, your child's school and its Community Learning Centre. As community partners the three entities will be able to be part of a network whose goal is to build strong communities and act as sustainable resources for families, neighborhoods and their surrounding regions. The SOC404 students will learn from participating in community action-based research.

