

Office of Immigration and Multiculturalism

Newfoundland and Labrador Settlement and Integration Program, Small Grants, and Multiculturalism Grants Programs

The Office of Immigration and Multiculturalism has supported the following projects through the provision of grants and contributions.

2016-2017

Proponent: Association for New Canadians

Initiative: Workforce and Language Connections Program

Value: \$125,700.00

Summary: 1) Workforce Connections - This Program included three components: an Employment Development Coordinator, Industry Liaise and an e-Employment Tool. This is designed to address the unique challenges and provide practical solutions to meet the needs of immigrant workers including Provincial Nominees, International Students, Federal Skilled Workers, Internationally Educated Health Professionals, and their families seeking first time employment as well as access and linkages to career advancement throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. 2) Language Connections - In order to improve the English language proficiency of individuals nominated through the Provincial Nominee Program, and to facilitate successful labour market attachment, the Association delivered a pre-employment focused ESL Program consisting of:

- Beginner ESL Evening Classes
- Intermediate/Advanced ESL classes
- Pronunciation ESL Evening Classes
- Workplace Computer Skills
- Weekend ESL Classes for Spouses of International Students
- Outreach ESL Language Services

Proponent: Sharing Our Cultures Inc.

Initiative: Sharing Our Cultures

Value: \$10,000.00

Summary: Sharing Our Cultures organizes weekly meetings and workshops with newcomer school youth to facilitate life skills development and friendships in collaboration with mainstream youth. This initiative culminates in the Sharing Our Cultures Event held at The Rooms.

Proponent: Association for New Canadians

Initiative: Multiculturalism Week 2017

Value: \$2,500.00

Summary: *Global Tour* - ANC clients hosted a series of information booths showcasing their particular culture and/or country of origin. *Newcomer Youth Video Project* - As part of the celebration, newcomer youth attending schools throughout the SJCMA took part in a video project designed to explore their settlement and integration experiences. *"#WelcomeHomeNL" Poster Series* - This activity included the development and distribution of a series of posters highlighting stories of newcomer integration in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Proponent: Association for New Canadians

Initiative: Refugee Photo Project

Value: \$500.00

Summary: The ANC hosted a photo exhibition to provide the public with the opportunity to learn about the experiences of refugees while raising awareness/initiating dialogue. There was also a provision of educational workshops and hands-on demonstrations conducted by professional photographers.

Proponent: Federation des Francophones de Terre-Neuve et du Labrador

Initiative: Destination Canada

Value: \$1,700.00

Summary: Funding was provided to the FFTNL to continue to promote immigration to better position our province to international francophones; to support the Provincial Government and employers in the province in their goal to recruit new francophone workers; and, maintain international partnerships and create new ones.

Proponent: Federation des Francophones de Terre-Neuve et du Labrador

Initiative: Provincial Francophonie Day

Value: \$800.00

Summary: Funding was provided to demonstrate support of the province to our francophone community by providing an opportunity for all francophones to celebrate their language and culture.

Proponent: Town of Harbour Grace

Initiative: Multiculturalism Meet and Greet

Value: \$525.00

Summary: Funding was provided to host a "Meet and Greet" to allow families to feel welcomed to the community, and provide an opportunity for cross cultural engagement. This event brought together both newcomers and locals for a meet and greet evening at the SPLASH Centre.

Proponent: Town of Gillams

Initiative: Multiculturalism Week Event

Value: \$200.00

Summary: The Town of Gillams hosted a Multiculturalism event aimed at providing children of the community with the opportunity to learn about different cultures. This day included awareness building through games, movies, and food.

Proponent: Rabbittown Community Centre

Initiative: Celebrating the Many Cultures of Our Community

Value: \$400.00

Summary: Rabbittown Community hosted a Celebrating the many Cultures of our Community event. This event highlighted the different Cultures in the community through food, music, and information sessions throughout the center with the goal of promoting the Rabbittown Community as a friendly multicultural community center, and to bring a better understanding of the diversity of the community.

Proponent: Town of Carbonear

Initiative: Multiculturalism Meet and Greet

Value: \$500.00

Summary: This event brought together both newcomers and locals for a meet and greet evening. The Mayor and Council brought greetings to attendees during the evening celebration which involved multicultural food, music, and clothing.

Proponent: Grenfell University

Initiative: Multiculturalism Week 2017

Value: \$1,500.00

Summary: Funding was provided for rental space at the Arts and Culture Centre to host several programs open to Corner Brook and the surrounding communities to continue to drive multiculturalism and celebrate the diversity of the area.