

Community Resources Available Outside HRM & Privately Sponsored Refugees

SETTLEMENT SERVICES

YREACH - YMCA program that provides information, orientation and settlement support to refugees, immigrants, and temporary foreign workers and their families who are new to communities across the province of Nova Scotia.

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Pictou County (New Glasgow)	Wendy Hughes	wendy_hughes@ymca.ca	902-752-0202
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Yarmouth County (Yarmouth)	Dolares Atwood	dolares_atwood@ymca.ca	902-742-7181

ENGLISH CLASSES

Teaching Immigrants English - Pam Barrett (902-464-2868)

- For refugees and immigrants outside HRM or in rural areas
- Either by phone or online
- For English level assessment contact: Margaret Ryan (902-464-2868)

ISANS – LINC Home Study (Call: 902-423-3607)

- Offers flexible learning option for immigrants unable to attend English classes in person
- Learners can study online or speak to an instructor by phone or online once a week
- Priority given to immigrants in rural Nova Scotia where limited classes exist
- Waiting lists exist

EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT

Job Search Centres – available in cities and towns throughout Nova Scotia

ISANS - Pathways to Licensure (for regulated professions only)

- for refugees and immigrants whose work/profession requires license, certificate or registration
- Contact: employment_services@isans.ca

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT

ISANS – business support

- information, business planning advice and access to networks
- referrals to business training
- skills and resources for marketing, financing, human resources, business operations
- Contact: business@isans.ca