



E-Mail Newsletter

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Office hours:

Springhill Farms:

Mondays

And

Wednesdays

11:00 – 5:00

In the cafeteria

Neepawa:

Resource Centre

290 Davidson

Monday to Friday

11:00 – 6:00

Minnedosa:

and

Gladstone:

Please call for an appointment

Neepawa & Area Immigrant Settlement Services

Services for people from around the world

What we do:

We provide assistance to people who are learning to live in a new country. Settlement services help people develop skills and knowledge to participate in a new society.

Settlement Assistance:

- Information and orientation about life in Canada and your community
- Help filling out forms such as: Manitoba Health, SIN, Manitoba Provincial Nominee, Permanent Resident, Criminal Record Check, etc.
- Support, information and assistance concerning immigration issues
- Advocacy
- Referrals for education, employment and housing
- Cultural Diversity Training
- Commissioner of Oaths and Notary Public services

Please note: Due to staffing changes, the office may be closed for a few hours on Mondays and Wednesdays during April. If you are travelling a distance, please call ahead to make sure the office is open.

Rental Housing:

Minnedosa – 3 bedroom fully furnished house available now. \$595.00 (negotiable) per month plus utilities. Contact Darcy at 867-3131 or 867-4658.

Minnedosa – bedroom and bathroom; separate entrance. \$300.00 per month; contact Melissa at 867-5190.

Neepawa – suites available at Churchill Block – contact Debbie at 841-1298.

Neepawa – bedroom in shared house \$250.00 per month, everything included. Call 212-0689 for more information.

Neepawa – 1 bedroom in shared house; everything included \$375.00 per month contact numbers: 476-2734 or 476-2182.

Neepawa – bedroom in shared house \$300.00 per month, everything included. Call 704-0114 for more information.

Gladstone – 4 bedroom house; fridge, stove, washer and dryer included. Contact James at 204-612-1451.

Note on Passports:

Please be aware that CIC will not extend your work permit beyond the valid date on your passport. If your passport expires within the time you are applying for, you must extend or get a new passport before applying. If you do not, it will cost you more money as you will have to apply again!

**Services available in:
English
Filipino**

All services are free of charge

Program paid for by the Province of Manitoba

Neepex: Still time to participate!

Do you want to showcase your culture to our community? Then *Neepex* 2011 may be the right place and time for you to do so! *Neepex*, is a 2-day event where members of Neepawa and surrounding areas come together to showcase their business and culture. It is a great opportunity to bring members of the community together and to share your culture. There will be booths and food stations set up for vendors to sell or to display aspects of their culture.

Neepawa & Area Immigrant Settlement Services would like to sponsor a booth for those who are interested in this business and culture expo. If you have any questions or are interested in participating, please feel free to contact us.

Event Name: *Neepex* 2011

Location: Yellowhead Centre

Date: Friday May 13th 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and

Saturday May 14th 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Admission fee: \$3.00

**If you are a vendor, you do not have to pay admission

Useful Information Links:

www.cmhc.ca/newcomers/english/renting.html

This website has information on renting an apartment, buying a house and looking after your house. The information is available in many languages.

www.consumermanitoba.ca/guide/guide.html

This website has information on banking, credit, shopping, cars, utilities, housing, and identity theft.

www.myenglishonline.ca

Improve your English at home by studying online – check it out!

www.immigrantsandcareers.mb.ca

Get advice from other immigrants who know what it takes to succeed in Manitoba. This website has personal stories from immigrants who have settled successfully in Manitoba.

NEW!http://www.camh.net/About_Addiction_Mental_Health/Multilingual_Resources/index.html

Fact sheets on specific mental health issues translated to a variety of languages.

NEW!http://www.camh.net/About_Addiction_Mental_Health/Mental_Health_Information/alone_in_canada.html

Self-help booklet for newcomers on coping with cultural transition and adaptation.

Message from the Editor:

We are having some staff changes at the Settlement Office! Susan Lee will no longer be working regularly at the office. Please join me in wishing Susan Lee all the best as she begins new endeavors in Neepawa.

I would like to welcome Geraldine Maluyo as our new Settlement Worker. Geraldine arrived in Neepawa, from the Philippines last December to join her husband Rodel who has been here since 2009.



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