

BUILDING A WELCOMING COMMUNITY

Your Impact on Newcomers in Mississauga

Dear Fundholder(s),

Thank you for your generous support of the Newcomers Fund. Your contributions are helping create a more welcoming and inclusive community for those new to Mississauga, providing essential services and resources that help newcomers settle and thrive.

Purpose of the Fund:

The Newcomers Fund focuses on programs that support immigrants and refugees, offering services such as language training, employment assistance, and community integration programs.

Collective Impact:

The Newcomers Fund empowers immigrants and refugees in Mississauga by supporting programs that foster social inclusion, economic stability, and community integration.

Projects Supported in 2024:

- Red Shawl Women's Community Organization - G-class drivers education support for newcomer women with less than two years in Canada
- Peel Career Assessment Services Inc. - Fitness for Mental Health - Program for Seniors and Newcomers

Discover how your support has made a lasting impact in 2024. Read on to see the difference you've made.

IMPACT STORIES

Our Grant Recipients



Peel Career Assessment Services Inc. - Fitness for Mental Health - Program for Seniors and Newcomers

Peel Career Assessment Services is committed to cherishing and honoring seniors, recognizing the invaluable contributions they have made to our communities. Through its seniors program, the organization creates a nurturing and engaging environment where older adults can thrive, connect, and continue leading fulfilling lives.

The program promotes holistic health and wellness, offering physical sports, fitness classes, Tai Chi, dance, and mental wellness sessions that support both body and mind. Seniors actively participate in workshops, pottery classes, and other creative activities that foster personal growth, learning, and self-expression.

Community engagement is a cornerstone of the program. Participants are encouraged to contribute through volunteering and community service, making a positive impact while building social connections and maintaining a sense of purpose.

In addition to recreational and wellness opportunities, the program provides essential support services, including assistance with government benefits and newcomer integration. This comprehensive approach ensures that seniors feel valued, supported, and included in all aspects of community life.

The impact is tangible: seniors report greater physical well-being, reduced isolation, and increased confidence in navigating both social and administrative systems. By combining health, creativity, social connection, and practical support, the program empowers older adults to continue leading meaningful, active lives, strengthening not only their own quality of life but the community as a whole.

Peel Career Assessment Services' seniors program exemplifies how holistic, supportive programming can foster dignity, inclusion, and engagement, ensuring seniors remain an integral and celebrated part of society.



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Red Shawl Women's Community Organization - G-class drivers education support for newcomer women with less than two years in Canada

For many newcomer women, driving represents more than just mobility — it's freedom, confidence, and the key to new opportunities.

Through the Drive and Thrive program, the Red Shawl Women's Community Organization is helping women who've been in Canada for less than two years gain that independence. Supported by The Mississauga Foundation's Newcomers Fund, the initiative provides full reimbursement for G-class driver's education, including 20 hours of classroom learning, 10 hours of in-car training, and preparation for the G2 road test.

But this program goes beyond driving lessons — it's about empowerment. By helping women gain the skills to navigate their new communities safely and independently, Drive and Thrive is paving the way toward brighter, more confident futures.

We deeply appreciate your dedication to making Mississauga a welcoming place for all. To continue supporting this critical work, we encourage you to make a donation to the Newcomers Fund. If you know of others who may wish to contribute, please feel free to refer them to us.



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