

St John's LIP July 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 is funded by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada.

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City Of St. John's Updates



Downtown Pedestrian Mall

The Downtown Pedestrian Mall will return on June 26 and run until September 1, 2025. Operating daily from noon until 10 p.m., Water Street from Adelaide Street to Prescott Street will once again transform into a bustling people-friendly zone.

Since its introduction in 2020, the Downtown Pedestrian Mall has grown into a beloved annual tradition that provides a safe and fun space for pedestrians to explore Downtown St. John's.

Highlights of this year's Downtown Pedestrian Mall include:

Pop-up events showcasing local entertainers Fridays from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., starting June 27

Markets on Water by The Mom Market on Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., starting July 10

Community Event Space for organizations to host creative and connectionfocused activities



Canada Day Festivities

Oh Canada!

We are proud to host free, accessible Canada Day celebrations on July 1!

Learn More

Sunrise celebration (6 a.m. to 7 a.m.) Family fun and entertainment (1 p.m. to 5 p.m.) Live music and fireworks featuring Celtic Connection (8 p.m. to 10 p.m.)

Funded in part by the Government of Canada.

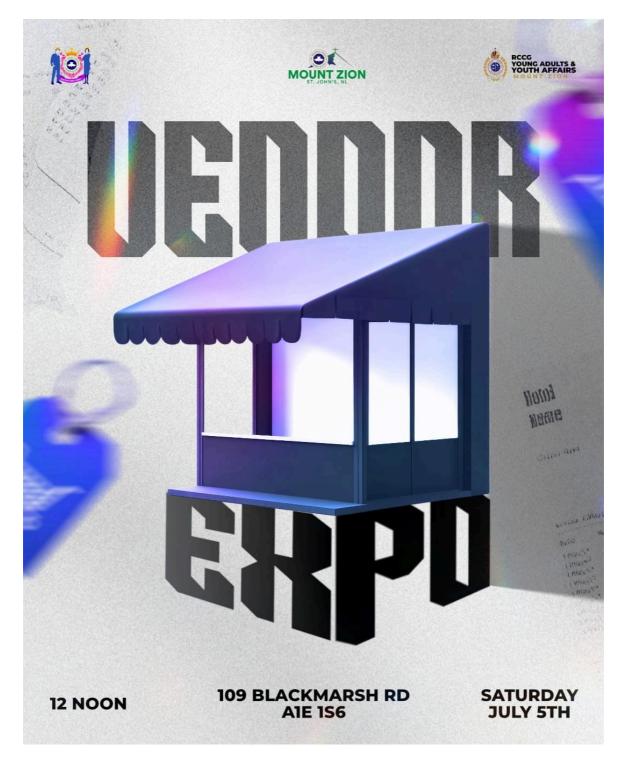




The Artistry and Culture of Newcomers

To recognize World Refugee Day, the City of St. John's is proud to host a visual art exhibit honouring the art and culture of newcomers from students at the Association for New Canadians Language School. The exhibit entitled 'Artistry and Culture of Newcomers' will be on display in **Wyatt Hall at City Hall from June 17 to July 11**, open to the public weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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

P Location: 109 Blackmarsh Rd, A1E 1S6

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



Rise & Lead: Youth Leadership Summit

Christian Missionary Fellowship International Newfoundland and Labrador (CMFI NL) invites all newcomer and local youth (ages 15–30+) to the "Rise & Lead: Youth Leadership Summit" on Saturday, July 5, 2025, from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM at CMFI NL Hall, 40 International Place, St. John's, NL.

This flagship event is part of CMFI NL's Settlement and Integration Program. It is designed to empower participants with practical leadership skills, confidence, and tools for community engagement through inspiring keynote addresses, dynamic panel discussions, interactive challenges, and networking opportunities. The summit aims to foster a sense of belonging, responsibility, and opportunity among young people in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Event Highlights:

- Keynote Address: Inspiring talk on youth leadership potential
- Panel Discussions: "Finding Your Leadership Voice" and "Building Community Through Action"
- Interactive Challenges: Games, prizes, and networking activities

Who Should Attend:

Newcomers, local youth (ages 15–30+), community partners, and anyone interested in youth leadership development.

For more information, please contact community@cmfinl.org or (709) 853-7393



Entrepreneurship Networking Event

Calling all aspiring and established immigrant entrepreneurs! Join us on Wednesday, **July 9, 2025, from 4–6 PM** at the Whale Atrium, Memorial University for the Immigrant Entrepreneurship Networking Fair, an inspiring opportunity to connect, learn, and grow.

Meet representatives from top organizations supporting business development

- P Discover funding, mentorship, and practical resources
- Enjoy Food and refreshments from a local immigrant-owned business

Whether you're just getting started or ready to scale, this event is for you.

