

PROJECT OVERVIEW

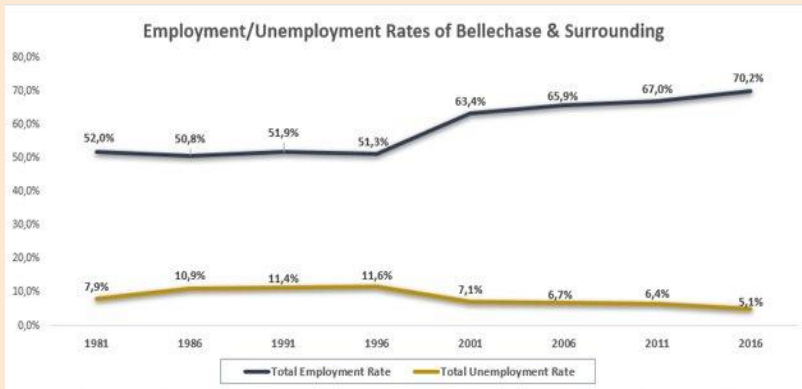
The Bellechasse Sector in the southwest part of the Rosemont – La Petite Patrie borough is one characterized by its presence of a diversity of diversified economic activities from industry and transportation to office space. It is currently subject to a planning initiative that originated in 2006 that looked to redevelop the area, in coherence with the plans for a new STM center for transport. These plans were on hold from 2012 until the confirmation of the new STM Transport Center, and its construction began in 2018. The plans for redevelopment in this area are based heavily on the principles of an eco-district, which advocate for a car – free living environment where active and collective modes of transportation are highly emphasized, and all necessities from groceries to opportunities for employment are within walking distance. The proposal for a new residential neighbourhood, new parks and greenspaces, sports facilities, and increased accessibility to adjacent boroughs through active modes of transport surely have the potential to bring this area to life, and create the ideal environment needed to live a healthy lifestyle for everyone, from senior citizens to families alike.

OUR PROGRESS

We identified a criteria of certain data information that we wanted to collect in the fields of economic industries & employment information, incomes, housing costs & values, and education. By acquiring census tract numbers for Bellechasse and all of its surrounding area, we were able to then collect all relevant data on Stats Canada and begin our preliminary analysis. That raw statistical data that was obtained through our search process allowed us to begin our analysis and compare that information by cross referencing data categories together. The use of graphs and table charts on excel will visually support any analysis and hypothesis that we make.

Bellechasse Case Study

Examining the economic impacts on vulnerable populations



PROJECT MANDATE

Our project mandate is to determine gaps in available data in a Montreal context so as to properly assess the vulnerability caused by development in the Bellechasse study area. Specifically, we focused on the local economy of the area. As such, we are trying to tackle means of data research so as to properly identify issues involving marginalized communities, and mitigate the risk of economic issues and gentrification for these marginalized individuals. By incorporating better and more specified means of data research, as well as decreasing bias in our own research, we intend on proposing a plan for the Bellechasse area that fairly takes into account all members of the community. We are proposing the usage of different data aggregation databases, data collection means so as to prioritize marginalized voices, and methods of bias mitigation in order to best carry out our plan in Bellechasse.

NEXT STEPS AND DESIRED OUTCOMES

In the Bellechasse area while conducting our study we noticed the need to collect more data. Finding more data helps identify the changes which are currently happening. Data will provide us better insight towards the population living in the area. Further analysis to find out what problems the area is facing due to Covid 19, we need to implement a better system to provide the individual in their living conditions. Able to build a better community. As a group looking towards the local economy, we want to recommend policy and programs which will help the local business economy in the area and help the vulnerable population.