



TCCBE Annual Report 2008-2009

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Did you know?

- *TCCBE is now working with faculty on community research projects?*
- *The TCCBE and U-Links facilitated close to 70 projects in 2008-2009?*
- *The TCCBE is entering its 14th year of operations and has been 20 years in the making?*

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Research demonstrates need to increase community awareness of intellectual disabilities

In the summer of 2007, Community Living Peterborough approached the TCCBE with an idea for a project to complete a community awareness study on the attitudes and knowledge about people with intellectual disabilities and community awareness about the services that Community Living provides. The results of this project would be compared and contrasted against provincial statistics to better understand the unique issues that are faced in this region.

Unfortunately the project was not picked up until over a year

later in September of 2008. However, in the end, the work of these students proved to be well worth the wait. The students were handpicked to pilot the CBE program for the Mathematics department. Both in their final year of studies, these two students used their expertise in sampling and modeling to conduct door-to-door surveys in the City of Peterborough and telephone surveys in the County. In the end they concluded that the awareness of the term

'intellectual disability' was lower for the Peterborough area than for the rest of the province.

As a result of this project, Community Living has decided to reconfigure their marketing and education strategy to better reflect the needs of the community. Further, they would like to work with students again to continue with their survey and assess any changes. The mathematics department would like to formalize their relationship with the CBE program and are hoping to have at least one, if not more, projects in the 2009-2010 academic year.



For a complete listing of 2008-09 projects and participants, please visit:
<http://www.trentcentre.ca/resources/publications>

TCCBE launches new program: The Strategic Research Initiative (SRI)

For over a decade, the Trent Centre for Community-Based Education (TCCBE) has brought local organizations together with students and faculty at Trent University to complete hundreds of student research projects in

Peterborough City and County - all under the umbrella of the Community-Based Education (CBE) Program.

The Strategic Research Initiative (SRI) is about addressing strategic, long-term community research needs

related to issues like poverty reduction, climate change or the aging workforce. Projects may involve many stakeholders, including faculty researchers at universities and colleges.

Research projects may occur
(See 'SRI' on page 2)

See what CBE & CSL projects are currently on the go:

www.trentcentre.ca/programs-and-services/cbe-program/current-cbe-projects



Antonia and Brett present radio results at Knowledge in Action Forum

*“Prior to getting involved in this project, I had no knowledge of Peterborough’s Workforce Development Board, especially as a resource for social planning in the area of population aging.”
(Faculty member)*

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Executive Director Todd Barr and 2009-10 President and Chair Barb Reid

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Project cultivates French music Diaspora at Trent Radio

This 2008 project demonstrated a partnership between two students in two different courses; one Community-Based Education (CBE) project and one short-term project through our Community-Service-Learning (CSL) Program. The students contributed to researching and producing a weekly Trent Radio show on French language music. From the host perspective, the impact of the students continues to resonate:

- ◇ The project fulfilled a long standing need of the organization to increase its French music and language content.
- ◇ When the project finished in December, the students continued to co-host the radio show until April. One student also volunteered as a summer executive producer - volunteering and training other broadcasters.
- ◇ This successful project

helped Trent Radio increase its profile with the francophone community and bring new volunteers to the organization.

Through working on this project, the students learned about time management, multi-party communication and community engagement. Students felt their communication and presentation skills improved and they also learned about different musical traditions and genres.

SRI involves faculty in community-based research

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over a number of years.

What services will the SRI offer?
Possible staff roles include:

- ⇒ Help define research questions or project ideas
- ⇒ Promote projects to students and faculty

- ⇒ Enhance projects by linking with our broad community network
- ⇒ Encourage and support positive relationships between project stakeholders
- ⇒ Support proposal-writing and grant applications
- ⇒ Design and implement community-based research projects

⇒ Student involvement through the CBE program

Our pilot SRI project is on Peterborough’s aging workforce in partnership with the Workforce Development Board and many other stakeholders.

