

Pathways to Prosperity: New Policy Directions and Innovative Local Practices for Newcomer Integration and Attraction

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Goals

- To work with and support communities across Canada, especially small and mid-sized centres, to become more receptive and better able to serve the needs of newcomers and minorities
- To equip community organizations and municipal governments with the tools they need to devise and implement evidence-based strategies that address challenges in inclusion, local development, and economic and social sustainability
- To work with practitioners and policymakers to help clarify strategic priorities, conduct analyses, and improve policies and programs through the co-creation of knowledge

- To ensure that research findings are translated into effective advice and formats that are widely used by practitioners and policy-makers
- To provide a multitude of training opportunities for the current and next generation of researchers, policy-makers, and practitioners



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Partners and Collaborators

- **Over 100 Community and Policy Partners including:**
 - **9 Provincial Governments**
 - **CIC NHQ and Regional Divisions**
 - **Municipal Governments**
 - **Settlement Umbrella Organizations and Service Providers**
 - **Francophone, Ethnocultural and Economic Organizations**
 - **Research and Historical Associations**
 - **Universities: Over 180 collaborators from more than 50 universities**

Partners

✓ **Settlement Organizations**

- Umbrella Organizations: e.g., CISSA-ACSEI, AAISA, OCASI, ARAISA, TCRI
- Service Providers: e.g., Regina Open Door Society, Contact interculturel francophone de Sudbury, Association for New Canadians, Kamloops Immigrant Services

Partners

- ✓ **Francophone, Ethnocultural, and Economic Organizations**
 - Francophone: e.g., Fédération des communautés francophones et acadienne (FCFA) du Canada, Association canadienne-française de l'Alberta
 - Ethnocultural: e.g., Surrey Neighbouring Faiths Program, Actions interculturelles (AIDE)
 - Economic: e.g., Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce, Greater Halifax Partnership

Partners

✓ **Municipal Governments**

- Cities, Towns, and Regions: e.g., City of Moncton, City of Calgary, City of North Bay
- City Umbrella Organizations: e.g., Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Federation of Canadian Municipalities

✓ **Provincial Governments**

- 9 Provincial Migration Ministries: e.g., Government of PEI – Population Growth Secretariat, Government of Manitoba – Labour and Immigration

Partners

✓ **Federal Government**

- Citizenship and Immigration Canada – NHQ (Integration Branch and Research & Evaluation), 5 Regional Branch Offices
- Other: e.g., Rural and Cooperatives Secretariat, Policy Horizons Canada

✓ **Research and Historical Associations**

- Research: e.g., Environics Research Group, Canadian Rural Revitalization Foundation
- Historical: e.g., Pier 21, Canadian Immigration Historical Society

Key Features

- ✓ Scholarship of engagement: Research that meets the needs of communities, and that combines local expertise with academic scholarship in order to address practical concerns and challenges
- ✓ Cross-regional, comparative program of research: Teams in each region collaborating on common projects that address issues of national interest
- ✓ Responsiveness to local needs: Regional nodes also work on issues of more local concern

- ✓ Innovation focus: Focus on identifying and analyzing promising practices, with a view to facilitating their transfer across locations and areas of practice
- ✓ Support for outcomes measurement: Support for evidence-based programming through targeted research on outcomes and performance measurement
- ✓ Support for Local Immigration Partnerships as they roll out across the country, and for similar place-based initiatives

**We Welcome
New Collaborators and Partners**

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