



Threading Compassion through the heart of WINDSOR-ESSEX



La compassion entrelacée dans le cœur de Windsor-Essex

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Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership 2016 Annual Forum Thursday, March 3, 2016

The WE LIP is a dynamic coalition of private, public, and non-profit organizations working together to create a welcoming environment where newcomers can reach their full potential.

Welcome/Bienvenue

- Charlotte LeFrank, Windsor-Essex Children's Aid Society (Master of Ceremonies)
- Ghislaine Brodeur, Ontario Ministry of Citizenship, Immigration and International Trade

WE LIP 2015–2016 Year in Review: Showcasing Our Work and Our Partners

Video Presentation: Canada Day 2015 Celebration & Citizenship Ceremony

- Presented by the Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership in partnership with The Corporation of the City of Windsor

MEET Smart Multicultural Guide

- Mariel Munoz Tayraco, Windsor Essex County Health Unit

Health Equity for Newcomer Immigrants Committee (HENI)

- Rosalind Abdool, Hotel Dieu Healthcare



Immigration Francophone

- Christelle Desforges, Réseau de soutien à l'immigration francophone de la Région Centre-Sud-Ouest de l'Ontario

Career Pathways in Agriculture

- Jeanine Lassaline-Berglund, The Corporation of the Municipality of Leamington

Syrian Refugee Crisis: A Compassionate Community Response

- Jelena Payne, The Corporation of the City of Windsor
- Carolyn Warkentin, South Essex Community Council

The Capture Compassion Project

- Ainslee Winter, New Beginnings



Video Presentation: Welcome to Windsor-Essex!!

- Presented by the Syrian Canadian Council, the Windsor Islamic Association & the Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership



Keynote Address: Windsor Essex Compassionate Community Coalition

"If you want others to be happy, practice compassion. If you want to be happy, practice compassion."
-Dali Lama

Carol Derbyshire, Executive Director Hospice of Windsor & Essex County

- Introduction by Leslie Frattaroli, United Way/Centraide Windsor-Essex County

2016 Jean Foster Welcoming Community Awards

The Jean Foster Welcoming Community Award was created in 2014 to recognize Jean's commitment to community collaboration to enhance the delivery of services to newcomers, immigrants and refugees in Windsor Essex. Jean understood and modeled ways to create a sense of welcoming by improving access to services, initiating programs, and by being a committed WE LIP Ambassador.

Background of the Award

- Debra Domenico, Greater Essex County District School Board Language Assessment & Resource Centre

2016 Award Presentations:

- Scholastica Lyanga**
For a life time of dedicated service, volunteerism, and for her helping to birth vital newcomer services and organizations in our community.
- Ronnie Haidar**
For his exemplary efforts to bring diverse people together to create a more welcoming Windsor.
- Multicultural Council of Windsor Essex**
For rising to the occasion in the face of the Syrian Refugee Crisis.

Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership Threading Compassion Award

- Dr. Ahmed Chaker**
For his tireless generosity and humanitarian efforts in Windsor and abroad.

Upcoming Events

- World Refugee Day 2016 ~ Monday, June 20, 2016 ~ Capitol Theatre Windsor
- Canada Day 2016 Citizenship Ceremony ~ Friday, July 1, 2016 ~ Windsor International Aquatic and Training Centre

Closing and Acknowledgements

- Charlotte LeFrank and Ghislaine Brodeur

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