



MAP Multi-Agency
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Working Together for Refugee Claimants

MAP Member Agency News

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Dear MAP members,

How are you doing? That's a common question nowadays and one that MAP wants to focus on during the pandemic and the unrest caused by overt and covert racism – providing support through online MAP meetings, information and a friendly check in. We will keep you up to date with any changes to refugee claimant services as they happen - and ask if you have information that you would like to share with MAP that you let us know at info@mapbc.org

NEWS!!

- **October's MAP Meeting is Thursday October 22 and will feature:**
 - **Employment Programs for Refugee Claimants**
 - **Update from CBSA: Alternatives to Detention Program and the Immigration Holding Center**Register here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAvC-mrpj8oG9PFPigPXpHtEBbSFMp8AF-F>
- **MAP Executive completed annual planning** – updates and new programs will be announced at the upcoming meeting.
- **Prof Dan Hiebert's address to AMSSA AGM** – graciously shared by both Prof Hiebert and AMSSA is attached: **Canadian Migration in the age of Covid**

Thank you for all you are doing to support vulnerable refugee claimants - especially during these unprecedented times. Stay safe and well - and let's not let social distancing be a barrier to the folks we serve.

Jenny Lam and Richard Belcham, - and the other Jenny!

Vancity, Hua Foundation and Bảo Vệ Collective launch Translated Aid Resources for people and businesses facing barriers to accessing government COVID-19 supports

Vancity has translated some basic information for the most relatable benefits and they are found here:

https://www.vancity.com/AboutVancity/News/MediaReleases/TranslationProject_Sep2020/

(English material:

https://www.vancity.com/SharedContent/documents/Covid_support/Vancity_Fact-Sheet_Covid_Government_Benefits_English.pdf)

In the translated works, there will be two links to the videos on how to create a MyAccount with CRA and how to apply for CERB.

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You are cordially invited to join us at the **MOSAIC Awards Ceremony – October 22, 2020** (6 pm). This year the event will be done virtually over Zoom.

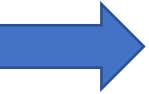
MOSAIC Awards Ceremony will be honouring and recognizing newcomer and refugee achievements, Human Rights Award, and much more! MOSAIC is proud to present annually a suite of awards supporting refugee and immigrant youth in pursuing post-secondary education as well as recognizing individuals and organizations who make significant contributions to supporting equity, diversity, and inclusion.

- [Human Rights Award](#)

This award is presented to a person or organization that has made a significant contribution in the field of human rights and ethnic relations.

- [Employer Recognition Award](#)

This award is presented to an employer for leadership and commitment in providing a workplace that supports the principles of multiculturalism and employment equity.



- [**Eyob G. Naizghi Scholarship Award**](#)

This \$5,000 scholarship is awarded to a female refugee for leadership development through education and training.

- [**Dr. Kes Chetty Education Award**](#)

This award is awarded to a MOSAIC client, immigrant or refugee who wants to pursue academic or vocational studies.

- [**Ann & Jo-Ann Sobkow Scholarship Award**](#)

This award is for financial support to refugees 25 years and over for the advancement of their education in a helping profession.

Event Details:

Date : Thursday, October 22, 2020

Time: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM PDT

- **Location:** Online - a Zoom link will be provided after your registration.

Please click on the button below to register.

[reservations](#)



In recognition of October 16th World Food Day, we are highlighting the Food Security Program at Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House and all the food heroes who have been working so hard to support the community in this challenging time.

Read our newsletter here: [Frog Hollow This Month-Oct 2020](#)

All my relations,

Ancel Xiaoyu Zhu (she, her, hers) |

Community Development and Administrative Coordinator

Save the New Dates!
February 24th & 25th, 2021

BCSIS 2021 PROVINCIAL MEETING
VIRTUAL SUMMIT

The BCSIS Provincial Meeting will be held as a two-day virtual summit on Wednesday, February 24th & Thursday, February 25th, 2021. The meeting agenda will cover a wide range of topics based on service provider needs and interests expressed in the survey AMSSA conducted, and through the guidance of the Meeting Planning Advisory. A virtual summit increases opportunities for participation. There will be topics relevant to all levels, including senior management, supervisors, and front-line staff.

