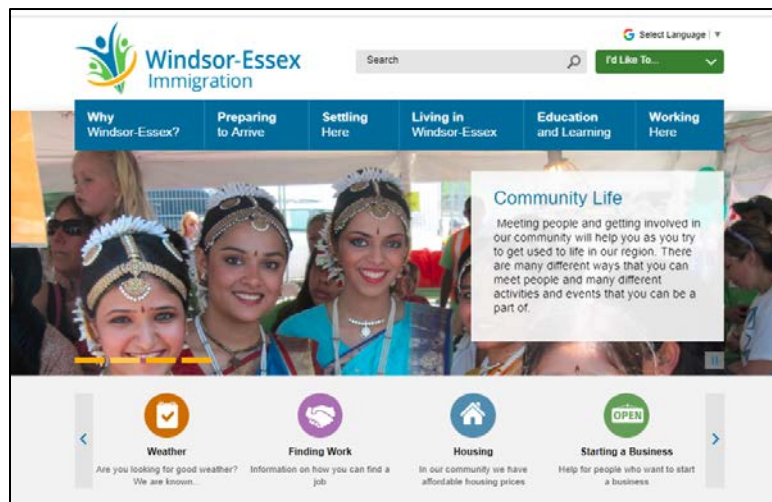


## Windsor-Essex Immigration Website

October 2018



[www.welcometowindsor.essex.ca](http://www.welcometowindsor.essex.ca)

The Windsor-Essex Immigration website was created in 2014 as a source of information where new and prospective immigrants to Windsor-Essex can learn more about the region. Since its inception, Workforce WindsorEssex and the Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership have been responsible for managing and updating the site. For those whose first language is not English, the website can be translated into various languages via the Google Translate language options.

Visitors to the site can find information on a range of topics including:

- Pre-arrival
- Healthcare
- Education
- Employment
- Settlement services & language training
- Community supports
- Housing
- Recreation
- Francophone communities
- Immigration statistics
- Weather

The dedicated [WE LIP page](#) speaks to the Council's history, goals, and success stories. Additionally, the site provides visitors an opportunity to contact WE LIP with any questions they may have. WE LIP staff have fielded many inquiries and provided referral and contact information on such topics as language programs, citizenship application, ESL classes for visitors, housing, and permanent residency application.

The Windsor-Essex Immigration website is one more way to showcase our welcoming community and all it has to offer.

## #WEbelong | #noussoyonsWE

November 2018

In February 2018, the Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership launched the #WEbelong | #noussoyonsWE public awareness campaign designed to encourage citizens to take a proactive step towards making Windsor and Essex County truly welcoming for all. WE Belong works to promote a unified community, standing together in collective action against prejudice, racism and discrimination. Windsor-Essex residents and organizations were encouraged to complete a pledge card and fill in the action they will take to make a difference in our community.

We thank all those who have participated in the #WE belong | #noussoyonsWE initiative and encourage the community to continue with their acts of welcoming, be them big or small.



Pour une collaboration francophone et inclusive  
 ~ Association canadienne-française de l'Ontario (ACFO) Board of Directors



Understanding Everyone!! Accepting Equality;  
 Understanding; Equality; Inclusive - include everyone; Teaching; Respect 4 All;  
 Acceptance  
 ~ Community Living Essex County - New Day, Leaders of Today members



To be a welcoming and inclusive community  
 ~ South Essex Community Council

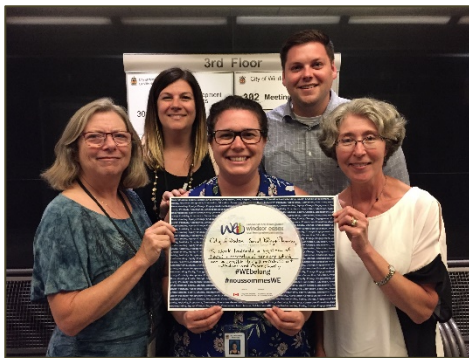


Greet all comers with compassion and empathy  
 ~ Women's Enterprise Skills Training of Windsor Inc.





To be community ambassadors  
~ GECD SB Language Assessment Centre



To work towards a system of social & recreational services which are accessible by all residents of Windsor & Essex County  
~ City of Windsor - Social Policy & Planning

LGBT youth community-building  
~ Five/Fourteen



Promoting a diverse workforce  
~ Workforce WindsorEssex



Provide inclusive and welcoming customer service to everyone  
~ Windsor Public Library Chisholm Branch & Parks & Recreation  
Optimist Community Centre



Acceptance  
~ Multicultural Council of Windsor & Essex County Seniors Group

## WE LIP Winter Council Meeting

December 11, 2018

The WE LIP Winter Council Meeting was held on December 11, 2018 at the University of Windsor Centre for Executive & Professional Education. Agenda items included information sharing from WE LIP members, AIDS Committee of Windsor and Canadian Mental Health Association Windsor-Essex County.

The meeting brought together the recently elected WE LIP Executive Committee. On November 7, 2018, council members selected Sarah May Garcia, Didier Marotte and Nick Beluli as Executive Committee members. WE LIP would like to thank outgoing executive members, Debra DiDomenico and Frédéric Boulanger for their years of dedication and leadership.

