

IMMIGRANT ADVISORY ROUNDTABLE APPLICATION



The Surrey Local Immigration Partnership is looking for immigrants and refugees interested in joining its Immigrant Advisory Roundtable. This is a unique opportunity to participate in the initiative that aims to build a truly welcoming and inclusive Surrey.

ABOUT SURREY LIP

The Surrey LIP is comprised of over 32 member organizations representing a variety of sectors in the community including, municipal government, RCMP, immigrant serving agencies, the health authority, education and business. The members of the Partnership are working together to identify the gaps in immigrant and refugee settlement services and opportunities for collaboration.

Over the last four years, the Surrey LIP has worked on the development of the Surrey Immigrant and Refugee Integration Strategies. Over 1,000 residents have participated in developing them. More information: www.SurreyLIP.ca

ABOUT SURREY LIP IMMIGRANT ADVISORY ROUNDTABLE

Surrey LIP is committed to a community-based leadership and governance model in which immigrants are not only participating in consultations but are actively involved in the decision making, planning & Strategy implementation processes. The Surrey Immigrant Advisory Roundtable was formed in January 2015 and it is currently composed of 15 returning members who have been actively involved in the work of Surrey LIP (organizing welcoming events, applying for funding, doing community presentation, advising on Surrey LIP and City's processes). The main objectives of the group are as follows:

- Provide support in the implementation of two Strategies: Surrey Immigrant and Refugee Integration Strategies
- Increase awareness of and engagement in cultural diversity in Surrey
- Act as Cultural Ambassadors to the Surrey LIP and assist with the outreach to ethno-specific communities in Surrey

To read more about the IAR current work and its members please visit: <http://surreylip.ca/immigrant-advisory-round-table>

SELECTION CRITERIA

The Surrey LIP is looking for FIVE (5) additional members who:

- Are immigrants or refugees living and/or working in Surrey
- Represent the diversity of Surrey (a range of countries of origin, length of time in Canada, immigration status, age, gender, occupational/educational backgrounds, etc.)
- Have experience, knowledge and, abilities related to immigration integration, community development or civic engagement,
- Can commit sufficient time to be active volunteers of the group, and
- Are non-partisan

Members will be appointed for a period of 12 months (July 2018 - July 2019; the term might be extended) and will be expected to meet at least 6 times a year (all meetings are held after 5:30pm). Additionally, members are expected to spend at least additional 8 hours a month to communicate via emails, champion activities and attend other meetings, if needed.

If you have a specific question about the Immigrant Advisory Roundtable, please contact the Surrey LIP Project Coordinator, Olga Shcherbyna, via email at oshcherbyna@surrey.ca or by phone at 604-592-7059.

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There are five (5) seats available for new IAR members. To apply to become a member of the Surrey LIP's Immigrant Advisory Roundtable, please complete this application form by June 27, 2018 and email it at oshcherbyna@surrey.ca or drop it off at Surrey City Hall, attention to Olga Shcherbyna, Surrey LIP, Planning & Development Department.

CONTACT INFORMATION

First Name						Last Name
Age Range	19-30	31-42	43-54	55-66	67-78	78+
Street Address						
City				Province	Postal Code	
Home Phone				Mobile Phone		
Work Phone				E-Mail Address		

AVAILABILITY

When are you available?

Weekday mornings Weekday afternoons Weekday evenings Other time

REFERRED BY:

How did you hear about the Surrey Local Immigration Partnership's (LIP) Immigrant Advisory Roundtable?

CITIZENSHIP AND LANGUAGE

Country of Origin _____ Home Language _____

Other Languages _____

Date of Arrival in Canada _____ How long have you lived/worked in Surrey? _____

Immigration status: Canadian Citizen Permanent Resident Other

ENGLISH LEVEL

<input type="checkbox"/> Beginner	<input type="checkbox"/> Lower Intermediate	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male	
<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate	<input type="checkbox"/> Upper Intermediate		<input type="checkbox"/> Female
<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	<input type="checkbox"/> Fluent/Native English Speaker		<input type="checkbox"/> NA

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

<input type="checkbox"/> No certificate, diploma or degree	<input type="checkbox"/> High school certificate or equivalent
<input type="checkbox"/> College or other non-university certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> University certificate under bachelor
<input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor degree	<input type="checkbox"/> Master degree and above

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND / CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

What is your profession / occupation?

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Are you currently employed? ___ Yes ___ No If yes: ___ Part -time ___ Full -time

What is your current occupation/ job? _____

PERSONAL

A. Why are you interested in becoming a Surrey LIP Immigrant Advisory Council member?

B. Please describe your knowledge and experience related to supporting immigrant integration, community development or civic engagement experiences? For example, a membership in other committees /organizations, mentoring / working with immigrants, participating in programs aimed to build inclusive communities, etc.

C. How will participation in this Advisory help you to reach your personal and professional goals?

D. Why should you be selected as an Advisory Council member? What strengths / skills do you have that make you a good Advisory member? For example, *you are well-connected in your community and will be able to assist with the outreach, etc.*

E. What would you like to achieve as a member of the IAR? e.g. long-term: your vision for inclusive Surrey; short-term: your personal aspirations

AGREEMENT AND SIGNATURE

Name (printed)		Date:
Signature		(DD/MM/YY)