



**MAP** Multi-Agency  
Partnership BC  
*Working Together for Refugee Claimants*

# MAP Member Agency News

MAP Bulletin # 59

October 28, 2020

**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](mailto:info@mapbc.org)

## **NEWS!!**

- **In this edition: an important announcement from the IRB:** Launching phase 2 of the 'My Case' pilot on October 26, 2020

- **REQUEST FROM MAP**

**MAP is re-forming the INFORMATION WORKING GROUP in order to create a robust public education and messaging program .**

**MAP** is calling on all member agencies to consider nominating a colleague for this ongoing committee.

- IWG members will work on public education including the 2021 Lecture series, 'Starting Over' Events and World Refugee Day
- Meetings will be once a month (more frequently in the lead up to World refugee day) of 2 hours on zoom.
- IWG member agencies can co-sponsor events, host and facilitate and promote on their social media.

A fuller information email will be sent out to MAP but if you are interested please contact Jenny at [info@mapbc.org](mailto:info@mapbc.org) or either of the co-chairs for more information and to join. Meetings will start in November. Thank you!

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**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!

Dear Colleagues,

2 pages

I am pleased to inform you that the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada (IRB) will be launching phase 2 of its My Case pilot on October 26, 2020. Importantly, the online self-service portal's new functionalities will include the secure exchange of documents.

While the creation of My Case predates the pandemic, the launch of phase 2 speaks to the IRB's response to COVID-19 and our resulting accelerated transformation into a digital organization.

It would be an understatement to say that the last few months have been difficult. The pandemic has been a true disruptor, altering our societal structures and norms. However, it has also provided exciting opportunities to introduce new ways of working and reimagine our organization. We thank you for your collaboration in helping us seize these opportunities.

Our expanded use of technology has been pivotal in adapting the way we work and has been of central importance in allowing us to continue to offer meaningful access to justice in a way that protects all parties' health and safety. Significantly, our digitalization efforts have included the spearheading of remote hearings through the implementation of a secure technological platform.

We have also worked rapidly to modernize our communications channels. As you are aware, all Divisions have expanded their use of email to include the exchange of documents. As an interim measure, we also broadened our use of epost Connect.

But what we have always been working towards, in terms of digital communications, is our My Case portal. When we launched phase 1 of the portal in November 2019, we acknowledged that functionalities were limited. But it was a first step in our digital journey and an important building block towards expanded capabilities.



With the launch of Phase 2 on October 26, 2020, counsel community will have access to an exciting and more dynamic way of interacting with the IRB. Registered counsel will be able to exchange documents securely with the Board, view case information and upcoming hearing dates on any active case(s). To support this launch, a [practice notice](#) has been issued.

We also recognize that a key requirement to support a full adoption of My Case is to enable you to delegate your access to others—a key requirement that you have raised to us during Phase 1. Over the coming months, we will be exploring this, and other functionalities such as expanding usage to claimants and appellants.

Registration to My Case will be open to all counsel not already subscribed. Over the coming weeks, invitations to register an account will be sent directly to counsel. Invitations will be sent by email, fax and mail. We strongly encourage you to take advantage of this new tool. For counsel who share our enthusiasm for the portal and would like to onboard early, please contact the My Case designated employees of your IRB regional office:

- [Western Region](#)
- [Central Region](#)
- [Eastern Region](#)

As we prepare to take this next step towards our expanded digitalization, I want to offer my sincere thanks for your support and advice on the introduction of our new processes and technologies. With the guidance you provide, we are well-positioned to ensure that these innovations respond to the short-term challenges posed by the pandemic and improve our operations and efficiency long-term.

Richard Wex  
Chairperson

You may be interested to explore this new resource for refugee claimants, "[Refugee Hearings During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)".

This page, found on the *READY for My Refugee Hearing* website, is available in English and French and provides a central location for claimants to access information about how the pandemic has affected the hearing process. The page is complete with illustrations of different types of hearings, Frequently Asked Questions inspired by regular questions from READY Tours, and links to some of the most recent IRB Practice Notices.

Please take a look at this page and share it with the claimants you support and your teams. If you have any feedback to make this resource more useful to refugee claimants please email [ready@refugeeclaim.ca](mailto:ready@refugeeclaim.ca).

This page is intended to be a living resource that can be updated and added to as needed.

