



MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of York Regional Council

FROM: Adelina Urbanski,
Commissioner of Community and Health Services

DATE: February 18, 2010

RE: **Appointment of York Region's Community Partnership Council**

Further to the direction provided by Regional Council at its meeting on November 19, 2009, we are seeking Regional Council's approval of the list of individuals proposed to be appointed to Community Partnership Council for York Region's Local Immigration Partnership initiative. The Local Immigration Partnership is 100% funded by the Government of Canada through Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

The Community Partnership Council will connect sectors that are critical to the successful integration of recent immigrants including health services, local municipalities, settlement services, language training providers, employers, labour market development, school boards, and community services. The Community Partnership Council will work collaboratively with the Region to develop a "made-in-York Region" Immigration Settlement Strategy that will examine ways to increase coordination of settlement services, improve labour market integration of newcomers and enhance community capacity within York Region.

The Community Partnership Council will have 19 sector representatives and will be co-chaired by Mayor Frank Scarpitti and a representative from the Catholic Community Services of York Region, the Project Partner. In addition there will be five ex-officio members from the federal, provincial and municipal governments. The term of the Community Partnership Council will be from February 18, 2010 through to March 31, 2011.

The list of proposed individuals is attached.

For more information, please contact Cordelia Abankwa-Harris, Managing Director, Strategic Service Integration and Policy Branch at Extension 2150.

Adelina Urbanski
Commissioner of Community and Health Services

Attachment - 1

Copy to: Richard Lecours, Operations Manager, Citizenship and Immigration Canada

**Community Partnership Council
for York Region's Local Immigration Partnership Initiative
Sector Representatives**

Sector	Sector Representative
Community Partnership Council Co-Chair and Regional Council Representative	Mayor Frank Scarpitti (Co-Chair) Mayor, Town of Markham
Community Partnership Council Co-Chair and Project Partner	Stephen Lam (Co-Chair) Director, Settlement and Community Programs Catholic Community Services of York Region
Regional Representative	Bill Fisch Chairman and CEO The Regional Municipality of York
Regional Representative	Lina Bigioni Director of Government Relations and Executive Assistant to the Chairman Office of the Regional Chair The Regional Municipality of York
Municipal	Tricia Myatt Manager, Policy and Intergovernmental Affairs Town of Richmond Hill
Municipal	Mirella Tersigni Community Development Coordinator City of Vaughan
Municipal	Sandra Tam Manager, Markham Small Business Enterprise Centre Town of Markham
Settlement Services	Moy Wong-Tam Executive Director Centre for Information and Community Services of Ontario
Language Training	Robert Cazzola Director, Education and Information Systems COSTI Immigrant Services
Accreditation Programs	Patricia Cousins CEO Social Enterprise for Canada
Employment Skills and Training	Nella Iasci Executive Director Job Skills
Labour Market Development	Al Wilson Executive Director Workforce Planning Board

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Labour Market Development	Elizabeth McIsaac Executive Director Toronto Region Immigrant Employment Council
Academic	Usha George, Ph.D. Professor and Dean Faculty of Community Services Ryerson University
Police Services	Ricky Veerappan Inspector York Regional Police
Health Services	Carla Palmer Operations Director, Community Programs, Partnerships and Alliances York Central Hospital
Education	Leanne Rosteing ESL/ELD Teacher, Assessment York Catholic District School Board
Education	Cecil Roach Superintendent of Education York Region District School Board
Francophone Community	Serge Paul Community Liaison Officer Conseil scolaire de district du Centre-Sud-Ouest
Social Services	Janice Chu Director, Community Investment United Way of York Region

Ex-officio members

Citizenship and Immigration Canada	Richard Lecours Operations Manager
Service Canada	Paul Trustham Service Canada Manager - York/Durham
Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration	Catherine Campbell Regional Advisor
Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities	Sandy McMillan Service Delivery Manager