



MAP Multi-Agency
Partnership BC
Working Together for Refugee Claimants

MAP Member Agency News

MAP Bulletin # 132

June 15, 2022

WORLD REFUGEE DAY WEEK EDITION!

Dear MAP members,

How are you doing? Three years into the pandemic this question is even more important and one that MAP will focus on during the pandemic and the unrest caused by overt and covert racism - providing support through online MAP meetings. We will keep you up to date with any changes to refugee claimant services as they happen - and if you have information that you would like to share with MAP please email info@mapbc.org.

WORLD REFUGEE DAY IS HERE!

3 events organized for refugees and by refugees

See posters and all information inside and attached! See you there! <https://mapbc.org/world-refugee-day-celebrations-2022/>

Having difficulties with the IRCC portal?

Please provide your questions regarding the portal in advance of our MAP Meeting June 23 where a IRCC representative will be present to answer. Email questions to info@mapbc.org

IRCC has also provided us with these resources should you run into trouble:

Representatives can contact IRCC.ImmigrationRepresentatives-Representantsimmigration.IRCC@cic.gc.ca regarding the portal.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/application/application-forms-guides/guide-canadian-refugee-protection-portal.html#contact>

REGISTER FOR THE MAP MEETING NOW!

Thursday June 23, 9:30 am online

Agenda: Discussion about your experiences with the IRCC portal – and answers from IRCC

Presentation by CCR Quality of Services Project

REGISTER Here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAscOuorj4rH9ZndXBRcKvPpVMeHjGry1oS>

Thank you for all you are doing to support vulnerable refugee claimants

Jenny Lam, Thanh Lam - and the other Jenny!



a new belonging

WORLD REFUGEE DAY 2022

A New Belonging – Together

WORLD REFUGEE DAY 2022 UPDATES:

- **The Shoe Project at Vancouver Library, Alice McKay Room**
350 West Georgia St, Vancouver
5 amazing stories from around the world accompanied by Saeid on santoor.
 - TODAY!! at 7pm FREE
 - Register: [here](#)
- **June 20: Vancouver City Proclamation at Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House**
800 E Broadway, Vancouver
Music, food, friends and special speakers. (Partners: COV & Vancouver LIP)
 - Monday June 20, 12pm – 2pm FREE
 - Register via [Eventbrite](#)
- **June 20: Surrey event at Surrey Central Library**
Panel discussion, music, refreshments, door prizes, agency info (Partners: Surrey LIP)
 - Monday June 20, 4pm – 6pm
 - Bring the family!
 - Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/surrey-world-refugee-day-tickets-358939516757>

