

**Placement Student Report to the Lanark County Community Justice Board of Directors,
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Over the last month, I have continued to observe LCCJ operations and collaborative work, while at the same time shifting into a more active application of my learnings.

I have had excellent opportunity to practice various social work skills while helping to organize and participate in several Community Justice Program Forums, including both adult and youth accused. These experiences have brought home the cruciality of subduing judgement and focusing on listening, and have illustrated the axiom about there being two sides to every story.

The webinars LCCJ has been hosting weekly have been a great source of information on topical issues such as Anxiety, and Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder. In addition to the high calibre of video content, the group discussions that follow have consistently been spirited, authentic, engaging, and incredibly insightful. It was my pleasure and an honour to have been given the chance to facilitate two of these recent conversations.

I have continued to participate in agency engagement with other organizations and collaborative initiatives. This has included the Lanark County Planning Council for Children, Youth and Families, the Youth At Risk Committee, observing Youth Court, and connecting with other justice related agencies such as the mental health court worker and the John Howard Society.

On the more internal side of things, I have been getting deeper into agency and program support work, including assistance with VIVA materials development, Building Restorative Communities marketing, grant writing, symposium planning, updating the Community Services Referral List, fundraiser event planning, newsletter and annual report production, and some minor website work. I was also able to see things in action by participating in a Restorative Roots workshop facilitated by Elle Halladay.