

CCMW Montreal held an Open House on Sunday 28th May 2023 at the Sister Sabria Foundation (SSF)'s centre located on St. Hubert street. The event was well-attended by just over 50 women and presentations by Mariam Hamaoui of CCMW National and Farida Mohamed, co-president of CCMW Montreal, centred around the brief history and achievements of CCMW and those of the Montreal chapter. We then broke for prayers and lunch.



Farida Mohamed then proceeded to give a small presentation on Mental Well-being with guest speakers Dr. Sally Mustapha, a researcher on psychosis at Douglas Hospital, and Samina Uddin, an emotional intelligence life coach. The young audience were very engaged in this topic and a future session may have to be organized.

Samaa Elibyari, co-president, talked about the importance of MICA (Muslims in Canada Archives) and about the lawsuit that has been launched against the Quebec government on the issue of not allowing prayer in schools.

The artist Tehzib Murad was on place to present her artwork and two ladies displayed their hijabs and scarves for sale. Publications from CCMW were on display for attendees to take home. Four young students from the Muslim secondary school École de la Synergie volunteered for the event with two of them doing henna.



On a more spiritual note, CCMW Montreal showed the first half of a video prepared by Amira Elias, our vice-president, entitled “The purpose of life and the power of du’as”, before breaking for the day. Eight young women registered to become members of CCMW Montreal after the event, three of them expressing an interest to work with youth.