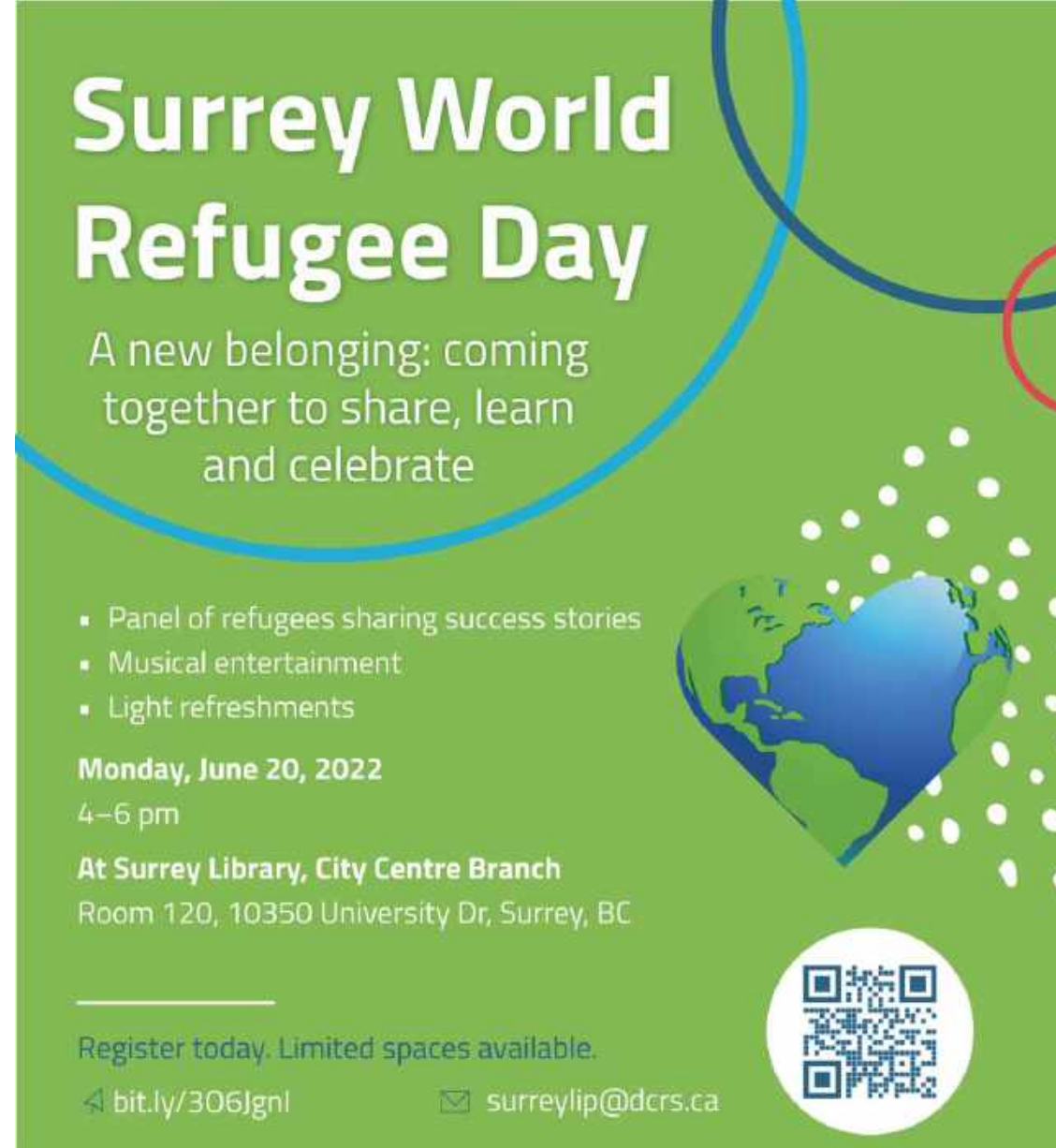


Surrey World Refugee Day Program

Join us at Surrey Central Library for:

- Keynote speaker – Saleem Spindari, Muslim Food Bank / Aspire
- Refugee Panel Discussion: different voices / different journeys and what they all have in common for us to appreciate
- Information about accessible agencies supporting refugees
- Mix and mingle with the community
- Traditional Latino music and dance
- Delicious samosas and other yummy refreshments
- Great door prizes (hold on to that number!)
- June 20, 4pm – 6pm FREE! [Register HERE](#)

Thank you to our partners: the Surrey LIP, our funders the Provincial Government, and to all MAP member agencies who have donated and helped plan the event and volunteer their time.



The poster features a green background with a blue and red circular graphic on the right side. A globe is positioned in the lower right quadrant. The text is white and green, providing details about the event.

Surrey World Refugee Day


A new belonging: coming together to share, learn and celebrate

- Panel of refugees sharing success stories
- Musical entertainment
- Light refreshments

Monday, June 20, 2022
4–6 pm

At Surrey Library, City Centre Branch
Room 120, 10350 University Dr, Surrey, BC

Register today. Limited spaces available.
👉 bit.ly/306Jgnl ✉ surreylip@dcrs.ca





World Refugee Day – together in person again!