Sophia Underhill  
Accessing Refugee Protection Coordinator



# English Conversation Groups



Also attached

Practice and improve your English conversation in a supportive setting. Learn common vocabulary and phrases used at work and in everyday life. *Registrants are encouraged to attend all 4 sessions.*

**Dates:** Tuesdays: Nov 3, 10, 17, 24

**Registration:** <http://bit.ly/BCSISRF>

236-333-8101 | [bcsis@success.bc.ca](mailto:bcsis@success.bc.ca)

[www.successbcsis.com/events](http://www.successbcsis.com/events)

*Interested in volunteering as a facilitator? Contact us for more info at [bcsis@success.bc.ca](mailto:bcsis@success.bc.ca)*

*Suitable for foreign workers, PNP nominees, refugee claimants and naturalized citizens.*

## SOUTH VANCOUVER NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE



The following programs are available on Zoom:

- ESL Conversation Group at 1-3pm Monday through Weds
- Multicultural Women Peer Mentoring Group @ 1-3pm on Friday
- Basic Computer Class in partnership with YMCA on Weds and Fri @ 10-12

**See details in the poster attached**

How to join a meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/3955979455>

(Password to the meeting room provided upon initial registration)

For further details or registration, pls. contact Kwangyoung (604)324-6212(Ext. 117) / [kwangyoung.conn@southvan.org](mailto:kwangyoung.conn@southvan.org)

# Public Health Project

## COVID 101 Workshop - Request Form

Also attached

### ➔ Summary

To promote health and well-being in our community and especially among our most vulnerable members, REACH is offering the COVID 101 Workshop which is an engaging, interactive, socially-distanced workshop with trained staff who will support participants in learning how to safely navigate to meet their basic needs during the pandemic. This project was developed out of community consultations and feedback from partners and community members expressing fear, anxiety and a lack of clear information about how to keep safe. Through providing Covid 101 Workshops, REACH strives to promote greater health equity in our community.

### ➔ Workshop Outline

The **COVID 101 Workshop** is a 90 minute presentation. We will work with you to determine how many people can attend while maintaining social distancing throughout. It covers a variety of topics relevant to participants and opportunities to have their worries/ questions about COVID-19 addressed. Workshop topics include:

- a. Disease Information – What is a coronavirus?
- b. Who is at higher risk? Symptoms to watch out for.
- c. Things they can do to manage risk. Why is social distancing important?
- d. PPEs – How do you put on a mask? Why is it helpful?

Each participant will receive a PPE kit with 2 washable masks, sanitizer, etc. to support safe practices in community navigation. **There is no cost for this workshop.**

### ➔ Interested in Hosting a Workshop? Please complete, scan and return this form to a contact.

Name of Org/ Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Participants: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Position at Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Approx. ages of participants: \_\_\_\_\_

#### CONTACT:

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Public Health Project Coordinator

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778-865-0844

OR

Faith Tang

Recreation Therapist

[FTang@reachcentre.bc.ca](mailto:FTang@reachcentre.bc.ca)

604-251-3000 ext 298

#### LOGISTICS:

Do you have a meeting suitable space for the workshop?

Are there any concerns or info regarding the participants that we need to know about?

We have access to a tent/ chairs/ table is needed. Please contact us to discuss this in detail.





## RISING OF THE DEAD CELEBRATED WITH LIFE BY MIGRANT WORKERS

Day of the Dead, or *Día de muertos*, offers the living an opportunity to share food, warmth and communion with loved ones who have passed on, including fellow workers who have died while working in Canada far from their homes and communities.

Vancouver ... Migrant workers will build and gather at an altar to share visits with loved ones who have died. Food, photos, conversations, drink and dance are provided by the living. The reunion with loved ones who have passed on only takes place once a year. This year's Day of the Dead celebration will honour three migrant farmworkers who died as a result of inadequate living and working conditions during the pandemic on Canadian farms, including Juan Lopez Chaparro, Bonifacio Eugenio Romero and Rogelio Muñoz Santos.

The altar will be built on Friday, October 30, outside the office of Dignidad Migrante Society, at 880 Malkin Avenue, Vancouver. According to tradition, first, children who have passed on will rise in the night to eat what is put on the altar on November 1st. Then the spirits of adults will rise to eat as well. This is when friends are invited to join with migrant workers to enjoy pozole, hot chocolate, *pan de muertos*, hot chocolate, or mezcal.

**When:** Sunday, November 1, 10 am-1pm.

**Where:** Outside the 'Dignidad Migrante' office, 880 Malkin Avenue, Vancouver, BC

On Monday, November 2nd the dead return to where they are living, taking whatever they need to eat during the year.

