

Promoting community capacity and sustainability, **POINT OF REFERENCE** is **CED** in action .

HOW IT WORKS:

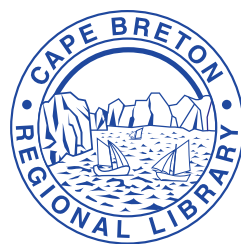
- Your community group or small business approaches your local branch library with requests for information and/or information resources.
- The community library staff determines whether your request can be filled at the branch, or whether it should be referred to CBRL Headquarters.
- Requests that cannot be filled by the community library will be forwarded to CBRL Headquarters. Requests for information that cannot be filled at CBRL Headquarters are forwarded to CBU Library.

Once filled, all **POINT OF REFERENCE** information requests are sent back to the community library.

- Requests for information are targeted to be filled within 2 business days of receipt of request.

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Sydney, Nova Scotia
Canada B1P 6L2
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POINT OF REFERENCE*: AN INFORMATION ACCESS STRATEGY FOR **COMMUNITY**



Resources for Community Research:
An Introduction

* **POINT OF REFERENCE** is a free information service for community organizations and small business , brought to you by Cape Breton Regional Library and Cape Breton University Library.

For Questions You Ask ...

Do you know how to find books through your local public library?

- The book catalog can be searched from the Library's homepage at : www.cbri.ca
- The default search in the "Quick Search" bar is by keyword. If you have the exact title or author use the "Power Search" option menu. Once you find a title that works, then, at the extreme left, search the hyperlinked terms under "Try these too" for more material.
- Books may be borrowed for 2 weeks
- Material can be delivered to your community library by placing a hold on the item you would like.
- If an item is not held in any local library, you can request the item to be delivered to your community library by using interlibrary loan.

WHERE is it???? www.cbri.ca
>>>Quick Search

AND

Do you know how to find useful magazine and newspaper articles?

- CBRL web site offers online access to magazine and newspaper articles, and other reliable information through databases such as **CPI.Q., Gardening Magazines, Health and Wellness Resource Center** and more
- These resources are very straightforward to use.
- Use your library card bar code number to login.
- Many articles are available on the databases.

WHERE are they???? www.cbri.ca
Search for Information >>>
Magazines from Home

...The Answers You Need

Do you know where to find reliable information about establishing and operating a business or non-profit in Nova Scotia?

- CBRL hosts The Business Room, a virtual business information centre, on its website.
- This site hosts general information links, reference materials that will help you start, operate and grow your business and/or non-profit.

WHERE is it???? www.cbri.ca
Search for Information>>>
Business Information

Looking for statistics that describe your community?

Check out **Community Counts** at :
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/finance/communitycounts/>

Check with your local branch of the Cape Breton Regional Library for help with these resources and if you have further questions.

REMEMBER, when you need help or have more questions, don't forget your **POINT OF REFERENCE**.