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Lorraine Silliphant – Canada 150 Fredericton Community Leadership Recipient

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Lorraine has been a fierce advocate for people with intellectual disabilities and for progressive public policies supporting inclusion. Nationally, Lorraine is a Distinguished Associate of the Canadian Association for Community Living, chaired CACL's Law Reform and Public Policy Committee, was a Director of the Institute for Research and Development on Inclusion in Society, and was instrumental in having disability included as a prohibited ground of discrimination in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Locally, Lorraine was a founding member of Jobs Unlimited, has been President, Program Coordinator, and Executive Director of the New Brunswick Association for Community Living, was a founding member of the NB Disability Executives Network, chaired the NB Planning Advisory Committee on Community Services for the Disabled, and, since the 1970's, has been a driving force at the Fredericton Association for Community Living. Lorraine has worked towards having all children included in our communities and in regular classrooms, has advocated for the provision of early intervention for children with disabilities, and led efforts for support to be provided to adults with an intellectual disability so that they may have meaningful employment and live in their own home.