LIP FILE NUMBER:	S1439	922051		
LIP NAME/ COMMUNITY:	Quinte Local Immigration Partnership QLIP			
MONTH OF REPORT:	March 2015			
DATE OF LIP COUNCIL MEETING:		March 10, 2015		
MINUTES ATTACHED:		YES	5	X
NO, BUT WILL BE ATTACHED WITH NEXT MONTH'S REPORT				

LIP ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN THIS MONTH

- March 2015
- QLIP Partners, the City of Belleville and UNAC were planning and making arrangements for the April 16th 2015 Celebration Event the First Anniversary Event April 16 2015 celebrating the City of Belleville joining the Canadian Coalition of Municipalities Against Racism and Discrimination (CCMARD) in 2014 (as recommended by UNAC Quinte)
- March 2015
- QLIP attendance at the Bay of Quinte Living Council meetings
- QLIP Partners and QLIP Facilitator remain active in communications with "Bay of Quinte Living Council" ensuring a continued emphasis on the attraction and retention of newcomers for the Quinte Region

March 2015

- QLIP Partner Community Employment Services Loyalist College (CES) Employment Consultant met with six (6) newcomers for employment counselling.
- March 05 2014 employment counselling for one newcomer
- March 12 2014 employment counselling for two newcomers
- March 26 2014 employment counselling for three newcomers
- The Collaborative protocol between Quinte Immigration Services QUIS and QLIP Partner Community Employment Services CES continued in March of 2015 and <u>to date sixty-five (65)</u> <u>newcomers had received "one-on-one" employment counselling</u>

- March 2015
- QLIP Activity Report submitted for February 2015
- March 2015
- QLIP partnership meetings tentatively scheduled for May 12 and June 16 2015
- March 05 2015
- QLIP Partner Quinte Health Care QHC confirms Interpretation language guides for newcomers Patients and Medical staff
- Quinte Health Care QHC representative reported that on a recent tour the Emergency Rooms and inpatient floors that the language guides for newcomers clients/patients who do not have the necessary English language skills to work effectively with medical practitioners at QHC were posted in each of these areas and posted in the registration area at Belleville General Hospital BGH.
- March 10, 2015
- QLIP Partners held their partnership meeting on March 10 2015 in Quinte West maintaining the regional emphasis of the Partnership. The location was the Multi-purpose room at the Quinte West Municipal offices 7 Creswell Drive, Trenton, ON Ontario. This was the second QLIP meeting in Quinte West during the 2014/15 fiscal
- March 2015
- QLIP Activity Report submitted for February 2015
- March 30 2015
- QLIP Partner Quinte West Chamber of Commerce Suzanne Andrews did a phone interview with Quinte Broadcasting about the Magnet Launch within Eastern Ontario. In addition, a press release went out the previous week to see if any of the media would be interested in doing a follow up on Magnet, designed in part to address the underemployment an unemployment of youth and new immigrants.

LIP PARTNER ACTIVITIES, INITIATIVES AND DELIVERABLES

• **QLIP Partners remained active in the "Bay of Quinte Living Council"** ensuring a continued emphasis on the attraction and retention of newcomers for the Quinte Region.

- QLIP Partner, Quinte Health Care QHC confirmed that the language interpretation guides are in place following the Interpretation Services Protocol for Newcomer Patients
- Language interpretation guides are in place in the Emergency Rooms and inpatient floors and posted in the registration area at Belleville General Hospital BGH. These are for newcomer clients/patients who do not have the necessary English language skills to work effectively with medical practitioners at QHC.
- **QLIP Partners continued efforts to ensure a regional emphasis be maintained** by holding the QLIP partnership meeting on March 10 2015 in Quinte West in the Multi-purpose room at the Quinte West Municipal offices, 7 Creswell Drive, Trenton, ON Ontario.
- Highlights of the QLIP meeting included:
- New QLIP Partner representative David McAdams the new Human Resources Manager for Highline Mushrooms attended the meeting
- The Partners discussed possibilities for a mentorship program in relation to newcomers
- QLIP Strategy and Action Plan 2014 / 2015 / 2016 was reviewed.
- **QLIP Partners discussed a Magnet Presentation for Quinte Region for April 2015** in Belleville and its benefits in terms of addressing unemployment and underemployment, specifically as it relates to youth <u>and new immigrants</u>.
- **QLIP Partners discussed the Colour of Poverty Campaign Colour of Change** and the possibility of a presentation to the QLIP Partnership in Belleville in the coming months.
- QLIP Partnership Activity Report for February 2015 completed and submitted
- QLIP Partners planning for QLIP partnership meetings tentatively scheduled for May 12 and June 16 2015
- QLIP Meeting March 10 2015 Minutes completed and attached

LIP OUTCOMES ACHIEVED

- 1. MEETING SCHEDULE 1 OUTCOMES: Partners are engaged in newcomer settlement and implement strategies to address newcomers' needs
- Build potential for increased use of protocols that meet the needs of newcomers
- Strengthen labour market outcomes for newcomers to the Greater Quinte Area QLIP
- **QLIP Partner Community Employment Services Loyalist College (CES)** Employment Consultant met with six (6) newcomers for employment counselling at QUIS in March 2015.
- March 05 2014 employment counselling for one (1) newcomer
- March 12 2014 employment counselling for two (2) newcomers
- March 26 2014 employment counselling for three (3) new comers
- The Collaborative protocol between Quinte Immigration Services QUIS and QLIP Partner Community Employment Services CES continued in March of 2015 and <u>to date sixty-five (65)</u> <u>newcomers had received "one-on-one" employment counselling</u>

