

School and Community Connections

Adopt-A-School: A little help with necessities keeps a family going

Surrey school district's Welcome Centre and the Safe Schools Wraparound program tap Adopt-A-School in effort to keep kids at risk on a healthy path

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The lot of the Soleil family, which came to Surrey in 2009 as refugees from the Congo wars, can be summed up in two words: triumph and tragedy.

Much of what has gone right for them can be laid at the door of Surrey school district's Welcome Centre and the Safe Schools Wraparound program that offered them protection against hunger and been a constant source of support for this family that now consists of Jaqueline Soleil and seven children.



Safe Schools

The Surrey Wraparound Program (WRAP) is a partnership between the Surrey School District, RCMP and the City of Surrey. The program's objective is to positively attach youth to school, their community and the home by building a trusting and positive relationship. Parents, caregivers and/or guardians are included in goal setting while assisting the program's objective in building a positive lifestyle and self-worth for youth.

The Wrap Program

Safe Schools

The Wrap Program – Current Numbers

Waitlist: 30

Active Cases: 94

Suspended Status: 12

The Wrap Program

Safe Schools

The Funding Dollars

2015 - 2020 (Lapsed)	Federal National Crime Prevention Strategy	Surrey Gang Reduction Program	\$3,499,939.15 total
2018 - Present	Provincial Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General	Surrey WRAP Program	\$500,000 per annum
2019 - 2023	Municipal City of Surrey	The Surrey Anti- Gang Family Empowerment ("SAFE") Program	\$90,000 per annum

Total Number of Families Served

Target # for the duration of project	Actual # of participants to date	Is the project on track to meet the targeted number of participants?
400	472	⊠Yes □ No

New Funding Opportunities

Summer 2021

Federal National Crime Prevention Strategy



Settlement Services

Welcome Centre



- The Vision of a "Welcome Centre" a hub where holistic assessment and support could be provided for families and students new to Surrey, B.C.
- Filling a genuine need for settlement support, access to services, cultural adjustment support, and educational information and programming became the focus lens in developing the "Welcome Centre"



The Welcome Centre serves students and their families who are:

- Permanent Residents
- Immigrant Families who are Canadian Citizens
- Temporary Residents under work permit
- Convention Refugees
- Refugee Claimants

Welcome Centre Workshops

- Our 27 SWIS and 10 MCWs organize workshops for school staff, students and families.
- Most of our workshops fall into the following general categories...

- Community Resources
- Driving/Transportation
- Employment
- Financial
- Health & Safety
- Housing
- Immigration
- Legal
- Parenting
- School System/Education
- Volunteering
- Welcome Centre Services
- Women's Issues
- Youth Issues

Also added Punjabi/Hindi & Mandarin/Cantonese Certified Translator/Interpreters

Our Partnerships and Programs











- Immigrant Youth Bridge
 Program/Bridge 2 Success
- English Foundations
- Summer Learning
- City Tours
- Community Circle Club
- Community Connect 11
- Community Connect through Reading
- SWIS/Library Toolkits
- Multicultural Youth Circle
- Understanding Positive Parenting

Our Funding Grant

Funding	Year					Total
	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	
Program Delivery	\$2,237,298	\$2,409,253	\$2,451,839	\$2,495,033	\$2,538,888	12,262,311
Administrative	\$343,258	\$349,342	\$355,517	\$364,275	\$370,678	1,783,070
Total	\$2,710,556	\$2,758,595	\$2,807,356	\$2,859,308	\$2,909,566	14,045,381



IMMIGRATION TRENDS

- Drop in immigration was felt across the country in 2020 with only 184,000 of expected 341,000 immigrants arriving
- Canada is ready to welcome 401,000 immigrants this year
- Look forward to immigration recovery in Surrey
- BC has also been strong for migration during the pandemic

New Applications received by Funding Eligible Department

School Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2018-19				181	142	124	116	111	112	112	114	18**
2019-20	242	367	340	175	121	117	93	100	79	22	46	65
2020-21	62	65	142	83	57	55	68	69				
Received for 2021-22							85	37				

^{**} only beginning of the month, as remaining apps received counted for the next school year beginning July 2019

Funding Eligible Students

Ministry Funded Numbers	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-Current
New Apps (K-12)	1348	1532	663
New Strong Start		98	43
Re-Reg (K-12)	1372	1601	2248
Re-Reg Strong Start		31	41
Total Registered	2720	3262	2995
Including Pending	2911	3872	3670

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