In partnership with Vancouver Public Library MAP presents **‘The Shoe Project’**

TODAY, June 15 at 7pm (doors open 6:30pm) at the Central Library

5 stories of refugee women from around the world

Music by Saeid Kooshki – on santoor

Poster is attached – please display in your office and share with colleagues and friends

[**REGISTER**](#)

ANNOUNCING FOR MAP AGENCIES! WORLD REFUGEE DAY EVENT VANCOUVER!!

PROGRAM NOTES

- Refugees from a wide variety of backgrounds share their journeys and their successes
- Proclamation by Deputy Mayor, City of Vancouver
- Music on oud and other instruments
- Refreshments from Flavours of Hope
- Agency mix and mingle, information and support
- Host and emcee: Thanh Lam, MAP Co-chair and Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House

Be there to represent your agency and celebrate refugee talents and contributions

REGISTER at: <https://bit.ly/3zmyNjn>



Join us for
WORLD REFUGEE DAY CELEBRATION
Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House
800 E. Broadway
June 20 from 12-2PM

City of Vancouver Proclamation of World Refugee Day featuring stories and music from refugee speakers and artists!
Light refreshments will be served.
Admission is free!

Poster attached!

Register here: shorturl.at/tHQUY

Questions?
Contact tlam@mpnh.org

a new belonging
WORLD REFUGEE DAY 2022



Refugee Appeal Division (RAD) Information Session *Wednesday*

August 31st, 2022, 1:00pm-03:00pm

This is a free online orientation session for refugee claimants to learn about the refugee appeal process. Whether claimants are still waiting for their hearing date, waiting for the outcome of their hearing, or have received a negative decision, this session is for all refugee claimants at any stage of the process who would like to learn more about how to make an appeal.

Poster attached

Claimants will meet an officer of the Refugee Appeal Division (Immigration and Refugee Board) and have their questions answered:

- Who is eligible to appeal to the Refugee Appeal Division?
- What are the deadlines for filing an appeal?
- What do I need to do to file an appeal?

Register or refer now by emailing ***your name*** to masi@kinbrace.ca

*All refugee claimants as well as service providers are welcome to attend. If there are any questions or concerns, please let me know.



Refugee Appeal
Division (RAD)

INFORMATION SESSIONS

Next virtual session:

31 August 2022 • 1:00pm PST

A free orientation session for refugee claimants to learn about the refugee appeal process.

- Do you wonder what will happen if you receive a negative decision at your refugee hearing?
- Have you received a negative decision already?

This session is for all refugee claimants at any stage of the process who would like to learn more about how to make an appeal.

Meet an officer of the Refugee Appeal Division (Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada) and have your questions answered:

- Who is eligible to appeal to the Refugee Appeal Division?
- What are the deadlines for filing an appeal?
- What do I need to do to file an appeal?

Register now by emailing Masi Allahverdi:
masi@kinbrace.ca

Burnaby Neighbourhood House

Welcome to BC Orientations

(in Arabic, Dari, Farsi, Filipino, Mandarin, Spanish & Vietnamese),

Ongoing monthly

Poster attached

Settlement & Integration Program

Burnaby Neighbourhood House located on the traditional unceded territories of Coast Salish Nations