Funding for the SRI is generously provided by the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

Read about current SRI projects at:

<http://www.trentcentre.ca/programs-and-services/strategic-research-initiative/current-sri-projects>

Message from Executive Director and President

Every year we have the pleasure of learning about the exciting educational and community development projects being completed in our region and 2008-2009 was no exception. While this report to the community outlines a few project stories, we encourage readers to view the full list of projects available on the TCCBE

website - so many diverse, community-generated topics! From food security to historical profiles of local organizations to language education to environmental restoration...the projects being carried out by students, faculty, local organizations and program staff are nothing short of amazing. We would like to thank all

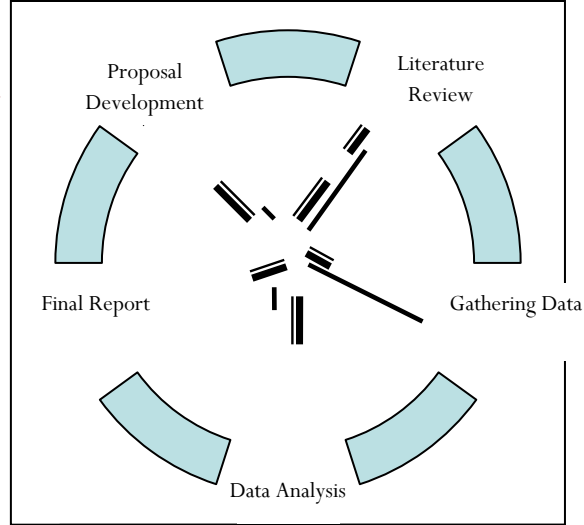
2008-2009 project participants, our dedicated and loyal staff and volunteers and key supporters like Trent University, the Ontario Trillium Foundation, the J.W. McConnell Family Foundation, the Pilkington-Henniger Charitable Trust and many other groups and individual donors for another successful year.

TCCBE receives funding for community-based research training

In December 2008, the TCCBE received funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation for training in Social Analysis Systems (SAS²). Simply put, SAS² is a wide-ranging approach and toolkit that can provide students, faculty and community stakeholders with powerful and accessible tools for research, evaluation and monitoring. This approach bridges the gap between traditional, expert-driven

processes that produce hard evidence for action and participatory methods that emphasize consensus at any cost. In 2010, we hope TCCBE staff will become certified to use the SAS² approach and tools to greatly enhance the delivery of the Strategic Research Initiative and CBE Program...and at the same time increase the capacity of our partners to conduct innovative community-based research.

Geography students use SAS² techniques to reflect on their research projects



Conducting a CBE research project

Number of sticks (challenges): _____
 Number of stones (feelings of satisfaction): _____

One step closer to a Dedicated Angler Program

At the request of the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR), a Geography student investigated the feasibility of a County-wide 'Dedicated Angler Program' to support a more informed approach to fisheries management in Haliburton County. The project included conducting secondary research on existing programs and developing a survey to consult

with the angler community. From the beginning, the project was an excellent match; however the true testament was shown at the community consultation meeting. The student gave a great presentation and was very adept at responding to questions. The anglers who attended the meeting were very engaged in the process and all

participated in the survey afterwards. The work has created a resource for the County and has initiated first steps in establishing a program in the Haliburton area. Since project completion, the student secured employment with MNR for the summer and there continues to be movement towards the implementation of his work.



More project stories: www.trentcentre.ca/programs-and-services/cbe-program/past-cbe-projects

