

# Southeast Newcomer Services

## Newsletter

2020 Fall & Winter Edition

### Don't Get

**Scammed:** What to look for, how to prevent it, and what to do if you are.

### COVID-19 Support:

Check what benefits are offered, you could be eligible.

### New English

**Classes Dates and Times.**

**What's New In The Neighborhood?**

&

**Fun Programs and Events.**



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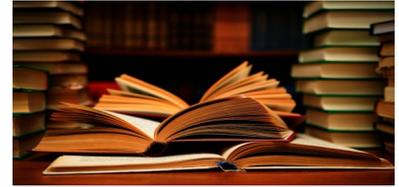
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**Special additions**

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- Online LINC Home Study
- Office Holiday Hours
- Our Social Media





LINC Home Study is available to permanent residents of Canada or convention refugees 18 years or older, who live outside of a region where face to face LINC classes are offered. Students will need to have a minimum CLBPT of 3 in Listening and Speaking, 2 in Reading and Writing, and be able to commit 5-7 hours to study on their own every week.

Online English Stage 1 & 2 is available to temporary residents who hold a valid work permit. Students need to be 18 years or older and live outside of an area where face to face Stage 1 & 2 English programs are offered.

For more information, please contact Katie at (306)637-4928 or

[kburham@southeastcollege.org](mailto:kburham@southeastcollege.org)

## English as an Additional Language

### Free English Classes for Adults

Southeast College offers English classes twice a week for adults free of cost. This is a good opportunity for individuals to improve their speaking, listening, reading and writing skills, leading to a positive impact on their social and professional life.

To register for English classes, please take your **immigration document** to your first class.

Location	Address	Times
Estevan	Spruce Ridge School 321 Spruce Ridge Drive	Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:30- 9:30pm
Weyburn	Southeast College Campus 633 King Street	Tuesday & Thursday 6:30pm- 9:30pm
Radville	TBD	TBD
Carlyle	Carlyle Elementary School 401 Souris Avenue East	Wednesday 6:30pm- 9:30pm
Redvers	Redvers School 44 Broadway Street	Tuesday & Thursday 6:30pm- 9:30pm
Estevan (EAL Literacy Program)	Southeast College Campus 532 Bourquin Rd	Most Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays Various hours Ask for a schedule

Contact: Katie Burham (306)637-4928

**Please note.** Katie Burham is the EAL Coordinator for Southeast College. For additional information on the program, please contact her directly at (306)637-4928.

The Estevan Area Literacy Group offers a variety of programs to help kids and adults with learning English.. Keep a watch out for upcoming events.

**Location:** Estevan Public Library

701 Souris Ave, Estevan

For more information or to register, please contact EALG at (306)636-1626 or [literacycoordinator@outlook.com](mailto:literacycoordinator@outlook.com)



# ABOUT CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19)

## WHAT IT IS

**COVID-19 is an illness caused by a coronavirus.**

Human coronaviruses are common and are typically associated with mild illnesses, similar to the common cold.

## HOW IT IS SPREAD

Coronaviruses are most commonly SPREAD from an infected person through:

- ▶ respiratory droplets when you cough or sneeze
- ▶ close personal contact, such as touching or shaking hands
- ▶ touching something with the virus on it, then touching your eyes, nose or mouth before washing your hands

These viruses are not known to spread through ventilation systems or through water.

## IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS

If you have SYMPTOMS of COVID-19 — fever, cough, or difficulty breathing:

-  ▶ stay home to avoid spreading it to others
  - if you live with others, stay in a separate room or keep a 2-metre distance
-  ▶ call ahead before you visit a health care professional or call your local public health authority
  - tell them your symptoms and follow their instructions
-  ▶ if you need immediate medical attention, call 911 and tell them your symptoms.

## SYMPTOMS

Symptoms may be very mild or more serious. They may take up to 14 days to appear after exposure to the virus.



FEVER



COUGH



DIFFICULTY BREATHING

## PREVENTION

The best way to prevent the spread of infections is to:

-  ▶ wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
-  ▶ avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth, especially with unwashed hands
-  ▶ avoid close contact with people who are sick
-  ▶ when coughing or sneezing:
  - cover your mouth and nose with your arm or tissues to reduce the spread of germs
  - immediately dispose of any tissues you have used into the garbage as soon as possible and wash your hands afterwards
-  ▶ clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces, such as toys, electronic devices and doorknobs.
-  ▶ stay home if you are sick to avoid spreading illness to others

## FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CORONAVIRUS:

 1-833-784-4397

 [canada.ca/coronavirus](https://canada.ca/coronavirus)

 [phac.info.aspc@canada.ca](mailto:phac.info.aspc@canada.ca)

# COVID-19 Emergency Benefits

Benefits to help Canadians and businesses facing hardship as a result of the global COVID-19 outbreak.



## Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) with CRA

The Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) financial support for employed and self-employed Canadians affected by COVID-19 **has ended**. You can only apply retroactively for periods between March 15 and September 26, 2020.

## CRB (Canada Recovery Benefit)

The Canada Recovery Benefit (CRB) gives income support to employed and self-employed individuals who are directly affected by COVID-19 and are not entitled to Employment Insurance (EI) benefits. The CRB is administered by the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA).

If you are eligible for the CRB, you can receive \$1,000 (\$900 after taxes withheld) for a 2-week period. If your situation continues past 2 weeks, you will need to apply again. You may apply up to a total of 13 eligibility periods (26 weeks) between September 27, 2020 and September 25, 2021.



## Sections

[Who can apply: Canada Recovery Benefit \(CRB\)](#) Eligibility criteria for the CRB

[How much you can get: Canada Recovery Benefit \(CRB\)](#) Payment amounts and the impact on your taxes

[Periods you can apply for: Canada Recovery Benefit \(CRB\)](#) How the eligibility periods work and when they start

[How to apply: Canada Recovery Benefit \(CRB\)](#) When and how to apply for the CRB

[Keep getting your payments: Canada Recovery Benefit \(CRB\)](#) Be sure you're still eligible and re-apply

[Return a payment: Canada Recovery Benefit \(CRB\)](#) How to return or repay the CRB

[Contact us about CRB: Canada Recovery Benefit \(CRB\)](#) If you have questions about the CRB

## Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS)

As a Canadian employer whose business has been affected by COVID-19, you may be eligible for a subsidy of 75% of employee wages for up to 24 weeks, retroactive from March 15, 2020, to August 29, 2020.

A proposal has been made to continue the CEWS until June 2021, including possible changes to the rates and top-up calculation. [Read the October 14 announcement](#) and check back soon for details. Applications for claim period 7 (August 30, 2020, to September 26, 2020) are now open.

This wage subsidy will enable you to re-hire workers previously laid off as a result of COVID-19, help prevent further job losses, and better position you to resume normal operations following the crisis.

## Sections

[What the changes are: Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy \(CEWS\)](#) The latest changes, why you should apply, and the basics of how it works

[Who can apply: Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy \(CEWS\)](#) Find out if you are eligible to apply for the subsidy

[Periods you can apply for: Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy \(CEWS\)](#) Claim period dates and which periods you can apply for today

[Which of your employees qualify: Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy \(CEWS\)](#) Which employees you can include in your claim and payroll information you will need

[Calculate your subsidy amount: Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy \(CEWS\)](#) Use our calculator to find out how much your wage subsidy may be

[How to apply: Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy \(CEWS\)](#) How to submit an application for the wage subsidy

[After you apply: Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy \(CEWS\)](#) Getting your payment, reapplying for other periods, changing a claim, and our review of claims

[Contact us about CEWS: Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy \(CEWS\)](#) How to contact the CRA about the wage subsidy

For more Canadian benefit information, go to <https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/covid19-emergency-benefits.html>



Delicious!



## Upcoming Events

Visit our website at <http://www.southeastnewcomer.com/category/upcoming-events>.

### Fitzpatrick Farm Fresh Virtual Tour



Join us for a episode of “Cooking With Sweet Corner!”

Sweet Corner Bakery and Pastry is going to share one of their popular baking dishes by a Zoom session. Want to know what they will be cooking? Register and watch along.

Event Date and Time TBA in near future on our Facebook. For further information and to register please call (306)637-4920.

Food Picture above to get your mouth watering!

We have an exciting virtual event coming up! Who wants to see cute farm animals? #raisehands

Register for a virtual fun day on the farm with @Fitzpatrick farm fresh. Join-in and take a tour of Fitzpatrick Farm to see how they raise their animals, grow food, and learn about farm life.

Virtual Tour August 19, 2020, starting at 1pm.

Register through email: [settlementadvisor.newcomer@sasktel.net](mailto:settlementadvisor.newcomer@sasktel.net)

For further information and to register please call (306)637-4920.