When and Where

Date: **Wednesday, February 24th & Thursday, February 25th, 2021**

Time: **Approximately 9:00 am – 4:00 pm**

Where: **Online - Virtual Summit**

Invitations to register and detailed event information will be sent out in the coming weeks. Please share this information with your BCSIS colleagues who will benefit from attending.

We welcome your participation!

Sincerely, Lori Cameron

CCR Fall Consultation: Registration opens next week!



Our Consultation is getting closer. The volunteer teams are working hard on creating workshops that address current issues while also ensuring a good discussion flow, and our staff continues to organize everything to offer you the best virtual experience.

Thanks to all this hard work on both parts, we are happy to announce that **registration will open next week on Monday 19 October from 09:00 am EDT**. On Monday, you will receive a detailed email explaining the registration process.

What's new?

Program:

For more information about the sessions on offer, read the [Consultation program](#).

Fees:

CCR members pay \$75 per person for the entire Consultation (all 23 sessions). The full fee scale can be found [here](#).

Please note that if you register 10 persons or more the price per person comes down to \$50 for the entire Consultation.

Reminder

When: 26 November to 11 December (two non-concurrent sessions per day)

For more general information on our Fall Consultation, including updated descriptions of workshops you can visit: <https://ccrweb.ca/en/meetings>

Internal/ External Job Posting
Burnaby Family Life (Edmonds LINC Childminding)

Edmonds LINC Childminding, part of Burnaby Family Life, is looking for a Facility Coordinator. Working with Burnaby School District LINC program providing childminding service for the families attending classes. We provide parenting information, and encourage family engagement in our program and the community.

Position: Edmonds LINC Childminding Facility Coordinator

Location: 7355 Canada Way Burnaby, BC

Hours: 7 hours a day, between 8:30am to 3:30pm Monday to Thursday and 4 hours extra for administration for a total of 32 hours weekly

Program Planned Closure: approximately 3 weeks in spring break, 2 weeks in winter break and 6 weeks in the summer

We follow Burnaby School District LINC Program Calendar

Wage: \$19.15 to \$22.32, plus additional \$2.00-dollar wage enhancement. **Benefits:** Eligibility for group benefits upon completion of probation

Start Date: As soon as possible

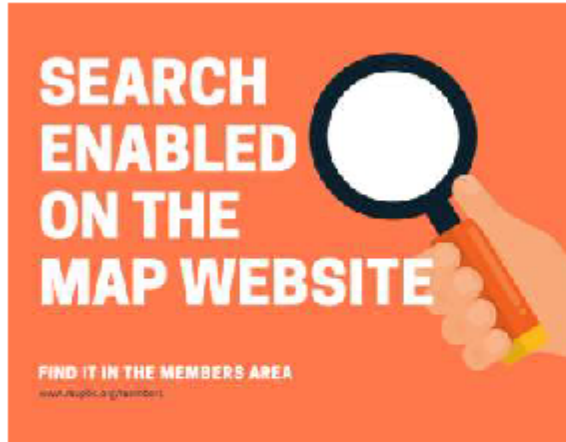
Required Job Competencies:

- **Health and Safety:** Implement and maintain licensing and BFL Health and Safety Policies that ensure the health and safety of all clients and staff
- **Child Development:** Plan and implement comprehensive programs that promote each child's social, emotional, cognitive, physical, communicative, creative and cultural development
- **Nurturing:** Guide children's behavior using a range of developmentally appropriate, consistent and positive approaches
- **Supporting Families:** Build, maintain positive and collaborative relationships and identify strengths, needs and interests of child with each family
- **Professional Development:** Develop and implement a personal professional development plan, with achievable and realistic goals and evaluate progress based on them
- **Team work:** Contribute to a work environment where individual differences, strengths and weaknesses are acknowledged and respected, create synergy and model behaviors that motivate and inspire the team, model high ethical standards diligently
- **Administration:** Maintain records of all verbal and written communications with and about families in keeping with legislative, professional and organizational requirements

