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VICTORIA 2020 CANADIAN FRANCOPHONE GAMES POSTPONED

Ottawa, October 8th, 2020 – The CFGames will once again be postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, announces the Fédération de la jeunesse canadienne-française (French-Canadian Youth Federation – “FJCF”) and the local Organizing Committee (OC) of the 8th edition of the Canadian Francophone Games (Victoria 2020 CFGames).

The current context and all the uncertainties that lie ahead, make it difficult to safely organize the CFGames in the summer of 2021, while maintaining the nature of the event appreciated by so many. In order to guarantee the quality of the event for all participants, visitors, collaborators and partners, the FJCF and the OC made the difficult decision to postpone the Games once again. If conditions are right, the CFGames in Victoria would be postponed to summer 2022.

Once again, the two organizations are working closely to postpone all events that had originally been planned for 2020.

The CFGames are not possible without funding and community partners, as well as suppliers, who continue to show great flexibility in these unprecedented times. We would like to sincerely thank them for their commitment to the CFGames.

We would also like to thank the provincial and territorial teams, the mission staff, the volunteers and all the participants for their understanding and ongoing collaboration.

The FJCF and the Host Committee will address the 9th edition of the CFGames at a later date.

The [FJCF](#) is a national organization managed by and for youth, made up of eleven youth associations from nine provinces and two territories. Established in 1974, the FJCF defends the interests of Canada’s French-speaking youth and helps them reach their full potential.

The [Victoria 2020 Canadian Francophone Games Organizing Committee](#) is tasked with delivering the CFGames to contribute to the sociocultural development and identity building of young Canadians aged 14 to 18 who speak French. During the CFGames, those young Canadians will take part in more than 70 events in 13 disciplines in arts, leadership and sports. The events include visual arts, public speaking, athletics and volleyball. Culinary arts and sailing will also be part of the program during the 2020 CFGames as demonstration disciplines.

The CFGames are among the largest gatherings of Canada's French-speaking youth. In addition to encouraging hundreds of young people to exercise their talents in one of three sectors (arts, leadership and sports), the Games showcase cultural pride, self-confidence and leadership abilities in a friendly, competitive setting. The CFGames are a [Fédération de la jeunesse canadienne-française](#) (FJCF) initiative, financed in part by the [Government of Canada](#).

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