- 2. MEETING SCHEDULE 1 OUTCOMES: Partners are engaged in newcomer settlement and implement strategies to address newcomers' needs
- Build potential for increased use of protocols that meet the needs of newcomers
- Strengthen labour market outcomes for newcomers to the Greater Quinte Area
- **QLIP Partners promoted a Magnet Presentation** <u>www.magnet.today</u> for Quinte Region to be held in April 2015 in Belleville on the benefits of this new technology to address unemployment and underemployment, specifically as it relates to youth <u>and new immigrants</u>.
- 3. MEETING SCHEDULE 1 OUTCOMES: Partners are engaged in newcomer settlement and implement strategies to address newcomers' needs
- Activity that promoted a welcoming community
- Strengthen labour market outcomes for newcomers to the Greater Quinte Area
- **QLIP Partners continued their promotion of the three new young professional's networks** to encourage newcomer involvement and this was raised at the March 10 2015 QLIP meeting.
- These include Brighton-Cramahe Young Professionals, Quinte Young Professionals and Belleville's Emerging Leaders.
- 4. MEETING SCHEDULE 1 OUTCOMES: Canadians provide a welcoming community to facilitate the full participation of newcomers
- Sustaining partnerships at the community level
- Activity that promoted a welcoming community
- QLIP Partner Quinte Health Care QHC confirms Interpretation Services Protocol for Newcomer Patients is operational
- Quinte Health Care QHC representative reported that the Emergency Rooms and inpatient floors have posted language interpretation guides for newcomer clients/patients who do not have the necessary English language skills to work effectively with medical practitioners.
- In addition a language interpretation guide is posted in the registration area at Belleville General Hospital BGH.
- 5. MEETING SCHEDULE 1 OUTCOMES: Canadians provide a welcoming community to facilitate the full participation of newcomers
- Activity that promoted a welcoming community
- Sustaining partnerships at the community level
- In March the QLIP Partners, the City of Belleville and UNAC were in the planning mode making the arrangements for the April 16th 2015 Celebration Event - the First Anniversary Event April 16 2015 celebrating the City of Belleville joining the Canadian Coalition of Municipalities Against Racism and Discrimination (CCMARD) in 2014 (as recommended by UNAC Quinte)
- This event brings newcomers and the community together for a great celebration and is covered by the press, and QLIP Partner TVCOGECO will this year employ two camera operators for the event video to be broadcast to the public on cable.

- 6. MEETING SCHEDULE 1 OUTCOMES: Canadians provide a welcoming community to facilitate the full participation of newcomers
- Sustaining partnerships at the community level
- Activity that promoted a welcoming community (and strengthen local awareness)
- **QLIP Partner, the "Bay of Quinte Living Council"** QLIP Partners are involved in the Council reinforcing a welcoming community for newcomers and promoting the Quinte Region as a place for newcomers.

FOLLOW UP

CONTINUED & ONGOING FOLLOW UP:

- ONGOING FOLLOW UP: In March 2015 the QLIP Partners, the City of Belleville and United Nations Association in Canada – UNAC Quinte continued their planning for the first anniversary event for the City of Belleville that in 2014 joining the Canadian Coalition of Municipalities Against Racism and Discrimination (CCMARD) - Celebratory events are scheduled for <u>Thursday April 16 2015</u>
- QLIP Partners have been allocated a QLIP Table for 10
- In addition many other QLIP Partners in the Quinte Region have been provided reserved tables for this important community event including:
- Loyola School of Continuing Education (so their ESL newcomer students and teachers have access to the event)
- The Hastings and Prince Edward County School Board
- Quinte Immigration Services
- Belleville Police Services
- CONTINUED & ONGOING FOLLOW UP: QLIP Partners and the QLIP Facilitator continue communication and participation in the meetings of the "Bay of Quinte Living Council"
- The "Council" forms an important aspect of the commitment within the Quinte Region in terms of immigration and attracting newcomers to the area.
- CONTINUED & ONGOING FOLLOW UP: QLIP partners meeting on March 10, 2015 held in Quinte West was successful, and planning continued for the tentative QLIP meetings for May 12 and June 16 2015.
- **ONGOING FOLLOW UP:** QLIP Partnership continues to explore the prospect of interviews and focus groups with newcomers.

- ONGOING FOLLOW UP: QLIP Partner, TVCOGECO anticipated initiatives that relate to video productions on the topics of newcomers and their success in the Quinte Region and/or their experiences within the community were discussed by the Partners at March 10 2015 QLIP meetings in relation to prospects for 2015/16.
- **ONGOING FOLLOW UP: The Colour of Poverty campaign** and the need for disaggregated data was discussed at the March 10 2015 QLIP meeting and will be pursued including the possibility of a presentation to the QLIP Partners in relation to data collection and newcomers in the Quinte Region.
- ONGOING FOLLOW UP: Mentoring/Networking initiative for newcomers discussed at the March QLIP meeting will be pursued in order to foster increased success for newcomers and strengthen labour market outcomes.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ACTIVITIES REQUIRING CIC PRE-APPROVAL PER SCHEDULE 1 AND SCHEDULE 4 TERMS AND CONDITIONS MUST BE E-MAILED IN ADVANCE TO THE OFFICER.

ACTIVITIES THAT WERE PRE-APPROVED BY CIC

• N/A

OTHER COMMENTS

• N/A

NEXT LIP COUNCIL MEETING: May 12, 2015

Next QLIP Meeting details:

Date:Tuesday, May 12, 2015Time:10:00 a.m. to 12 noonLocation:To be determined

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