



E-Mail Newsletter

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Office hours:

Neepawa:

Resource Centre

290 Davidson

Monday to Friday

11:00 – 6:00

Minnedosa:

and

Gladstone:

Please call for an appointment

Services available in:

English

Filipino

All services are free of charge

Program paid for by the Province of Manitoba

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

Rental Housing:

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

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

Neepawa – bedroom in shared house \$225.00 per month, everything included. Call Andrea at 841-0842.

Neepawa – bedroom in shared house \$250.00 per month, everything included. Contact Carolyn at 476-4025.

Neepawa – 2 bedroom apartment in lower level of house at 341 Davidson. Contact Julia at 841-1036

Neepawa – one bedroom apartment available November 1; \$450.00 per month plus utilities. Contact May at Bamboo, phone 476-3326

Minnedosa – 2 bedroom house; furnished; washer, dryer, fridge and stove; \$400.00 per month plus utilities. Contact Darcy at 867-3131.

Minnedosa – 2 bedroom (and 2 bedrooms downstairs) house; furnished; washer, fridge and stove; \$400.00 per month plus utilities. Contact Darcy at 867-3131.

Neepawa – 3 bedroom house with finished basement, yard and garage. Includes washer, dryer, fridge, stove and air conditioner. Contact Karen at 570-2574

Carberry – 2 bedroom house. Includes washer, dryer, fridge and stove. \$875.00 plus utilities. Contact Scott at 724-2156, Koralea at 724-0476

Financial Tools:

Check out this website for many tools to help you manage your money:
<http://www.fcac-acfc.gc.ca/eng/resources/toolCalculator/index-eng.asp>

Holiday Hours:

Office will be closed on Monday December 26, Tuesday December 27 and Monday January 2.

Information Session at Westlake Employment:

Learn about having your credentials, skills and experience from another country recognized. December 7 at 3:30 at the Resource Centre.

Red Cross Smart Start:

The Red Cross will be here in January with a workshop about injury prevention. This is all very important information that you may not be aware of. I encourage you to mark your calendars now and plan to attend on Thursday January 19 at 6:00. More details will be in the January newsletter.

Dates for RCMP finger printing:

The next date for fingerprinting will be Thursday December 15 at 6:00 pm at the RCMP station.

Mailing address:

I am still hearing that there are a lot of problems at the Post Office with getting your mail to you! Please remember, when you are asked for your address, you must give your P.O. Box number. Only if the person asking is coming to your house for a visit, then you give your house number and street.

Another thing to remember is that when paying your fees for permanent residence, you must give a bank draft, not a money order. A bank draft is the only acceptable payment form!

Highway Condition Information:

Now that winter is officially here, you must take more care when driving! Before leaving for a trip on the highway you can check this website for road conditions. If it says that the highway is snow covered and poor visibility it is best to stay home! The RCMP does close the highway when the weather conditions are severe but by then it is really bad! Here is the link: <http://www.manitoba.ca/mit/roadinfo/index.html>

Check the Weather too:

If you haven't yet found this website, here is a good place to check the weather report. It tells you what the weather is now and what the forecast is: http://www.weatheroffice.gc.ca/city/pages/mb-10_metric_e.html

Volunteer Opportunities:

The Salvation Army is looking for people to help out with their annual Christmas Kettle Appeal. If you are available for a 2 hour shift on Thursday, Friday or Saturday's please call Gladys at 476-3027.

Neepawa United Way is a charitable organization that provides funding to community organizations. They are looking for volunteers to join the Board of Directors. If interested please call Marian at 476-5803 or email: unitedwayneepawa@mymts.net

Message from the Editor:

I would like to thank the group of volunteers who worked so hard for the Filipino cooking demonstration at the Viscount Cultural Centre in November. It was a huge success thanks to their efforts!

We would like to sponsor another cooking event from another country. If anyone is interested in participating, please let me know.

Gigi and I wish you all the best of the holiday season.

Have a safe and happy Christmas!



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