Register

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Industry Engagement Specialist - Amal Youth and Family Centre

We're growing our team!

#AmalUniteEmpower are hiring an Industry Engagement Specialist to help us build strong relationships across sectors. This externally-facing role is ideal for someone confident in professional settings and energized by strategic outreach. The Industry Engagement Specialist will sit at the front line of our employer engagement efforts—connecting with businesses, recruiters, and partners to help newcomer talent thrive across Newfoundland and Labrador.

Learn More

Community Pilates Classes

Led by certified student teachers from The Cross Sea Academy of Movement Education, these beginner-friendly classes are a great way to:

- Strengthen your core
- Improve flexibility and posture
- Reduce stress and connect with others
- Learn simple movements that support joint health and body awareness

(Modifications will be offered for different movement needs, so all levels are welcome)

1 Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM Starting July 3, 2025

- Bannerman Park (when weather allows)
- T Backup location: 7 Ricketts Rd Gym

What to Bring:

A yoga mat or towel, water, comfy clothes, and a light layer!

Spots are limited and registration is required!





Tech in the Park

Mark your calendar for July 16, 2025, an outdoor celebration of tech, community, and connection at Bannerman Park \blacklozenge

- () 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM
- 🥡 Games

Meet and network with Newfoundland tech companies and nonprofits doing meaningful work in the community

- **1** Music, refreshments, and good vibes all around
- Ho cost, no catch, just scan the QR code on the poster to register.

Come as you are and connect with the people building the future of tech in Newfoundland.

ANCONNECT CLINICAL COUNSELLING SERVICES ROUTES TO RESILIENCY

WALK AND TALK GROUP

WHAT IS IT?

Join the ANConnect Counsellor for a guided mindful walking activity each week.

These sessions are aimed to promote self awareness and wellness, reduce stress and build community connection!

WHERE IS IT?

Dates: Every Monday starting June 30, 2025 Where: Mundy Pond Walking Trail in St. John's.

We will meet in the gravel parking lot starting at 1:00pm.

Time : 1:30pm to 2:30pm

WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

Participants are strongly encouraged to wear comfortable clothing, footwear, sunscreen, and hats. Also bring water if desired!



CAN I BRING MY CHILDREN?

Yes! Children are welcome but all children must be spervised by parents/guardians at all times!!



WILL THIS COST ME MONEY?

This is a FREE event, however participants are responsible for their own transportation.



HOW CAN I PRE-REGISTER?

socialwork@ancnl.cakoliver@ancnl.ca



SAFE , NON -JUDGEMENTAL AND INCLUSIVE

everyone is welcome to attend but participants are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and footwear and bring water if desired.

Newfoundland Labrador



Routes to Resiliency: Walk and Talk group

ATTN St. John's Area Newcomers: We kindly invite you to join us for a weekly walk and talk in the great outdoors! <a>

📰 Every Monday, starting June 30, 2025

- 1:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m. (we will meet at 1 p.m.)
- Mundy Pond Walking Trail in St. John's
- Solution To register, contact koliver@ancnl.ca

*Signing up early is strongly recommended!

This is a free program and everyone is welcome to attend! Children must be supervised by parents and/or guardians.

These guided walks will be with the ANConnect Counsellor and are a great opportunity to:

September 2015 Promote mindfulness, self awareness, and wellness

- 😂 Reduce stress
- Build community connection

We look forward to seeing you there!



HOSPITALITY SKILLS PROGRAM

Key Features





July 21 - day 1 (Hospitality Foundations)
July 22 - day 2 (Workplace Expectations & Soft Skills)
July 23 - day 3 (Mock Interview)
✓ Time: 1.30-4pm (all three days)
Industry Certifications
✓ Certificate of Hospitality Skills Program Completion
✓ Minimum English Level: CLB 4
✓ Ready resume

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER

Dates:

For more information

🔾 75 Tiffany Court, St. John's, NL 🛞 erc@ancnl.ca

Hospitality Skills program

Are you interested in working in the Hospitality Industry? The ANC is here to help! Our Employment Readiness Centre (ERC) is offering a FREE three-day Hospitality Skills Program that will include:

Hospitality Industry Foundations <a>[

Workplace Expectations and Soft Skills in

🗹 A Mock Interview 🤝

A Certificate of Completion 📜 iii

💼 July 21-23, 2025

- 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (all three days)
- 75 Tiffany Court (upper entrance), St. John's, NL
- Solution To register, scan the QR code or visit https://bit.ly/444GPLA

*Participants must have minimum CLB 4 English skills and bring your up-to-date resume. For more info, contact 📩 erc@ancnl.ca.