**Zoom Paint Night** - Social Distancing Blues? Join-in for a fun night of painting with professional Artist, Diane Hume from the comforts of your home. All supplies will be provided and delivered to your doorstep. There might be some goodies included.

Our planned Zoom event will be October 17, 2020 starting at 7:00 pm.

For further information and to register please call (306)637-4920.





# CULTURE DAYS 2020

**SOCIALLY DISTANT COLLABORATIVE MURAL PROJECT**  
THIS YEAR WE WILL BE TRANSFORMING A PHOTOGRAPH BY JOHN WOODWARD

**AUGUST 24-25TH 7-8PM LEISURE CENTRE SUN ROOM**

TO BOOK YOUR SPOT IN THIS FREE PROGRAM, SEND US A DM OR REACH OUT VIA EMAIL TO: [WEYBURNARTSCOUNCIL@WEYBURN.CA](mailto:WEYBURNARTSCOUNCIL@WEYBURN.CA)  
MURAL MADE POSSIBLE VIA FUNDING PROVIDED BY:



Every year, we celebrate diversity for Saskatchewan's annual Culture Days.

This year, we are excited to announce that our partnership with Weyburn Arts Council, City of Weyburn, local Weyburn organizations/businesses, Artist and Newcomers will be VIRTUAL. For one month starting September 25th to October 25th, you can watch entertainment, view various artists doing their work, learn how to create unique cultural food and items. All from the comforts of your home. Keep a watch on our Facebook for upcoming details and a link to Weyburn's Culture Days website.

[facebook.com/SoutheastNewcomerServices/](https://facebook.com/SoutheastNewcomerServices/)

## Upcoming Events

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## Felting Critters:

A Fun event for our Settlement Workers In School (SWIS) students. Artist, Sheila Fonstad will guide our Newcomer students in creating magical critters made out of felt. WE know our SWIS kids will have fun creating critters. If you are a Newcomer family and need assistance in helping your children integrate into school, contact our SWIS program at 306-637-4920.



What you can expect on Weyburn's Culture Days 2020 website? Keep an eye out for the link. James Vollans will share his technique of Marvel graphics.





March 21, was International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

**#MarchOutRacism:**

The International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination is observed annually on 21 March. On that day, in 1960, police opened fire and killed 69 people at a peaceful demonstration in Sharpeville, South Africa, against the apartheid pass laws. Proclaiming the day in 1966, the United Nations General Assembly called on the international community to redouble its efforts to eliminate all forms of racial discrimination. Various activities and events are arranged in many countries worldwide on this day. Such events aim to help young people voice their opinions, find ways to fight racism, and promote tolerance in their communities and in their lives. **Early March**, these t-shirts created by Estevan Comprehensive High school students in our SWIS program helped to support International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. Southeast Newcomer Services and SWIS Estevan & Weyburn also joined the rest of the world to celebrate diversity and saying, NO TO RACISM.



**Estevan SWIS garden project**

Our Settlement Workers In Schools (SWIS) program is having fun learning to grow vegetables. SWIS not only helps kids integrate into school, but also help families to do fun stuff! Phone SWIS at 306-637-4920.



**Fall & Winter Holiday hours**

**September 7, 2020—Labour Day**  
Closed

**October 12, 2020— Thanksgiving**  
Closed

**November 11, 2020— Remembrance**  
Closed

**December 25, 2020— Christmas**  
Closed



**USE OUR OFFICE**  
Did not know? Our office has computers and scanner/printer for your use. Need a hotspot to access your devices? You can use ours! Phone and schedule an appointment to use our facility



# What's New In The Neighborhood



## NOTARY SERVICES

Notary Services available at SNS. To inquire about Notary services, phone us at 306-637-4920.

## Estevan Housing Authority has moved!

**New Location:**  
**Midtown Manor**  
**1336 5<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Estevan, SK**  
**306-634-6700**



Saskatchewan Housing Corporation (SHC) provides a range of programs and services to help Saskatchewan people in greatest housing need.