35 community research projects profiled at annual Knowledge in Action Forum

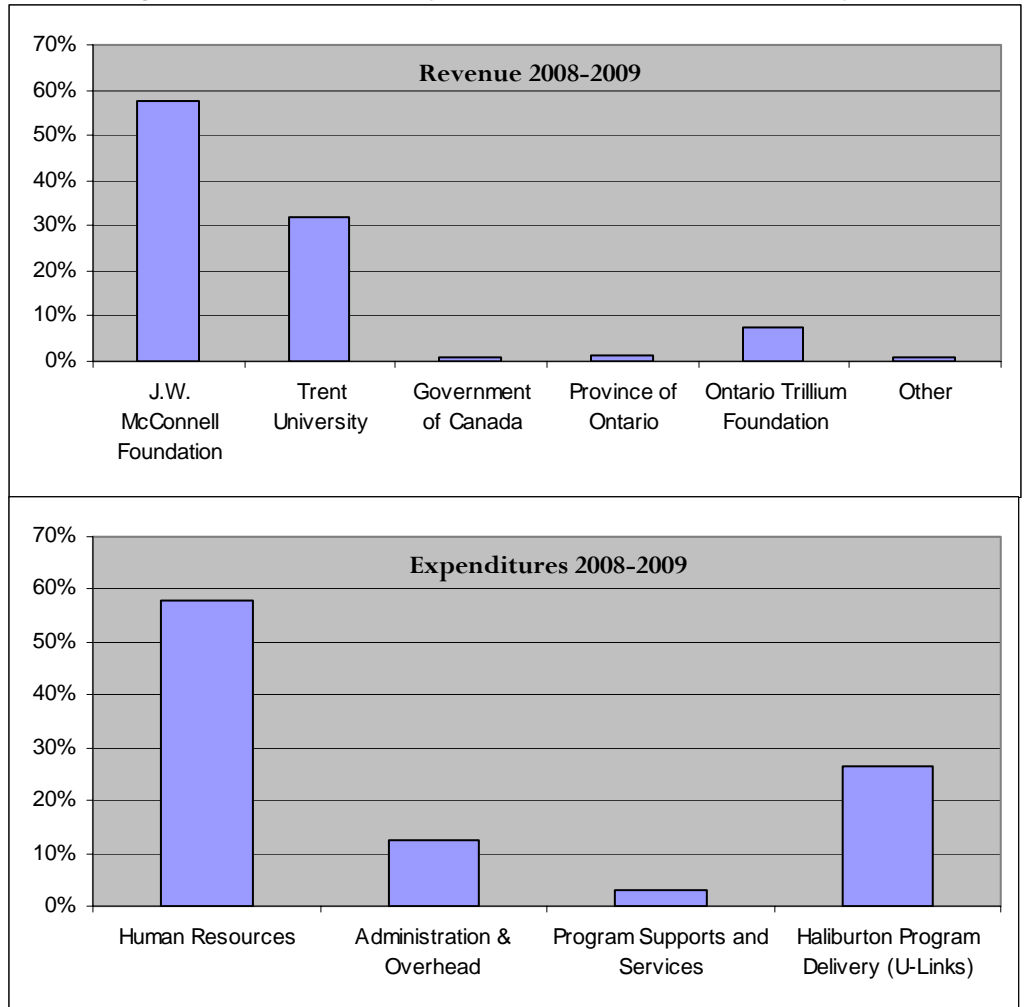
Interested in the state of food security in Peterborough City and County? Want to know more about environmental contaminants in the regions' rivers and lakes...and what we can do about it? These were two of many research topics profiled at the 2009 Knowledge in Action (KIA) Forum on

March 10 at the All Saints Anglican Church in downtown Peterborough. This is TCCBE's annual public event that showcases dozens of community-based research projects conducted in Peterborough City and County in a 'tradeshow' format.

Held in the spring, the KIA Forum is an opportunity to learn about research in the community and network with students, faculty, local organizations and citizens. This past year Malcolm Hunt (City of Peterborough) spoke about the new Downtown Peterborough Master Plan.



Project Tally 2008-2009 (Peterborough & Haliburton)	Students	Hosts
CBE Projects: 52	118	39
CSL Projects: 13	192	10
SRI Projects: 5	0	1
Project Grand Totals: 70	310	50
Incomplete Projects: 4	5	4
Unmatched Projects: 24	n/a	17
# of Faculty: 33	n/a	n/a
# of University Departments: 16	n/a	n/a



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TCCBE volunteers and staff 2008-2009

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TCCBE Staff - Dec 2009

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