"This has been an anxious year for me," said Mauro Nava, who harvests blueberries and cranberries in BC fields. "I was so afraid to travel during the pandemic and leave my children in Mexico. But the sacrifice is necessary, it's how I provide for my family. *Día de muertos* is my connection with my loved ones."

"I feel so happy to be able to share with my relatives," added Mayra, a migrant farmworker from Langley. "The suffering of my family and loved ones takes a break on *Día de muertos*."

In spite of the fact that the COVID-19 pandemic has drawn attention to the critical role of migrant workers in Canada, infrequent government inspections and lax enforcement of safety regulations and labour standards remain a problem for migrant workers on many farms, resulting in unsafe working and living conditions. Migrant workers continue to put themselves at risk in order to produce food for Canadians and support their families at home.

For further information:

Pamela Gutierrez: 778-536-3419

Email: [pameladignidad@gmail.com](mailto:pameladignidad@gmail.com)

or

Victor Serrano: 604-754-3419

**When :** Sunday, November 1, 10 am-1pm.

**Where:** Outside the 'Dignidad Migrante' office,  
880 Malkin Avenue, Vancouver

Also attached



Conseil canadien pour les réfugiés  
Canadian Council for Refugees

CCR members are invited to participate in the public webinar (free of charge for members) organized in collaboration with [QuakeLab](#) on Thursday 5 Nov.

Webinar

**Your anti-racism training is doing harm.**

**Here's what you should be doing.**

November 5, 2-3:30PM, EDT

Canadian Council for Refugees  
Conseil canadien pour les réfugiés

and

QUAKE  
LAB

Sharon Nyangweso, founder and CEO of Quake Lab will talk about the impacts organizational trainings on anti-racism, inclusion, diversity have had.

Join this webinar to learn what your organization should be doing when creating and delivering a training on anti-racism.

For more information and to access the registration link, [visit our event's page](#). Please share this event in your networks, especially to non-member organizations you work with.

## MEETING DETAILS

**When:** Thursday 5 November 2020  
11am Pacific

The meeting will last 90 minutes. This meeting will be held in English, however simultaneous translation will be offered, and we ask that anglophone members please use this service to listen to interventions in French.

**Nov 5, 2020 9:00 - 11:00 am**

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:

**Cleaning**

Tom Zakeri, PEng, PMP, MBA  
General Manager SERVPRO of North Vancouver

**Construction:**

Ella Lindau - Outreach and Recruitment Coordinator - BC Infrastructure Benefits

**Security:**

Kia Coles - Human Resources  
Armour Security and Protection Services

Moderator: Tessa Vanderkoff

Chat Monitor: Anita Lal

Time: Nov 5, 2020 09:00 AM Pacific Time

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcpc-msqDkvGdcXLvfd6uzMo1zTarkS5x2K>

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

Please promote within your networks and clients.

***Ana Maria***

Ana Maria Bustamante, M.A. (She/her)

BIPT Coordinator





## Conseil canadien pour les réfugiés Canadian Council for Refugees

CCR members are invited to participate in a virtual meeting on Wednesday 18 November on recommendations to the CBSA to address issues of gender-based violence. The Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) is reviewing the immigration enforcement framework with a focus on the needs of victims of gender-based violence. The CCR has already made [submissions](#) on the problems - now we want to develop recommendations for changes in the areas of both policy and operations.

Join this meeting to contribute your ideas for how to reduce negative impacts for people experiencing gender-based violence.

### MEETING DETAILS

**When:** Wednesday 18 November 2020

11am Pacific

The meeting will last 60 minutes.

Register here: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0ocu2srz0tG9xqWIR23uvDLCs5l4aIWdXK>

UBC MIGRATION SPEAKER SERIES

# DOES CORRECTIVE INFORMATION CHANGE PUBLIC ATTITUDES TOWARD IMMIGRATION? EVIDENCE FROM A SURVEY EXPERIMENT IN CANADA

A VIRTUAL TALK BY:  
**DR. XIAOJUN LI**  
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR  
UBC POLITICAL SCIENCE



**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29**  
12:30 - 2:00 PM (PDT)

## ABSTRACT

A large body of literature has demonstrated that citizens remain highly misinformed about the number, origin, and other characteristics of immigrants in their countries. Can correcting such misinformation, including those driven by innumeracy, lead to attitudinal changes? This talk examines this question in Canada. Using a survey experiment with information treatments, I show that statistical innumeracy about immigrants is prevalent among the Canadian public. Correcting the size of the immigrants leads to more negative views toward immigrants among respondents that underestimated the number of new immigrants into Canada. However, correcting both the absolute and relative size of the immigrants does not worsen their views toward immigrants and improve their support for the government targets set for new immigrant. These findings point to the importance of contextualized corrective information in overcoming cognitive biases rooted in innumeracy-induced misinformation among the public.

