



TAKING ACTION

FOR STRONG AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

Observations at the midpoint of the Action Plan for Official Languages 2023–2028

OUR TARGETED MONITORING FOCUSED ON THE FOLLOWING:

Federal coordination aimed at linguistic equality

Initiative of partnerships for the strengthening of Part VII of the *Official Languages Act*

Francophone immigration

- Francophone immigration policy
- Centre for innovation in Francophone immigration

Health

Official Languages Health Program

Education

Federal provincial territorial agreements on education in the minority language and second language teaching

Economic vitality in minority communities

Employment assistance services component of the Enabling Fund for Official Language Minority Communities Program

WE ENCOURAGE

the federal institutions involved and the Minister responsible for Official Languages to demonstrate careful planning and rigour in developing the next plan so that it is strong and sustainable. To achieve this, they should:

Ensure a smooth transition and stable funding

Planning and discipline are essential to avoid or minimize any funding gaps and to quickly deploy funds at the start of a new plan. It is equally vital to simplify administrative requirements so that community organizations can quickly access funds and implement their initiatives and programs effectively.

Consult to adapt initiatives

Listening to official language communities helps understand their needs and make the necessary adjustments to programs and initiatives.

Adapt to changing needs at the national level and take regional particularities into account

It is essential to adapt programs over time and to take into account the evolving needs of communities. A one size fits all approach should be avoided, and initiatives should be easily tailored to different regional realities in order to effectively address the specific needs of each community and maximize impact on the ground.