## Rental Housing for People with Low Incomes

**Ministry of Immigration and Career Training (MICT)**  
**assisting individuals by phone. Office currently closed to the**  
**public.**

**saskjobs.ca**  
real careers. real life.

**Contact Saskjobs:**

Toll-free Phone: 1-833-354-6914

Email: [saskjobs@gov.sk.ca](mailto:saskjobs@gov.sk.ca)

# Protect Yourself From FRAUD



 Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada

Immigration, Réfugiés et Citoyenneté Canada

Canada

## CRA SCAMS

The Canada Revenue Agency is once again warning Canadians to be careful about giving out financial information to anyone they can't verify is a CRA employee. The so-called "CRA scams" began emerging in 2013, according to the RCMP, and have since become a popular tool for defrauding people over the phone or by email. Visit the CRA website to learn how to protect yourself against fraud; <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/scrty/frdprvntn/menu-eng.html>.

Most tax returns must be filed on or before April 30, 2021.

### Here are some things the CRA will never do:

- Threaten you with immediate arrest or prison sentence.
- Ask for information about your passport, health card, or driver's licence.
- Request personal information to be sent by email.
- Email you a link requesting you fill in an online form with personal or financial details.
- Send you a link to your refund by email or text message.
- Setup an in-person meeting in a public place to take a payment.
- Demand immediate payment by prepaid credit card.

If you suspect a scam, contact the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre online at [www.antifraudcentre.ca](http://www.antifraudcentre.ca) or toll free at 1-888-495-8501.



## Immigration Consultant

Do you have immigration questions? Let us know and we can book you a 15minute free consultation with Regulated Canadian Immigration Consultant Daphne Lavina.

Daphne has over 20 years of consulting experience to provide the support you need. Immigration Clinics are conducted every other Tuesday between 2pm and 3pm.



# Growing Canada's future

## How do immigrants contribute to fields such as sports, business and health care?

More than 1.6 million people work in Canada's health-care sector and many more will be needed in the coming years to ensure continued access to high quality care. Almost 500,000 workers in the health-care sector are over the age of 55, and most of these will be retiring in the next decade or so. In addition, there are existing recruitment challenges from everywhere in Canada for nurses, residential care staff and home health-care staff. There's a clear opportunity for immigrants to play an important role in ensuring there are enough people working in the health-care sector.

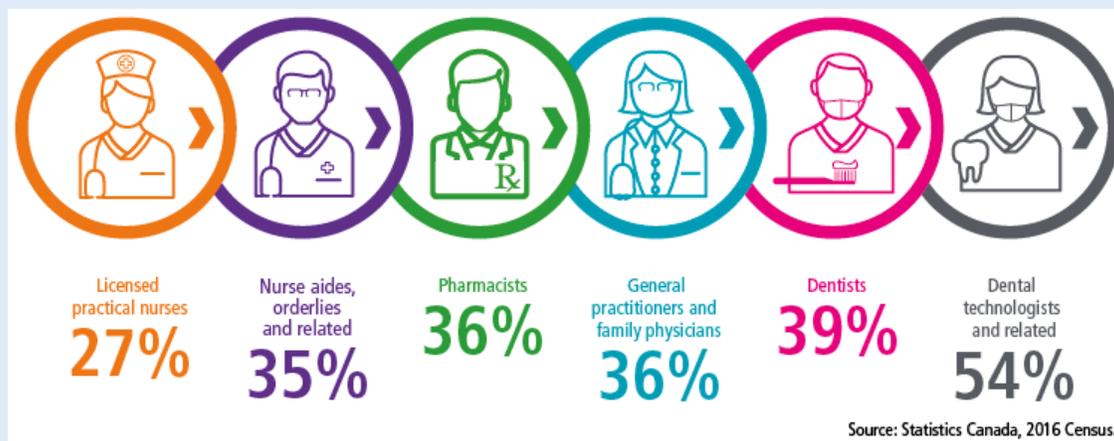
The sustainability and effectiveness of the Canadian health care system depend on an integrated and diverse workforce. We value the important contribution of immigrants to our health care system and welcome them to Canada!

Claire Betker, RN, MN, PhD, CCHN(C), President of the Canadian Nurses Association

### Impact of immigration

- Immigrants account for 1 out of every 4 health-care sector workers.
- Immigrants make up 36% of all pharmacists and family physicians across Canada, as well as 39% of all dentists, 27% of all licensed practical nurses and 35% of nurse aides and related occupations.
- More than 40% of all newcomers to Canada between 2011 and 2016 who were working in the health-care sector were employed in the important areas of nursing and residential care facilities, as well as home health-care services.

All statistics are from the Statistics Canada 2016 Census.



# What's New At Southeast Newcomer Services?—Introducing



## Our Transition Program For Newcomer Youth

The transition from high school into further education or the workplace is a big event in life. Our aim is to help make the move as easy as possible.

