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Sylvia leads the Deepening Community Practice Area at Tamarack which is cultivating a greater understanding of the power of community and neighbours and the unique role that citizens play in creating dynamic and well-connected neighbourhoods and communities.

Sylvia provides coaching, leadership and support in the fields of collaborative leadership; collective impact and community engagement. She is an internationally recognized trainer and community builder and is also Editor of Engage!, Tamarack's award-winning e-magazine. Over the past two years, much of Sylvia's work has focused on building awareness and capacity in Collective Impact throughout North America.

Prior to joining Tamarack full-time, Sylvia was the founding Director of Headwaters Communities in Action (HCIA), a grassroots citizen collaboration that fosters leadership and action in support of a longterm vision of well-being for Ontario's Headwaters region. The lived experience of starting and growing an effective regional collective impact effort in rural Ontario resonates deeply with clients in rural, small urban and more remote settings.

Sylvia is a skilled facilitator and has a proven track record in finding and securing grant funding – both project and capital -- to support innovative community projects. She recently completed her Masters Diploma in Social Innovation at the University of Waterloo where she explored opportunities to create change within regional food systems.

Sylvia lives in Caledon Ontario with her husband John Graham and their three children: Gabriella, Garrett and Sean.