

Community Partnership #6

Start-End Year: 2009-2010	Project ID#: ITP80	Partnership Type: Internationally Trained Persons
Partnership Title: Local Diversity and Immigration Partnership Council		
Description of Proposed Partnership: This would represent continuation of 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 partnerships. DRLTB has representation on the newly-formed council and will lead outreach to the business community. The council will create inclusivity action strategies, including support to initiatives that will improve employment outcomes for newcomers and immigrants. Origin of Partnership: 2008 TOP Report – Trend: <u>Marginalized Workforce</u> , Issue # <u>1</u> , p <u>15-17</u> .		
Projected Outcomes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening Durham's capacity to welcome and provide resources so that immigrants, refugees and newcomers can fully integrate into community life. • Contribute to regional strategies and policies concerning immigration integration. • Up to 20 businesses and industries that would provide support to immigrant job seekers • Identify 12 potential immigrant mentors. 		
Key Partners: Education: Durham District School Boards; Durham College/UOIT. Government: Ministry of Citizenship & Immigration Canada; Regional Municipality of Durham Social Services, Economic Development and Tourism, Regional Planning Department, Regional Councillor, City of Oshawa, Service Canada, Industry: Whitby Chamber of Commerce, Oshawa Chamber of Commerce, Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade, Scugog Chamber of Commerce, Clarington Board of Trade, Downtown Oshawa Business Improvement Association, Town of Whitby Business Improvement Association. Employment Agencies/Service Providers: Community Development Council Durham; Durham Region Unemployed Help Centre, TRIEC, Maytree Foundation, Multicultural Council of Oshawa/Durham.		
Actual Outcomes: COMPLETED (ONGOING) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immigrant web portal project funded by MCI; working groups formed to write content for new site (launched March 11st, 2010) • Citizen newsletter published • Terms of reference and work plan created for new Diversity and Immigration Partnership Council; strategy session to improve labour market outcomes for newcomers took place November 18th, 2009 (see proposed 2010-2011 community partnership) 		
Product: One regional status/progress report.		
DRLTB Contributions and Partner Contributions (Financial and In-Kind): Mostly in-kind; primary funding to develop web portal for newcomers from Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration; significant in-kind from Region of Durham Social Services Department.		