The WE LIP Executive is represented by:

**Chair:** Hugo Vega, YMCA of Southwestern Ontario

**Vice-chair:** Sarah May Garcia, Erie St. Clair Local Health Integration Network

**Member-at-large:** Nick Beluli, Multicultural Council of Windsor & Essex County

**Member-at-large:** Charlotte LeFrank, Windsor-Essex Children's Aid Society

**Member-at-large:** Didier Marotte, Centre Communautaire Francophone Windsor Essex Kent Inc.



*Back Row: Mary Ellen Bernard, Charlotte LeFrank, Hugo Vega, Michelle Suchiu*

*Front Row: Marina George, Nick Beluli, Sarah May Garcia, Didier Marotte*



## WOMEN & HIV/AIDS INITIATIVE – AIDS COMMITTEE OF WINDSOR



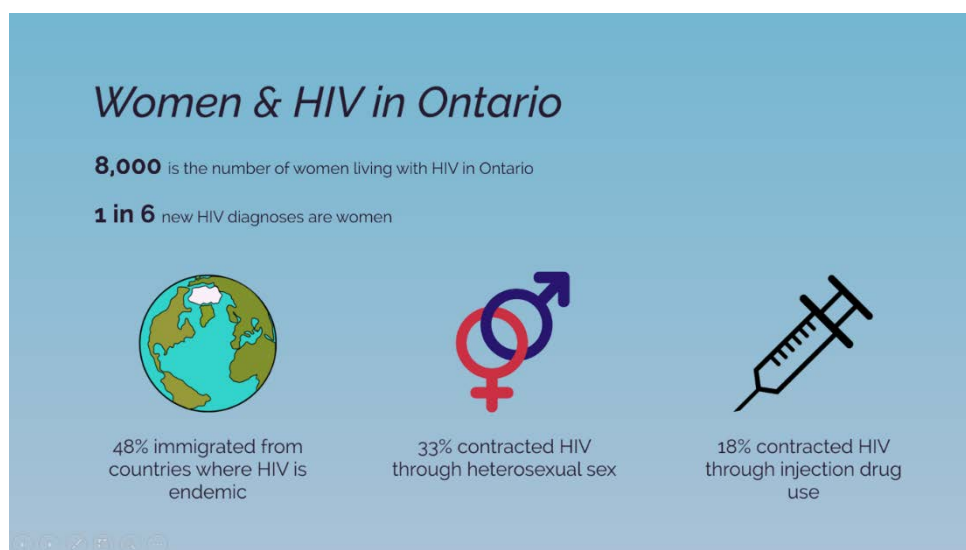
The [Women & HIV Program at the AIDS Committee of Windsor](#) is part of the [Ontario Women & HIV/AIDS Initiative \(WHA I\)](#). WHAI is an answer to the community need for a flexible response to HIV/AIDS among women in Ontario that takes into account the structural and societal factors that make women vulnerable to HIV.

### Goals

- Reduce HIV transmission among women (including trans and cis women)
- Enhance local community capacity to address HIV/AIDS
- Build safe environments to support women and their HIV/AIDS-related needs

### Objectives

- Raise awareness and inform local community organizations and groups that serve women about HIV/AIDS and the need for women's HIV-related services
- Work with local community organizations and groups to promote the integration of HIV/AIDS into their current programs, services, and policies/procedures
- Work with staff at community organizations to build their knowledge and capacity to respond to women's HIV-related needs



## **BOUNCEBACK PROGRAM – CMHA WINDSOR-ESSEX**



Through [BounceBack](#), adults and youth 15+ learn skills to help manage worry and anxiety, combat unhelpful thinking, and become more active and assertive.

BounceBack offers two forms of help:

### **1. Telephone coaching and workshops**

- An educational and motivational guided self-help program using telephone coaching and workbooks.
- A referral is required in order to participate.
- Once a referral has been submitted, you will be contacted by a BounceBack coach within five business days to schedule a telephone assessment:
  - The program involves three to six telephone coaching sessions, which you can do from the comfort of your home.
  - Your coach is there to help you develop new skills, keep you motivated, and monitor how you're doing.
  - You and your coach will select from among 20 workbook topics that are best suited to your current needs. Some popular workbooks are: Being assertive; Changing extreme and unhelpful thinking; Overcoming sleep problems.
  - Telephone coaching and workbooks are available in multiple languages.

### **2. BounceBack Today online videos:**

- Watch the BounceBack Today online videos and learn practical tips on managing mood, sleeping better, building confidence, increasing activity, problem solving, and healthy living.
- You can watch the videos at any time at [www.bouncebackvideo.ca](http://www.bouncebackvideo.ca) by entering your email address and access code: bbtodayon.
- The videos are available in English, French, Mandarin, Cantonese, Punjabi, Arabic, and Farsi.

## Upcoming Events



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### WE LIP Annual Community Forum & 10 Year Celebration

February 19, 2019

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Centre for Executive and Professional Education, University of Windsor

[CLICK HERE](#) to register

### WE LIP Committee Meetings

February 4, 2019

HENI WE SPEAC Group

February 4, 2019

WE LIP Executive

February 11, 2019

WE LIP Newcomer Youth Planning Committee

February 25, 2019

WE LIP SPICE Committee

To learn more about the Windsor Essex Local Immigration Partnership (WE LIP), please click on the following links:

[City of Windsor WE LIP Page](#)

| [Workforce WindsorEssex WE LIP Page](#)

[Welcome to Windsor WE LIP Page](#)



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