**RSVP ONLINE:**

[ [migration.ubc.ca/events](https://migration.ubc.ca/events) ]

**RSVP [here \[migration.ubc.ca\]](https://migration.ubc.ca)** for the upcoming online talk by [Dr. Xiaojun Li \[politics.ubc.ca\]](https://politics.ubc.ca) (Associate Professor, UBC Political Science)

**Title:** "Does Corrective Information Change Public Attitudes toward Immigration? Evidence from a Survey Experiment in Canada"

**When:** Thursday, October 29, 2020

**Time:** 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. (Pacific Daylight Time)

[ **Abstract** ]: A large body of literature has demonstrated that citizens remain highly misinformed about the number, origin, and other characteristics of immigrants in their countries. Can correcting such misinformation, including those driven by innumeracy, lead to attitudinal changes? This talk examines this question in Canada. Using a survey experiment with information treatments, I show that statistical innumeracy about immigrants is prevalent among the Canadian public. Correcting the size of the immigrants leads to more negative views toward immigrants among respondents that underestimated the number of new immigrants into Canada. However, correcting both the absolute and relative size of the immigrants does not worsen their views toward immigrants and improve their support for the government targets set for new immigrant. These findings point to the importance of contextualized corrective information in overcoming cognitive biases rooted in innumeracy-induced misinformation among the public.

## General Employment Opportunities (updated weekly):

There are a number of job opportunities available – all information has been posted individually attached to this bulletin:

### **MOSAIC:**

- Coordinator, Employment Programs, Multiple Locations
- Employment Services Advisor, Employment Programs, Multiple locations
- Program Assistant, Employment Programs, Multiple locations

### **Burnaby Family Life:**

- Accounting Assistant
- Early Childhood Educator and Infant/Toddler Educator at Burnaby South Child Care Centre

### **Umbrella Multicultural Health Coop:**

- Administrative Assistant (temporary contract)

### **Simon Fraser University:**

- Personnel Advisor

## REPEATS



The next [READY Tour](#) will take place on **Wednesday November 4th, from 9:15-11:30am** and will be online on the Microsoft Teams platform.

Interpreters are available.

Please submit referrals through [www.refugeeclaim.ca](http://www.refugeeclaim.ca), or by emailing Sophia Underhill directly at [ready@refugeeclaim.ca](mailto:ready@refugeeclaim.ca). READY Tours

If you are a service provider and have never attended a READY Tour or would like to see how the online READY Tours are working, let me know! There are spots available to observe READY Tours."

Sophia Underhill  
Accessing Refugee Protection Coordinator  
M 604.328.3132  
T 604.255.9691

Also attached as a poster



## GRUPO PARA FAMILIAS LATINAS

Técnicas para Combatir el Estrés en Familia durante el COVID-19



¿Cuándo?

**El último Jueves de cada mes**

¿A Qué hora?

**10 am - 11:30 am**

¿Dónde?

**Via ZOOM**

¿Preguntas?

Comunicate al  
(778) 372-6593  
O

[Rosa.sevv@vch.ca](mailto:Rosa.sevv@vch.ca)

[matias.hacker@vast-vancouver.ca](mailto:matias.hacker@vast-vancouver.ca)

para recibir el **meeting ID** y unirte al grupo



**Aslam Bulbulia, Steve Tornes, and Mohamed Zaqout** are developing a for-profit co-op, focused on fostering justice and belonging through safer, inclusive, and more diverse work environments. This is a project by Solid State Communities Industries (<https://solidstate.coop/>). We are searching for 1-2 more new members.

The information provided also attached to this bulletin

For those interested, please send resume and letter of interest to: [aslam@solidstate.coop](mailto:aslam@solidstate.coop) by midnight on 26 Oct, 2020. Interviews will be conducted from 27-30 Oct with successful applicants joining as of 2 Nov. This co-op is based in Surrey and preference is given to Surrey residents, however anyone interested, should apply.

One of our goals for this Co-op is to increase access for refugees and BIPOC to employment and mentorship along with joining higher management.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.  
[mfzaqout@gmail.com](mailto:mfzaqout@gmail.com)

## Also attached

### Join our new co-op!

Are you interested in fostering justice and belonging through safer, inclusive, and more diverse work environments? Come join our for-profit co-op, a project of Solid State Industries, that will do this by working with organizations and individuals. We will conduct long-term demographic research, manage organizational change processes, and provide career support for marginalized employees, to create an environment where differences are valued through a culture of care.

