



BLACK CREEK NEWCOMER NEWS

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What is Black Creek LIP?

There are 17 LIPs—Local Immigration Partnerships—across the City of Toronto. Our LIP is a gathering of social service organizations, education professionals, settlement workers and newcomers, dedicated to helping new immigrants feel at home in the Black Creek community. We know coming to a new country is hard, so we want to make it as simple as possible to get the information and resources newcomers need to make their experience in the Black Creek community a healthy and happy one.

What you told us

In focus groups held in 2010,

Announcements

Upcoming Events

A community meeting will be held in April to share a settlement strategy and action plan with Black Creek residents and settlement stakeholders.

Budget Cuts

Reduction in funding for settlement services will

newcomers and professionals helping newcomers to the Black Creek community identified the following general needs in three areas:

Language & Training

- ◇ Language as a barrier to accessing services, housing and employment

Employment

- ◇ Need to find well-paying jobs, and validate foreign credentials

Welcoming Communities

- ◇ Need general information about clothes, food, housing & healthcare
- ◇ Newcomers are

looking for better coordination between social service agencies

- ◇ Need for accessible English language services, and services provided in a variety of languages

Going Forward...

The Black Creek LIP is planning a strategy to bring together social service agencies to address these needs. Our next issue will have more information about the strategy.

Next Issue

Look for our next issue at the beginning of April.

Looking for Services?

Call 211 or visit www.blackcreekcapacity.ca/BCCconnect for a list of services in the Black Creek area

Contact us!

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