

## Education & Awareness Subcommittee Update – Dec 2, 2025

The committee continues to meet for an hour and a half monthly. We are tabling one of the projects, Resident Testimonials, and continue to focus on arranging speaking engagements with Christian and various groups and organizations throughout Northumberland County as well as developing an interactive Poverty Simulation Exercise.

We are also in very preliminary discussions about hosting a small, invite-only opportunity for downtown businesses to meet with Christian and the CLC to share their feedback and concerns. DBIA members and those with businesses within the radius of 310 would be invited to meet with Christian and the CLC, with the initial meeting being to hear voices of business owners, their experiences, concerns, while also being able to exchange information, clarify and/or answer any questions...similar to the speaking engagements that Christian is doing with other groups but the priority of the first meeting is to hear from business owners. Again, this is very preliminary so stay tuned for more information on that.

In terms of speaking engagements, Christian spoke with the Cobourg Rotary Club last week and will be meeting with the Campbellford Rotary Club and St. Peter's Church next week. These meetings allow for an exchange of information: Christian can provide updates on 310 and group members also have the opportunity to ask questions and/or share feedback or concerns. We are continuing to reach out to other groups in the community to arrange future meetings.

Last but certainly not least, Cathy and Beth have been working with the Northumberland Legal Centre and have consulted with the current Executive Director at OneCity in Peterborough about an interactive learning exercise that they delivered last year at an anti-stigma event. They have adapted scenarios to match current Town of Cobourg by-laws, with the hope to invite community members to

participate in the learning exercise here in Cobourg. As a trial, they are going to do a run through with us here tonight.