#### Things we are looking for:

- A collaborative attitude
- Awesome to be around
- Lived experience with marginality
- Able to take initiative
- Comfortable with emergence and complexity
- Able to acknowledge the joy in anti-oppression work
- Available for a minimum of 8-10 hours per week at this stage

#### Bonus skills/interests:

- Data analysis
- Developmental evaluation
- Facilitation
- Organizational changes
- Career development/coaching
- Program management

#### What is a co-op?

Worker co-operatives are businesses that are owned and democratically controlled by its members. Learn more about co-ops in BC [here](#).

#### What is Solid State Industries?

Solid State was established in 2016 in Surrey, BC, to address the endemic economic immobilities of racialized young migrants, and the paucity of jobs, skills training and support readily available. With support from mentors, advisors, and community partners, young people obtain training and skills leading to stable, long-term economic growth, in particular through the formation of new co-operatives. Young people are introduced to different business models, and encouraged to consider co-operatives as an effective and durable way to provide stable employment. Learn more about Solid State Industries [here](#).

During this initial rapid phase of development we are looking for 1-2 team members who will be key to shaping the direction and priorities of the business. We are working on a fast timeline in order to start generating revenue for members as soon as possible. If interested, please send your resume and letter of interest to [aslam@solidstate.coop](mailto:aslam@solidstate.coop) by midnight on 26 Oct, 2020. Interviews will be conducted from 27-30 Oct with successful applicants joining as of 2 Nov. This co-op is based in Surrey and preference is given to Surrey residents.

We acknowledge that Solid State Industries gathers and does its work in a region south of the Fraser River which overlaps with the unceded traditional and ancestral lands of the Kwantlen, Musqueam, Katzie, Semiahmoo, Tsawwassen, Qayqayt and Kwikwetlem peoples.

## Have you experienced growth as a person while working with refugee populations?

**If you believe your work supporting them has had a positive impact on your personal well-being, you are invited to participate in a study exploring this experience.**

This thesis project explores the positive impacts of trauma work on your well-being while you work with the refugee populations.

Participants will be asked to engage in two online interviews (approximately 1½ to 2 hours) with the researcher. To thank you for your time, each participant will receive \$25 worth of gift cards.

To share your experience or learn more, please email Victor at [resilient.narrative@gmail.com](mailto:resilient.narrative@gmail.com)

## SUPPORTING THE SUPPORTER: EXPLORING WELL-BEING IN THE FACE OF VICARIOUS TRAUMA

### Highlights of Victor's research thesis.

1. I want to contribute to the search for untold stories among service providers who work with diverse refugee populations who have lived through trauma (e.g. Settlement service programs, Refugee Claimants Legal Clinic, Social work sector, etc.) who have received little attention and whose roles are important in today's world. I designed a collaborative community-based qualitative research that explores the positive effects of trauma work ("vicarious posttraumatic growth/vicarious resilience"). The primary idea is "supporting the supporters," to raise awareness for the alternative, positive narrative to vicarious traumatization narrative (a.k.a burnout/compassion fatigue) so that we can help sustain service providers who support the refugees/immigrants with a longer, more fulfilling career trajectory.
2. I am looking for participants who have 2+ years of experience providing professional settlement services to refugees. It is desired that one needs to be working with this population and offering either in-depth emotional support or some form of counselling. Exact criteria for recruitment will be available to management upon request.
3. In appreciation for the time they are volunteering to participate in this project, staff who choose to participate will receive gift cards from various sponsors.
4. I'm hoping to find **approximately 6-8 participants** who qualify for this project. There will be two interviews for each participant. Both interviews could last between 1½ to 2 hours, **all online** platform using Zoom



**5. Implications of research:** Professional development for the workers in this sector. Because refugees experienced a wide range of traumatic events and other settlement-related challenges, that impacts the work environment for everyone working with refugees to help them face many challenges. Therefore, people who work with refugees themselves face excessive workloads, burnout, vicarious trauma, shifting policy decisions. The implication of this research is to support settlement practitioners/case managers by listening to their narratives of successes and challenges, raise further awareness of the work they do within the research community, and support the refugees and refugee claimants in receiving quality services and support

**6. Timeline:** 1) Timeline for recruitment- If your agency decides to participate, then I will be ready to recruit participants in the period somewhere between the end of September and October.