The Transition Services Program is an independent program run through Southeast Advocates for Employment and in conjunction with S.W.I.S. (Settlement Workers in Schools)

It is designed to support Newcomer youth from Grade 11 & 12 as they prepare to graduate out of high school and into employment and/or further education.

Our program aims to help students create positive and possible futures for themselves and we encourage the input of parents and family in the process.

### HOW WE CAN HELP

**POST SECONDARY SCHOOL VISITS  
RESUME /COVER LETTER WRITING  
POST SECONDARY SCHOOL VISITS  
SKILLS DEVELOPMENT  
CAREER PLANNING  
POST-SECONDARY EXPLORATION  
SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATIONS  
VOLUNTEERING  
STUDENT LOAN FORMS  
APPRENTICESHIPS  
FINANCIAL PLANNING HELP  
JOB SEARCH  
POST SECONDARY APPLICATIONS  
ONE TO ONE SUPPORT  
INDIVIDUALIZED SERVICES  
ACCOMMODATION GUIDANCE**

#### Offices:

##### **Estevan**

1112 6th Street  
S4A 1A8  
Tel: 306-634-9554

##### **Weyburn**

17 3rd Street  
S4H 0W1  
Tel: 306-842-9081

#### **Email:**

**[transitionconsultant@sasktel.net](mailto:transitionconsultant@sasktel.net)**

**BELIEVE YOU**

**CAN**

**AND**

**YOU WILL !**

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et Citoyenneté Canada

Southeast Newcomer Services relies on grants to help fund our programs and events. Each grant helps to make our events a success. We would like to recognize our Sponsors and thank them for making our Newcomers feel welcomed in our communities. We couldn't do it without you!

**SaskCulture**

<https://www.saskculture.ca/>



**Community Initiatives Fund**

<http://www.cifsask.org/>



**Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan**

<http://mcos.ca/>



**Saskatchewan Lotteries**

<http://www.sasklotteries.ca/home.htm>



**South Saskatchewan Community Foundation**

<http://sscf.ca/>



**Saskatchewan Parks & Recreation Association**

<https://www.spra.sk.ca/>



**South East Sport, Culture and Recreation District**

<https://www.southeastconnection.ca/>



**City of Estevan**

<http://estevan.ca/>



**City of Weyburn**

<https://weyburn.ca/>

## Southeast Newcomer Services

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17-3rd Street NE, Weyburn  
Phone: 306-842-9081  
Fax: 306-842-0205  
E-mail:  
newcomerservice@sasktel.net



### Check out our Social Media Pages

To get up to date news and events please feel free to check out our social media pages:

Follow our Facebook page, Southeast Newcomer Services, Link:

[www.facebook.com/SoutheastNewcomerServices/](http://www.facebook.com/SoutheastNewcomerServices/)

You may also visit our website:

[www.southeastnewcomer.com](http://www.southeastnewcomer.com)

Our Settlement Advisor works in Weyburn by appointments between 10:30-3:30 p.m.

If you are a newcomer in need of our assistance, please, phone 306-842-9081 to book an appointment or stop by our SNS office on 17-3rd Street NE.

We will also travel to meet with you.

Whether you are moving from another country, province, or an Aboriginal community, we are focused on making your transition to Southeast Saskatchewan fun and easy.

Southeast Newcomer Services serves all of the Southeast corner of Saskatchewan including centers like: Estevan, Weyburn, Radville, Fillmore, Stoughton, Lampman, Kipling, Carlyle, Redvers, Oxbow, Carnduff and other rural communities.



- SNS offer many services including use of computers, printing, faxing, scanning, telephone, access to up-to-date information, assistance with foreign qualification recognition, health card application, and much more, at no charge.
- There is a secondary office located at 17 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Weyburn, which offer free access to computers, printing, faxing scanning, telephone etc.
- Our Settlement Advisor will travel to meet you for appointments.
- We offer resume referral services. This allows for an experienced professional to sit with you and help create a great resume.
- We can visit your city or town to do presentations at no cost.
- Feel free to join our volunteer team and participate at our events and programs throughout the year.
- You can suggest information sessions and programs to be organized in your community.
- Follow us on Facebook, twitter or visit our website for updates on new events and programs.
- Newcomers does not only refer to individuals moving from outside the country, but Canadians moving from another province or Aboriginal Community.

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