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Workshops Designed for Newcomers

Location: Mississauga Valley Community Centre and Library

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Canada Newcomers & Immigration Association have designed several workshops to implement the Multicultural Community Capacity Grant throughout the period of this project cycle.

The purpose of these workshops is to help refugees/immigrants integrate in their community and be able to choose a suitable path for themselves in the Canadian society. Adapting to a pristine environment is a big challenge for newcomers, especially those who have experienced trauma, war or persecution. Being a newcomer is difficult and they can easily be misguided and make unwise decisions if they do not have the right connections and resources.



Intended Outcome: as per the intended outcome that we have mentioned in our proposal during the submission, the project has already accomplished the maximum outcome in the three-cycle based workshops that we have design, arranged, organized and conducted.

All three cycles of the training under this project had a very satisfactory outcome in the presence of the newcomers who have newly arrived in Canada. During the training workshops, we had lecturers and also potential partners (employers from Corporates and Settlement agencies) to take part in the lecture and information sessions of the workshops that we have conducted.

We not only met the goals and work plan which was submitted for the project during the application but also, we have established a very effective and highly productive partnership between the newcomers and the community members including the agencies, employers (private sector) and the refugees have gained further familiarization and understanding of the living standards within the Canadian communities.



As a result, our goal is to provide educational and career-based guidance for newcomers. By completing these workshops, the attendees have already learned the understanding of voluntarism and community engagement. The attendees have already been encouraged to take part in civil society through mediums of learning and volunteering as it will help them develop a sense of well-being. Increasing involvement and participation in the community is a method of integrating newcomers into the society, encouraging risk taking and allowing them to be comfortable with their surroundings, which was taught and emphasized during the three-cycles of the workshops conducted.



In conclusion, the newcomers have learned about their surroundings and the opportunities that will make it easier for them to secure educational and career pathways.

Workshop Activity conducted:

- ❖ CNIA newcomer's orientation presented by our project manager, and visiting partners
- ❖ Provided Brochures and business cards of local community organizations/agencies
- ❖ Explained processes of obtaining education, health services and employment
- ❖ Address questions and concerns (Q and A)
- ❖ 30 minutes discussion between the peers
- ❖ Gift distribution



Areas of Focus: networking, career building, capacity building, referrals, housing, community involvement, credit counselling and etc....

Canada Newcomers & Immigration Association believes in collaboration. We have prepared brochures and booklets where Newcomers can access different organizations, services and great resources in terms of education and employment.

Beneficiary/Attendees: Youth, adults, refugees, immigrants, newcomers of all genders.

- **Civic engagement** - Facilitate community engagement, social integration and voluntarism to promote inclusion for immigrant and ethno-cultural communities.
- **Social connections** - Promote social connections and employment networking, including programs that reduce barriers and increase support for vulnerable groups.
- **Education and empowerment** - Promote intercultural understanding and break down barriers to participation in community life and decision-making.
- **Women's empowerment** - Support empowerment by helping women of diverse



cultural backgrounds to achieve their full social and economic potential.

- **Capacity building and partnerships** - Build the capacity of immigrant and multicultural organizations, and promote collaboration between service providers, to better serve newcomer and ethno-cultural communities.



Thanking Ontario Ministry of Immigration and Citizenship:

Canada Newcomers & Immigration Association would like to take this opportunity thanking Ontario Ministry of Immigration and Citizenship for giving the approval of the Project that's been highly effective and productive for the newcomers that have just arrived in Canada. We hope to have such programs and opportunities from the Ministry soon. Canada Newcomers and Immigration Association is a young and newly established Organization that's run by the young and highly professional prominent pioneers. Our Goal is to promote and support the multiculturalism across the communities and societies that the Organization is working with. In addition, our goal is to build more effective and productive partnership by collaborating with other private, non-government and public institutions.

Thank you

CNIA, Team