Register



St. John's Newcomer Choir

Join the St. John's Newcomer Choir!

The Newcomer Choir Association – Canada is a non-profit group that helps newcomers feel at home in Canada. We offer free programs where you can:

- Learn English
- Meet new people
- Enjoy singing and music

In-Person Choir

Join us every week at the Amal Youth and Family Centre at 7 Ricketts Road in St. John's. We sing, learn English, and have fun together. You do not need to know how to sing or read music. All levels of English are welcome. Bring your children or a friend.

Online English Classes

We also offer free online English classes every week. These classes are made for your level of English. Register on our website.

Everyone is welcome

Our programs are open to all ages, all English levels, and all immigration statuses. Whether you are a refugee, immigrant, student, temporary worker, or visitor – you are welcome.

Learn More

Learn more and register at www.newcomerchoir.ca

MWONL ACTIVITIES LIST **JULY 2025** Tuesday, July 08 @ 11:00 am- 1:00 pm **Potluck Family Outing to Bannerman Park** Location: Military Road Saturday, July 12 @ 10:30 am - 12:30 pm **Building Confidence and Professional Presence** Facilitator: Dipa Reza Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Road Tuesday, July 15 @ 11:00 am- 12:30 pm Visit Logy Bay Museum Location: 744 Logy Bay Road Thursday, July 17 @ 10:30 am – 2:30 pm **Compassion, Fatigue, and Burnout Training** Facilitator: Canadian Mental Health Association of NL Location: TBD Saturday, July 19 @ 10:30 am - 12:30 pm Food Showcase and Cultural Event Location: Emera Center, 100 Signal Hill Road Tuesday, July 22 @ 11:00 am- 12:30 pm Newcomer Human Trafficking and Labor Exploitation Facilitator: Sage Shammakh (Association for New Canadians NL) Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Road Saturday, July 26 @ 11:00 am-1:00 pm Engaging Men and Male Youth in Ending Gender-based Violence (Family Event) Location: TBD Tuesday, July 29 @ 11:00 am- 12:30 pm Women's Health Seminar Facilitator: Amanda Michael Location: MWONL Office, 44 Torbay Road All programs are free of cost. (Seats are limited) To register and for more information, please contact Inaam at inaam.j@mwonl.com/ admin@mwonl.com or call MWONL office:(709) 726 0321

MWONL July Activity List

All programs are free of cost. (Seats are limited)

To register and for more information, please, contact Inaam at inaam.j@mwonl.com/ admin@mwonl.com or call (709) 726 0321

SJIWFF: Films On The Go

Join us as we kick off this year's Films On The Go summer screening tour with a **free early screening on July 3 at the LSPU Hall** —enjoy bold stories, great company, and complimentary snacks! This year we're screenining 7 short films from last October's festival.

About the lineup: Sweetgrass, perfect brows, the surprisingly queer life of a climbing clip, a giant imaginary bear, and one very bad day in 1986, this year's Films on the Go lineup delivers seven short films packed with big emotion, sharp humour, and unforgettable moments. Crafted by filmmakers from Newfoundland & Labrador, Mi'kma'ki, Canada, and beyond.

July 3, LSPU Hall 5pm snacks in the Second Space 6-7pm film screening in the theatre

This event is free! Registration required.

Reserve Free Tickets





Join us this summer to grow your leadership, anti-racism, and advocacy skills in a supportive environment!



Register today to save your spot!

<u>ywcastjohns.com/lead-program</u>







Questions? Contact YWCA Youth Programs Coordinator Elijah Martel: <u>elijah@ywcastjohns.ca</u>

Youth Programs at YWCA St. John's

Build confidence and advocacy skills in a supportive environment! L.E.A.D is a 5-day YWCA leadership program for **young women and gender diverse youth**, ages **15-18**. You'll meet inspiring community change-makers, connect with peers, and learn about anti-racism and cultural diversity. Apply today to be part of L.E.A.D 2025! **Dates:** July 21-25, 2025

Open to: Young women and gender diverse youth (e.g. nonbinary, trans, 2S, genderfluid...), ages 15-18

Location: YWCA office, downtown St. John's

How to apply: This program is 100% free! It includes daily lunch and snacks, and a certificate of achievement is provided on completion. To apply, just fill out a quick online form

Register



St. John's Pride Festival

The St. John's Pride Festival will take place this year from **July 9-20, 2025**, with the parade scheduled to take place on **Sunday**, **July 20** starting at 12 p.m.

The parade will start from St. John's City Hall, 10 New Gower Street, and proceed along Duckworth Street turning onto Ordnance Street and proceeding onto Military Road ending at Bannerman Park. The route is approximately 1.92km.

Learn More

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.

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

Visit our Website

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