

QUINTE LOCAL IMMIGRATION PARTNERSHIP

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Minutes of the meeting 05 October 2017

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| MEETING : | Quinte Local Immigration Partnership www.quintelip.ca |
| LOCATION | Belleville City Hall, Sir Mackenzie Bowell (SMB) Meeting Room 3rd floor, 169 Front Street, Belleville, Ontario (10:00 a.m. to 12 noon) |
| PROJECT COORDINATOR ADMINISTRATOR /FACILITATOR | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John L. Robertson - Project Coordinator – Quinte Local Immigration Partnership - Email: lip@quinteimmigration.ca • Orlando Ferro – QLIP Administrator / Facilitator - Executive Director – Quinte Immigration Services QUIS - Email: oferro@quinteimmigration.ca |
| NOTE TAKER | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John L. Robertson – QLIP Project Coordinator |
| ATTENDEES | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paul Osborne - President - Board of Directors - Quinte Immigration Services • Barbara Dick - TESL Kingston - Teachers of English as a Second Language Kingston • Meghan Beatty – Resource, Support and CEOTIS Coordinator Quinte Immigration Services QUIS • Chantale Blanchette - Project Officer - Francophone Immigration Support Network of East Ontario • Trevor Pross - Chief Executive Officer - Belleville Public Library and John M. Parrott Art Gallery • Dino Marchiori - Manager, Employment and Financial Assistance Services • Dr. Aruna Alexander - UNAC United Nations Association Canada - Quinte Branch. City of Belleville Inclusion Committee. • Joanne Leith - Employment Consultant - Community Employment Services Loyalist College • Trevor Crowe - Community Development Coordinator - Corporation of the County of Prince Edward • Alison Davies - SBC Manager & Business Advisor - Small Business Centre • Mary Doyle - StartUp Bay of Quinte • Brad Labadie - Executive Director East Central Ontario Training Board ECOTB • Christine Durant - Director, Poverty Roundtable Hastings Prince Edward, PRT |

Agenda topics

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| DISCUSSION | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductions and opening remarks |
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- **Acknowledgement** - Special appreciation to Karen Post - Manager of Economic and Strategic Initiatives - City of Belleville and the City of Belleville for their provision of the Sir Mackenzie Bowell Meeting Room at Belleville City Hall.
- **Poverty Roundtable Hastings Prince Edward, PRT**
- Christine Durant - Director, Poverty Roundtable Hastings Prince Edward, PRT provided a PowerPoint presentation on the PRT research and two handouts: "10: A Guide for Businesses Reducing Poverty" and "Creating Community – A Tool for Engagement", available at the links below:
Link: <http://povertyroundtablehpe.ca>
- Resources from the meeting:
- 10: A GUIDE FOR BUSINESSES REDUCING POVERTY is available for download from the Tamarack Institute at:
- <http://www.tamarackcommunity.ca/library/ten-2017>
- "Creating Community – A Tool For Engagement" available at the PRT website and the link below:
- http://povertyroundtablehpe.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/CreatingCommunityAToolForEngagement2017_2.pdf
- **CEOTIS** - Meghan Beatty - CEOTIS Coordinator - Translation & Interpretation Services, provided a briefing on the Interpretation and translation services available to the Quinte region through the Central Easter Ontario Translation and Interpretation Service located at Quinte Immigration Services QUIS.
Link: <http://www.ceotis.ca>
- **Belleville Inclusion Committee (BIC)**
- Dr. Aruna Alexander - UNAC Quinte - Belleville Inclusion Committee (BIC) provided an update on the BIC and provided the new logo BIC which was adopted through a contest with local schools and the winning submission was designed by a Grade 7 student at Harry J. Clarke Public School. Link to news story:
- <https://www.insidebelleville.com/news-story/7309969-grade-7-student-s-image-to-become-new-logo-for-city-inclusion-committee/>
- The BIC plans include a celebration in the spring welcoming newcomers to the Quinte region.
- In the New Year there will be a celebration to mark the anniversary of Belleville joining the Canadian Coalition of Municipalities Against Racism and Discrimination and the signing of the Declaration Against Racism and Discrimination.
- **"Welcome International Students" Event**
- The School Boards, Loyalist College and Albert College will hold an event again this year at Albert College to welcome the hundreds of international students that come to study in the Quinte region, on October 11, 2017 at 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Albert College.
- **Belleville Public Library** - Trevor Pross - CEO Belleville Public Library & John M. Parrott Art Gallery
- The libraries are promoting legal resources for the communities they serve through the promotion of "Public legal education and legal referrals"
- Our Libraries form a large network with 300 library systems in Ontario and more branch locations than any other government or business group and they are promoting legal resources for the communities they serve:
- Steps to Justice - www.stepstojustice.ca
With step-by-step information about legal problems that is reliable, practical, and easy to understand.
- CALC: Community Advocacy Legal Centre for Hastings, Prince Edward and Lennox and Addington
<http://www.communitylegalcentre.ca/default.htm>
- CLEO: Community Legal Education Ontario <http://www.cleo.on.ca/en>
- Your legal rights.ca <http://yourlegalrights.on.ca/>

- **Community Volunteer Income Tax Program CVITP (program used by newcomers)** A Guide for Community Organizations and agencies interested in hosting the program were provided the information and contacts to setup clinics on site.
- **FFTW Farmers Feed The World – Update** - Quinte Immigration Services QUIS is providing presentations and will move into its next phase of the pilot project that provides information to support the transition to agricultural employment and Agra-industry employment for Syrian newcomers.
- **Francophone Immigration Support Network of East Ontario** Project Officer, Chantale Blanchette will be represented at the National Job Fair (NJF) is part of the largest annual gathering of the year in the field of recruitment in Canada on October 12 and 13, 2017, at Place Bonaventure, Montreal. A record number of nearly 190 companies will exhibit at the largest recruitment event of the year in Greater Montreal and one of the most important of its kind in Canada.
- **Open agenda** – round table discussions and wrap up
- Upcoming proposed QLIP Meetings (10 a.m. to 12 noon)
- **November 02, 2017** (Thursday) Belleville Public Library and John M. Parrott Art Gallery
- November 29, 2017 (Wednesday) Belleville City Hall SMB Meeting room 3rd floor
- January 10, 2018 (Wednesday) Quinte West Multipurpose Room Municipal Offices
- February 14 2018 (Wednesday) Highland Shores Children’s Aid CAS Boardroom Belleville
- Mar 21, 2018 (Wednesday) Belleville City Hall SMB Meeting room 3rd floor

| NEXT MEETING | LOCATION | TIME |
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| November 02, 2017 (Thursday) | Belleville Public Library and John M. Parrott Art Gallery, 3rd floor meeting room, 254 Pinnacle Street, Belleville, Ontario | 10 a.m. to 12 noon |