



St John's LIP June 2025 Newsletter

The St. John's Local Immigration Partnership is a broad-based partnership designed to support the well-being and participation of newcomers in all aspects of life in the city, as well as to strengthen the city's ability to integrate newcomer needs into municipal planning processes. The St. John's LIP is co-led by the City of St. John's and the Association for New Canadians and funded by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada.

ST. JOHN'S

City Of St. John's Updates

Opening September 2025



New H.G.R. Mews Community Centre

We are pleased to share that the new H.G.R. Mews Community Centre will open to the public in September 2025. A September opening will help minimize disruption to existing recreation programs and allow time for staff to undergo training and finalize logistical preparations to ensure a smooth and successful transition to the new facility.

Further details, including specific dates, opening events and transitional information, will be shared as we get closer to September. The City has created a new webpage to share transitional information, facility features and more

[Learn More](#)



Call For Artists

Applications are now open for the 2025 Traffic Box Art Program. We are looking for visual artists to help transform traffic signal boxes into vibrant works of art. Selected artists will receive a \$500 honorarium to create original designs that brighten our streets, enhance neighbourhood character, and deter vandalism.

Apply by Friday, June 20.

[Apply Now](#)

Partner and Community: News and Updates



Vendor Expo

Support Local at the Upcoming Vendor Expo!

Celebrating local small business owners in St. John's and surrounding areas. From African prints to delicious food, drinks, and unique handmade goods, this event is a great opportunity to discover and support diverse entrepreneurs in our community.

 Date: Saturday, July 5th, 12pm

📍 Location: 109 Blackmarsh Rd, A1E 1S6

Everyone is welcome — come out, explore, and shop local!

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR **JUNE 4-7, 2025**

LAWNYA VAWNYA 15

Panels! Music Crawl! Workshops!

ABSOLUTE LOSERS | ALBERT DALTON

ANDREW SMITH BAND | ANDY AND THE DANNYS

BEVERLY AND ELIZABETH GLENN-COPELAND

BOOK CLUB | BUS PEOPLE | CARTEL MADRAS

CELL DETH | CLEO LEIGH | DUREX

FRANKIE TEARDROP | FRAUD PERRY

HANGYOURHEAD | JULIANA RIOLINO

LAUGHING | LIFE CRISIS | LIFTKIT

LITTLE FAUNA | LIZ FAGAN BAND | MANTOURAGE

MARC MCLAUGHLIN | MARLEANA MOORE

MIESHA AND THE SPANKS | NANCY MUSIC | OVERLAND

PENNY & THE PITS | QUIN | RAD GUSHUE

RAT & RATT | SASHA CAY | SNITFIT

STEELE TOE | SWIMMING | TOPANGA

Readings! Films! More!

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EVER DEADLY | FOREIGNERZ | IRMA GERD | IWANT2BEONTV

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Lawnya Vawnya 15

LV 15 will host live multidisciplinary performances from both out-of-province and NL artists, a film screening, readings, workshops, panels, our merch and print fair, downtown music crawl, garage show, and so much more!

 Date: June 4th - 7th, 2025

[Learn More](#)



Family Movie Night

Every month at Geo we are hosting a special family movie night under the planets in our Reception Hall. Feel free to bring along blankets, pillows and snacks.

Tickets are \$5+HST

Popcorn and bottled water available for purchase.

June 25, 6:00pm: Moana

July 30, 6:00pm: WALL-E

[Learn More](#)



COMMUNITY SOCCER



SATURDAYS 10AM-12PM



7 RICKETTS ROAD

- OPEN TO ALL LEVELS
- ADULTS ONLY
- OFFERED IN ENGLISH & FRENCH
- WEEKLY REGISTRATION REQUIRED

REGISTER NOW!



Weekly Soccer Sessions

Whether you call it football, soccer, or “the game where I try not to trip over my own feet”, you’re officially invited to join our weekly soccer sessions, kicking off on May 24 from 10 AM to 12 PM at 7 Ricketts Rd!

Led by the one and only Coach Aldiouma Sidibé, these sessions are all about movement, connection, and fun—no experience required.

- ✓ A welcoming, supportive space (zero pressure to be Ronaldo)
- ✓ Skill-building, cardio, and a few laughs
- ✓ A chance to practice your English or French while playing
- ✓ Real community, and a lot of energy

📌 Weekly Registration Required! You can join as often as you like—just be sure to register for each session.