Welcome to BC - Orientations (in 1st language) for Newcomers

Language	Contact our Case Managers for registration	Orientation 1: General information on life, resources and systems in BC, dealing with stress of migration, etc.	Orientation 2: Federal & Provincial Benefits	Orientation 3: Money, budgeting, banking and Financial systems and tools
Arabic:	Karima Osman karimao@burnabynh.ca; C: 236-877-2517	1st Monday of each month 10am – 12pm	2nd Monday of each month 10am – 12pm	3rd Monday of each month 10am – 12pm
Mandarin:	Dali Qu daliq@burnabynh.ca; C: 236-877-2616	2nd Monday of each month 10am – 12pm	3rd Monday of each month 10 am – 12:00pm	3rd Monday of each month 10am – 12pm
Dari:	Arman Zamani armanz@burnabynh.ca; C: 604-657-2163	1st Friday of each month 1pm – 3pm	2nd Friday of each month 1pm – 3pm	2nd Friday of each month 1pm – 3pm
Farsi:	Maryam Torabizadeh maryamt@burnabynh.ca; C: 236-877-2531	1st Friday of each month 1pm – 3pm	2nd Friday of each month 1pm – 3pm	2nd Friday of each month 1pm – 3pm
Filipino:	Avelina Dioces avelinad@burnabynh.ca; C: 236-889-4065	2nd Thursday of each month 11am – 1pm	3rd Thursday of each month 11am – 1pm	3rd Thursdays of each month 11am – 1pm
Spanish:	Monica Tinajero Macarty monicam@burnabynh.ca; C: 236-878-9405	1st Thursday of each month 11am – 1pm	2nd Thursday of each month 11am – 1pm	3rd Thursday of each month 11am – 1pm
Vietnamese:	Duy Tong duyt@burnabynh.ca; C: 604-396-8955	1st Tuesday of each month 11am – 1pm	2nd Tuesday of each month 11am – 1pm	Every 3rd Tuesday of each month 11am – 1pm

www.burnabynh.ca

Burnaby Neighbourhood House is a community driven and community funded agency located on the unceded territories of the Tsil'it-Waututh (salikwatah), Kwikwetim (kwikwakaam), Squamish (Sikwaxw'mesh Unwukw) and Musquam (mwaq'wajam) Nations with a unique focus on neighbours supporting neighbours.

Burnaby Neighbourhood House

Photography Session for Newcomer Youth (in-person with a tour to the VanDusen Botanical Garden)

July 5th, 1pm – 3pm

Poster attached

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Photography Program For Newcomer Youth (12 - 18 years old)

IN-PERSON AT VAN DUSEN BOTANICAL GARDEN

JULY 5TH, 2022 1:00 - 3:00 PM

SPOTS ARE LIMITED!!



Do you like taking photos?

Take amazing photos by your cell phone or camera (let us know if you do not have one).

Do you enjoy being in the nature?

Join us for a fantastic adventurous day at the Van Dusen Botanical Garden.

Would you like to meet new friends?

Let's meet at the Burnaby Neighbourhood House at 4460 Beresford Street to go together to the garden.

What else to expect?

Bus tickets and entrance tickets are on us.
Snacks and refreshments will be provided for you.

Join us this summer break RIGHT AWAY!!!

For registration: email parisas@burnabynh.ca or call 236 878 6295

WWW.BURNABYNH.CA

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Burnaby Neighbourhood House

Enhance your job-hunting skills

July 7th, 14th, & 21st - for Chinese newcomers

Poster attached

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助力您的求職過程

幫您瞭解加拿大職場規則
提升您的職業競爭力
讓您在求職者中脫穎而出

Enhance your job hunting skills

求職技能中文講座

請掃描二維碼註冊報名



中文諮詢: 236-877-2616

時間: 周四晚 Thursday 7:00–8:30pm

7月7日 July 7th

— 簡歷和求職函寫作

Resume & Cover letter Writing

7月14日 July 14th

— 面試技巧 *Interview Techniques*

7月21日 July 21st

— 求職資源 *Job Resources*

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4460 Beresford Street
Burnaby, BC V5H 0B8
(In front of Metrotown Skytrain)
(604)431-0400



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Job Posting

Vietnamese Cross-Cultural Health Promoter

21 Hours per week with possibility of increasing hours to 31 hours per week.

General Responsibilities:

We are looking for a bright energetic person who has a love for programing and health promotion! The Cross-Cultural Health Promoter (CCHP) works with specific immigrant and refugee communities to enhance the well-being of community members through educational and prevention strategies, program development, and initiatives to reduce inequities in the social determinants of health. Working both independently and collaboratively with clients, staff, community partners, and volunteers, the CCHP acts as a bridge between cultures to facilitate the delivery of culturally relevant programs and services, employing adult education strategies, community development techniques, and research methodology.

