



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

# MAP Member Agency News

MAP Bulletin # 5

February 7, 2024

**Dear MAP members,**

*How are you doing?* 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](mailto:info@mapbc.org).

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## **MAP NEWS!**

Dear MAP members,

The MAP bulletin has been a lighter than usual lately as the current funding cycle is coming to a close and new programs will be starting up again in the Spring. Be sure to send us any program updates or events to share with the community in the meantime!

The next MAP meeting will take place on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at ISSofBC! Mark your calendars, an invitation will be sent in the coming weeks.

Our presentation will be on the Legal Aid Legal Navigators program. You don't want to miss this one!

*Thank you for all you are doing to support vulnerable refugee claimants*  
*Sara Lopez, Sireen El Nashar and Katya Avalos, MAP Executive*

## MORNING CHILD

**11 AM TO 1 PM**

- Film Screening - Elemental
- Entertainment
- Face Painting
- Coloring Tables

## AFTERNOON ADULT AND CHILD

**1 PM TO 5 PM**

- Land Recognition
- Wolf Pack Dance
- Afrobeats Dance
- Indigenous Short Film
- Speeches from Elected Officials
- Children's Show
- Sharing Immigration Experiences
- Raffle for Prizes

**WELCOME DAY  
PROGRAM**

Register Here!



**PDF ATTACHED**



La coopérative d'immigration

**Le Relais  
Francophone**

de la Colombie-Britannique

Le Relais Francophone is excited to inform you that we are organizing a Welcoming day event, at Surrey City Hall on February 10<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm.

This event promises to be a moment filled with excitement, a wonderful opportunity to connect with the community (We are expecting 200 people).

The attached poster details the program for the day.

We would be delighted to welcome everyone to our grand celebration.

Register for the event here:

[https://www.vivreencb.ca/activites/journee-daccueil-du-relais-francophone?lang=fr\\_CA](https://www.vivreencb.ca/activites/journee-daccueil-du-relais-francophone?lang=fr_CA)

Settlement workers play a vital role in providing comprehensive employment supports and current labor market information to newcomer clients. In this session, settlement staff will hear from Ministry of Labour speakers, who will share key updates on programs and policies that are relevant to newcomers.

Updates from the Ministry of Labour may include information on policies aimed at protecting Temporary Foreign Workers, the updated return-to-work requirements for injured workers, the recent increases to the minimum wage for farm workers, and the new rules to keep workers safe from the danger of asbestos. Updates may also include information on the new legislation designed to deliver improved working conditions and basic employment standards to “online platform workers”, identified as app-based ride-hail and food-delivery workers.

Following the presentation from the Ministry of Labour, there will be an opportunity for attendees to participate in a Q&A with the speakers.

## WHEN & WHERE

**Date:** Wednesday, February 28, 2024

**Time:** 10:00 am – 11:15 am PT

**Location:** Zoom Event - Details will be provided upon registration.



**Wednesday, February 28, 2024 | 10:00 am – 11:15 am PT**


In this Virtual Information Session, speakers from the Ministry of Labour will provide a comprehensive overview of key policy and program updates that are relevant to BCSIS settlement service providers.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

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BC SETTLEMENT AND INTEGRATION SERVICES  
**PRE-EMPLOYMENT SERIES**  
For Refugee Claimants



<p>THURSDAY FEBRUARY 1, 2024 10AM - 12PM</p>	<p>FRIDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2024 10AM - 12PM</p>	<p>THURSDAY FEBRUARY 8, 2024 10AM - 12PM</p>
<p>Introduction to services Overview of processes Roadmap to Employment</p>	<p>Emotional Wellness Online Digital Safety Job Search strategies &amp; Workplace Culture</p>	<p>Resume Building Do's and don'ts Building a resume to Canadian standard Interview skills</p>
<p>FRIDAY FEBRUARY 9, 2024 10AM - 12PM</p>	<p>FRIDAY FEBRUARY 23, 2024 9AM - 5:30PM</p>	
<p>Individual Mock Interviews Practice your interviewing skills!</p>	<p>Food Safe Training</p>	
<p> <b>10362 King George Blvd, Surrey, BC V3T 2W5</b></p>		<p><b>Registration &amp; enquiries</b> <b>Lesly Cruz</b> <a href="mailto:lesly.cruz@options.bc.ca">lesly.cruz@options.bc.ca</a> 604-809-7618 <b>Pooja Grover</b> <a href="mailto:pooja.grover@options.bc.ca">pooja.grover@options.bc.ca</a> 604.992.6161</p>

We gratefully acknowledge the financial support of the Province of British Columbia through the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.



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## Is the Canadian dream broken?

**New research investigates trends in equality of opportunity for racialized second generation**

**Feb. 21, 2024, 10 AM - 12 PM EST**  
**Hybrid**

**REGISTER HERE**

Join CERC Migration for a thought-provoking public event that delves into the socio-economic experiences of second-generation immigrants to understand social mobility in Canada. New research will be released on the education and employment experiences of successive birth cohorts from the 1960s to the 1990s, revealing how well the next generation of immigrant Canadians fare.

Following the presentation, a distinguished panel will consider policy implications, addressing questions such as: Do the divergent trends among minority groups require government attention beyond existing policies, and if so, what types of interventions may be effective?

Visit the [event webpage](#) for details.



# Refugee Research Network

**- RRN Research Digest -**

**Jan. 25, 2024**

[Read Digest on RRN website](#)

The RRN digest is issued bi-weekly to highlight the latest academic and non-academic resources on Refugees and forced migrants. We encourage readers to [email us](#) any articles, reports, or research related to refugee/forced migration studies to be considered in the forthcoming editions. Open-access versions are always a preference.