Qualifications:

- Early Childhood Educator certificate and License to practice
- Valid Food Safe Level 1 Certification
- Proof of medical fitness to work with children
- Second language an asset
- Valid Emergency Child Care First Aid Certificate
- Clear Criminal Record
- Minimum 2 years of LINC childcare experience or in multicultural childcare setting

New SEARCH function added to the MAP website



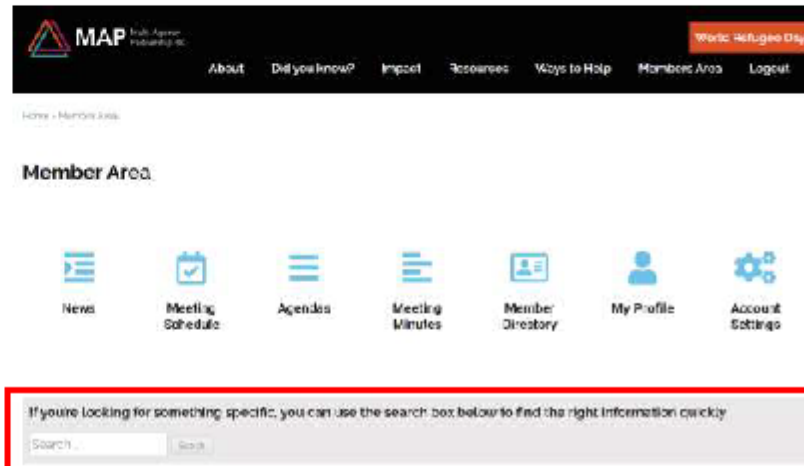
We're very happy to let you know that the MAP website – including all minutes, bulletins and agendas – is now fully searchable. This includes the website as well as all the PDFs, Word documents and attachments.

You'll find the SEARCH function at the bottom of the members' area home page: <https://mapbc.org/members/>. So if you haven't signed up to get a member account, then now's the time to do so!

It makes the whole site much easier to navigate and means that you can find exactly the information you need in a few short clicks!

Thank you for helping us to keep the website current...

MAP Executive – Jenny, Richard and Jenny





At Rainbow Refugee Society, we are continuing our online weekly drop-in groups and community outreach groups.

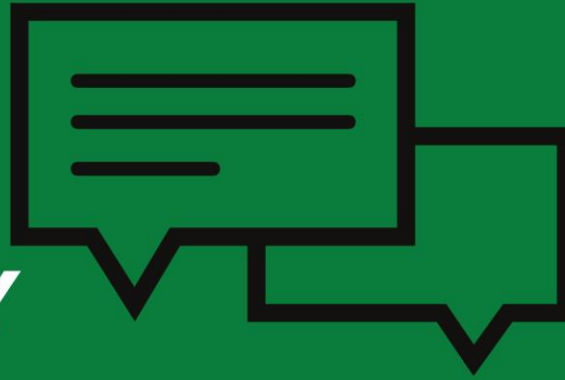
We proudly serve LGBTQ and nonbinary refugee and refugee claimants in Canada; offering emotional support, system navigation, hearing support and a welcoming community.

For more information or to refer a member, please contact Nazanin at: support@rainbowrefugee.ca

Nazanin Moghadami
Support Manager
Phone: 613.604.5024



ARABIC MONDAY GROUP



ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLUB FOR NEWCOMERS

Available for Arabic-speaking permanent residents,
refugee claimants and citizens.