2) Timeline for interviewing- For each person who chooses to participate in this project, I will set up a schedule for their involvement with the interviewing process, which will take approximately 4 -6 weeks.

**7. Research Question:** In what ways do settlement workers personally flourish as they work with refugees? How do settlement workers explore/understand/describe the positive impacts of their work differently than other helping practitioners?

8. I am seeking cooperation from your agency to recruit participants from the agency staff. For example, I am happy to provide posters, which can be placed in the workplace. I would also be happy to send an email invitation, which could be circulated to staff.

**Victor Lee, MA student, BSW, RSW**

Tel: 778-859-6650

Working with gratitude on the unceded traditional and ancestral lands of the Kwantlen, Musqueam, Katzie, Semiahmoo, and Tsawwassen peoples.

# CCR Fall Consultation: Registration is open!



We are really pleased to announce that the registration for our Fall Virtual Consultation is now open!

Event platform: **Pheedloop**

The registration button below will take you straight to the registration page, but do not hesitate to explore the other sections as you will find a lot of information about our event: a welcome, the fees, the sessions (with descriptions), about the CCR, bilingualism promotion, etc. Please note that we will be updating the event site as soon as we have confirmation from speakers with more detailed information.

## Registration Process

We have created a tips and tricks section on the registration page, and we ask that you take a couple of minutes to read it. But for now, here are two tips:

- someone other than the person attending the event can complete the registration (e.g. Office Manager, Accountant...) - the form will ask them to identify each participant (called "ticket" owner) when selecting the tickets;
- you can do group registration. For 10 or more participants, the price for members is reduced from \$75/person to \$50/person.

If you have any trouble or questions about this process, please email [consultation@ccrweb.ca](mailto:consultation@ccrweb.ca).

[REGISTER](#)

## Virtual event portal

Each ticket grants access to the virtual event portal (like a user account). This portal is unique to each participant and will be the place where you will need to log on to, to access the live sessions, to network...

If payment was made by credit card, you will receive the login details to this portal in your confirmation email.

If you chose another payment method, you will need to wait until your payment has been received and processed to receive these details by email.

When you have your login details, please take a moment to visit your portal and set up your participant's profile.

If you have any questions about your virtual event portal, please do not hesitate to email Alice at [aalpereyre@ccrweb.ca](mailto:aalpereyre@ccrweb.ca).

## BC Multiculturalism Grants 2020/21 – Now accepting applications (2 pages)

Dear community partners

The Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture is pleased to advise you that it is currently accepting applications for the **Multiculturalism Grant** program. The application period is open now through to November 30, 2020.

Registered non-profit and charitable organizations, as well as other public and private sector organizations working in partnership with a non-profit society, are invited to apply for grants to support activities across the Province that build intercultural interaction, trust and understanding, or challenge racism, hate and systemic barriers.

The Multiculturalism Grants Program has been adjusted to prioritize projects that address anti-Indigenous, anti-Asian, and anti-Black racism.

The following allocations are available:

- o **BIPOC Larger Grant Stream (\$300,000):**

Eligible organizations led by Black, Indigenous or people of colour (BIPOC) can apply for grants of up to \$10,000 for projects focused on the following priority themes:

§ **Anti-Indigenous Racism** § **Anti-Asian Racism** § **Anti-Black Racism**

- o **Regular Grant Stream (\$500,000):**

Any eligible organization can apply for grants of up to \$5,000 for projects that meet the traditional objectives of the program, with some preferential scoring in 2020/21 for projects focused on the following themes:

§ **BIPOC/LGBTQ2S+ Youth** § **BC150+ Inquiry** § **Resilience and Recovery Initiatives**



Please review the updated 2020-2021 guidelines before you apply at: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/multiculturalism-anti-racism/multiculturalism/multiculturalismgrants> [gov.bc.ca]

**A virtual information session on the Grant program this year is planned on November 10, 2020.**

For more information and to apply for the 2020-2021 BC Multiculturalism Grant, please visit: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/multiculturalism-anti-racism/multiculturalism/multiculturalismgrants> [gov.bc.ca]

**Applications will be accepted until 11:59 pm on November 30, 2020. PLEASE NOTE:** Applications must be submitted via the Ministry website indicated above in order to be considered. The Ministry cannot accept applications received by email, fax or mail.

Multiculturalism Branch - Ministry of Tourism, Arts & Culture / TAC Multiculturalism TAC:EX <[multiculturalism@gov.bc.ca](mailto:multiculturalism@gov.bc.ca)>