All adults welcome—no matter your gender, skill level, or preferred terminology (football, soccer, or footy... we've heard it all).

[Register](#)



Downtown Pedestrian Mall Latin Jam

Mark your calendars, for some upcoming Latin Dance Jam this summer right in the heart of downtown on the pedestrian mall.

On July 18 and August 15, 2025, there will be Latin dance classes hosted by Tendai Mudunge through his group Jabula Entertainment from 6-7pm. Each class will be followed by social dancing to your favourite bachata, salsa, merengue, kizomba and reggaeton songs...!!

These will be awesome events and open to everyone whether you're looking to learn something new, meet new people or trying a new way to work out...!!

What inspires us to do what we do is our burning desire to brighten those smiles on the dance floor...!!



Strengthening Newcomers Through Volunteer Experience



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NVOLVE

NEWCOMER
VOLUNTEERING

What is NVOLVE?

A program connecting newcomers in Newfoundland & Labrador with volunteer opportunities to gain experience, build networks, and give back to their communities.

OUR VISION



-  Community Empowerment
-  Inclusive Growth
-  Pathways to Participation

JOIN NOW

**ARE YOU
INTERESTED ?**

SCAN THE QR CODE



NVOLVE: Newcomer Volunteering

We're excited to launch **NVOLVE: Newcomer Volunteering**, a new initiative from CSCNL that supports newcomers in building networks, gaining valuable Canadian experience, and contributing meaningfully to their communities through volunteerism.

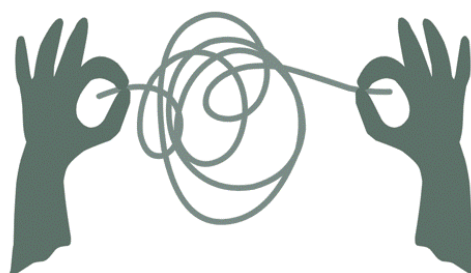
Whether you're looking to enhance your resume, practice English, or meet new people, volunteering can help open doors and create a sense of belonging.

Equity, inclusion, and lived experience are at the heart of NVOLVE. Your story matters—and your contributions are valued.

Know someone who might be interested? Share this opportunity and help build a more inclusive Newfoundland and Labrador.

Join NVOLVE

Managing Difficult and Sensitive Conversations



CMHANL Presentation: Managing Difficult and Sensitive Conversations

Join Amal Unite & Empower, in collaboration with the CMHANL, for a practical, skills-focused presentation on Navigating Difficult & Sensitive Conversations.

You'll learn:

- ✓ What makes certain conversations difficult—and how to prepare for them
- ✓ Strategies to manage emotions (yours and others') during sensitive discussions
- ✓ How to actively listen without taking on someone else's stress
- ✓ Clear communication techniques to avoid misunderstandings
- ✓ Ways to stay calm, kind, and clear—even when the topic is challenging

Wednesday, June 11th, 12 - 2pm NDT

It's free, it's virtual, and we'd love to have you there!

[Register](#)



Student Employment Job Fair

**June 4, 2025
3:00–5:00 p.m.**

Looking for a summer job
or part-time work?
Connect with local employers and explore job
opportunities, just in time for summer!

**Bring your resume
and make connections**
No resume, no problem...
we'll help you get job-ready!



Scan here to find an
Employment Centre near you

Student Employment Job Fair


Check out the Student Employment Job Fair on Wednesday, June 4. Visit anytime between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. at ALL 19 Employment Centres across Newfoundland and Labrador!

This is YOUR opportunity to meet with local employers and explore summer and part-time job opportunities!

Employment Centre staff will be available to help with your resume, job searching, youth entrepreneurship, apprenticeships, volunteerism and more.

To find an employment centre near you:

 Call 1-800-563-6600

 Visit <https://lnkd.in/dzYNFYGb>

Submit Your Events and Get Involved

Do you have an upcoming event the community should know about? Would you like us to highlight a successful program or initiative? Get in touch.

The St. John's LIP also has many opportunities for you to get involved.

Comprised of volunteers who participate through involvement in one of our three working groups: Welcoming + Wellness, Employment + Skilled Labour, and Education + Training we welcome your passion in these areas to help us uplift and empower our newcomer community.

Contact immigration@stjohns.ca for more information or to get involved.

Visit our Website

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