4 Mondays, 12:00noon-1:30pm
Oct 5th & 19th, Nov 2nd & 16th 2020
Online via ZOOM

INQUIRIES OR REGISTRATION

Contact Maysa Zahranat at
604-941-8064 or maysa@froghollow.bc.ca

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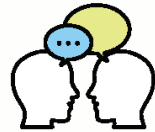
MOSAIC presents 2 ongoing workshops for refugee claimants (new poster attached)

<p>Event Name: Virtual English Conversation Circle for Refugee Claimants</p> <p>Date: Every Tuesday, September 29th – November 10th, 2020</p> <p>Time: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm</p> <p>Contact Person: Parisa Roofigari</p>	<p>Description:</p> <p>We will “meet” each week on Zoom (an app on your phone or computer)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Practice your English• Talk to new people• Learn more about life in Canada <p>Clients can register any week! To get the link, please email Parisa at rproofigari@mosaicbc.org</p>
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<p>Event Name: Virtual Table Topics for Refugee Claimants</p> <p>Date: Every Wednesday, October 7th – November 11th, 2020</p> <p>Time: 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm</p> <p>Contact Person: Tracy Tang</p>	<p>Description:</p> <p>We will “meet” each week on Zoom (an app on your phone or computer)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explore a wide variety of social discussion topics• Create new connections• Meet new people <p>Clients can register any week! To get the link, please email Tracy at ttang@mosaicbc.org</p>
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TABLE TOPICS

Mindfulness



- Explore a wide variety of social discussion topics
- Create new connections
- Improve your spoken English
- Meet new people

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(an app on your phone or computer)

Every Wednesday 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
October 7th - November 11th, 2020

You can register any week! To get the link, please
email refugeclaimant@mosaicbc.org



WelcomeBC



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Ministry of Jobs, Economic Development and Competitiveness.



ONLINE: English Conversation Circle for Refugee Claimants (Beginners)

Every Tuesday 11:00 am—12:00 pm
September 29 — November 10, 2020

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computer)

- Practice your English
- Talk to new people
- Learn more about life in Canada

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Webinar: **Understanding the needs and challenges of recruitment in Retail, Hospitality and Warehousing**

This event will provide immigrants and refugee job seekers a better understanding of the needs, skills and qualifications required by the Retail, Hospitality and Warehousing Sectors. The actual situation with COVID-19 has offered challenges to business and job seekers. The event will provide information and offer attendees the opportunity to ask questions to employers.

Panelists:

RETAIL: Mandy Mann, HR Manager for STORMTECH Performance Apparel

HOSPITALITY: Shanna Olson, Owner/Operator Browns Social House in Abbotsford and Chilliwack

WAREHOUSING: Kelly Yao, Senior Engagement Coordinator at Amazon Fulfillment Services

Zoom meeting.

When: Oct 15, 2020 09:00 – 11:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYrfu6trz4jEt2fegbdfEtp9cQRuk_FO0EG

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

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Please enjoy Froghollow Neighbourhood House latest newsletter:

<https://mailchi.mp/9d2a82f18845/frog-hollow-this-month-september-2020>

Happy Mid-Autumn Festival!

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From the City of Vancouver: an important survey re: Non-profits and their space needs that will most likely be applicable to you.

SPACE for COMMUNITY: SURVEY

Are you a not-for-profit, social enterprise or artist struggling to find and maintain affordable space? We want to hear from you!

SPACE for COMMUNITY is a multi-year study seeking to understand the real estate challenges impacting your sector. The Social Purpose Real Estate Collaborative (SPRE) and the Real Estate Institute of BC have commissioned this study and SURVEY to get the facts that will help create actions for change. The City of Vancouver is a member of SPRE.

Join a 1000 respondents to make your experience with real estate known. Take the SURVEY now and be entered to win one of four iPads before the early bird deadline October 15. The final date for participation is October 22. Results will be released via community events in key SPRE member communities in February/March/April 2021.

The survey will take 15 to 30 minutes to complete. Speed the process with your facility information in hand.

Take the [SPACE4COMMUNITY SURVEY](https://www.surveymonkey.com) [surveymonkey.com]

Please consider sharing the SURVEY LINK with your networks and get them to help tell the story of how real estate affects your organizations and your work.

Thank you for participating in SPACE FOR COMMUNITY 2020! For more information please go to <https://www.socialpurposerealestate.net> [socialpurposerealestate.net]

If you have questions, please contact **Lesley Anderson Project Facilitator SPRE, SOCIAL PURPOSE REAL ESTATE COLLABORATIVE, 604-360-0172.**

Thank you for making time to take the survey.

Nadia Carvallho

City of Vancouver Social Planning