Please see full job description and application process attached in WORD.

Burnaby Intercultural Planning Table and Burnaby Together – Coalition Against Racism presents:

Racism and Active Witnessing workshops (3) Virtual – poster attached

- June 22, 2022 6:00 -8:30 pm English with Arabic interpretation
- June 29, 2022 5:30 – 8:00 pm English with Farsi / Dari/Pashto interpretation
- July 6, 2022 5:30 – 8:00 pm English with Chinese interpretation

Break the Silence – Professional development for frontline workers – Virtual – poster attached

- July 13, 2022 10:00 – 12:30 pm English

¡Feliz día del padre!

La DIGNIDAD te invita a celebrar el día del padre con nosotros. Prestaremos **servicios**, habrá **baile, juegos, rifas, comida** y mucho más.

Lugar:

20701 Fraser Hwy, Langley
(enfrente de la iglesia San Joseph)

Fecha:

Sábado 18 de Junio, 2022

Hora:

6pm-11pm

Contáctanos:

778-791-3419 II 778-683-3419 II
604-754-3419 II Médico: 778-881-3419



Posters
attached for
sharing

¡Feliz día del padre!

La DIGNIDAD y Kelowna Community Resources te invitan a celebrar el día del padre con nosotros. Prestaremos **servicios**, habrá **baile, juegos, comida** y mucho más.

Lugar:

2363 Springfield Road, Kelowna
BC (Picnic shelter, Misión Creek
Park)

Fecha:

El Sábado 18 de Junio, 2022

Hora:

3pm-6pm

Contáctanos:

250-540-7141 II 778-791-3419 II 778-683-3419 II
604-754-3419 II Médico: 778-881-3419



¡Feliz día del padre!

La DIGNIDAD te invita a celebrar el día del padre con nosotros. Prestaremos **servicios**, habrá **baile, juegos, rifas, comida** y mucho más.

Lugar:

SENIOR CENTER: 5876 Airport
Street, Oliver, BC

Fecha:

Sábado 25 de Junio, 2022

Hora:

6pm-10pm

Contáctanos:

778-723-3419 II 250-408-8520 II
778-791-3419 II 778-683-3419 II
604-754-3419 II Médico: 778-881-3419



DIGNIDAD
MIGRANTE

IRCC local data to share:

Please see the reports in PDF attached – there is information pertaining to different classes of newcomers including Protected persons.

Notes: This information is not to be shared on websites

The city specific data should be taken with a grain of salt as it isn't necessarily where they land permanently.

Regional Immigration Report CRD 2021.pdf(~328 KB)

Regional Immigration Report GVRD 2021.pdf(~301 KB)

Regional Immigration Report LMSW 2021.pdf(~381 KB)

Regional Immigration Report Richmond 2021.pdf(~284 KB)

Regional Immigration Report Surrey 2021.pdf(~272 KB)

Regional Immigration Report Vancouver City 2021.pdf(~266 KB)

Regional Immigration Report BC 2021.pdf(~707 KB)

Regional Immigration Report Burnaby 2021.pdf(~270 KB)

Thanks to CCR for sharing this news in a useful way:

The House of Commons special committee on Afghanistan has released its report:

[Honouring Canada's Legacy in Afghanistan: Responding to the Humanitarian Crisis and Helping People Reach Safety](#)

A key recommendation related to immigration:

That the Government of Canada ensure that Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada creates an emergency mechanism ready to be deployed in the event of future humanitarian crises, which would allow the Minister to activate quickly, and according to need, various measures such as the lifting of biometric data requirements, the introduction of special visas, the establishment of refugee sponsorship programs, and the establishment of air gateways.

There are also a whole series of recommendations in the section on “Canada’s Refugee Resettlement Effort”

<https://www.ourcommons.ca/DocumentViewer/en/44-1/AFGH/report-1/page-84#18>



Canadian Council
for Refugees
Conseil canadien
pour les réfugiés

For CCR Members:

We are happy to share **an exciting new opportunity to best support you** in our collaborative work on the Quality of Services project (see [Project Summary](#))!

Following the meetings we have had with several of you and the feedback you have given us we understood that capacity is a concern for you and therefore, we are pleased to inform you that **the CCR will be supporting you and your organization in:**

- Developing specific policies for your organization, relating to the project priorities, that will strengthen the immigration and refugee services provided to your clients.
- Reviewing, revising and addressing the gaps in your organization's existing policies



You won't have to do this on your own! Partnering with us will allow your organization to benefit from the expertise and experience of the CCR and our broad community of organizations as you work to ensure that your organization has implemented policies and practices that will help you operate ethically.

For more information about how this will take form, **please have a read through our [explanatory document](#).**

Still have questions? Interested in partnering with the CCR?
Write to Basel Dakak, Quality of Services Project Coordinator, bdakak@ccrweb.ca.

Note! – June 23 MAP Meeting includes a presentation on this project from Basel Dakak



External Events – [read in your browser](#)

June 15 (*in-person*)

[A New Belonging: Stories to Celebrate World Refugee Day](#) You are welcome to join the Shoe Project team, MAP BC and Vancouver Public Library to celebrate World Refugee Day, featuring five women from Syria, Eritrea, Kurdistan, and Russia who will share their experiences on life before and after coming to Canada. Register [here](#).

June 20 (*in-person*)

[World Refugee Day Proclamation and Coming Together](#) Celebrate World Refugee Day at Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House, featuring a Proclamation by the City of Vancouver honouring World Refugee Day, speeches from refugee speakers, performances by musicians as well as food catered by local newcomer-owned businesses. Register [here](#).

June 26 (*virtual*)

[Goodbye Hello: Sharing Refugee Stories](#)

This virtual performance from Vancouver Playback Theatre will feature life experiences about being/supporting a refugee, the triumphs and challenges of settling in Canada, and other personal stories related to these themes. Register [here](#).

REPEATS



To mark World Refugee Day, **Metropolis CARES** (Coalition to Assist Refugee Entry and Settlement), an initiative of the **Metropolis Institute**, will be holding a webinar on **June 20, between 11:00 am and 2:15 pm (EST)**.

The webinar entitled ***Responding to the Afghan Refugee Crisis in the United States and Canada*** seeks to foster cooperation between policy-makers, researchers and civil society organizations in supporting best practices to address the needs of Afghan refugees in our two countries. The program includes a panel session and round table discussion on attitudes towards refugees in Canada and meeting the challenges encountered by Afghan refugees in the United States.

A [detailed PDF program](#) is posted on our website. For more information please visit www.metropolisconference.ca or contact metropolis@acs-aec.ca

[REGISTER HERE](#)



Frog Hollow

NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

Creating Our Community Together

See Froghollow This Month: [June 2022 edition](#)

Dedicated to seniors' services, seniors' issues and what Froghollow NH is doing

The 2022 Howard Adelman lecture was recently held on June 6, at the Centre for Refugee Studies with guest speaker Debbie Douglas, Executive Director of the Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants (OCASI)

Who Gets In: Musings on Race, Migration and Belonging

The recording is now available online: https://youtu.be/rQaf3uUI_iw

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Website: <https://www.yorku.ca/crs/>



Refugee Research Network

**- RRN Research Digest -
June 2, 2022**

[READ DIGEST ON RRN WEBSITE](#)

CERC In Migration and Integration - Connections Newsletter of the Toronto Metropolitan University

[Read online](#)



[CERC Migration launches new research tool designed to shed light on Canadian immigration policymaking during pandemic](#)