

# SEPYR

## MISSION STATEMENT

We are dedicated to building bridges to link newcomers with schools and the community by:

- Providing access to settlement services and community resources
- Bridging the gap between newcomer families and the schools
- Providing referral services to newcomer families
- Enabling newcomer families to get involved in the Canadian education system
- Providing cultural interpretation services to the schools and the families
- Assisting school staff to identify and provide solutions to the needs of the newcomer families



## New to Canada

## How can you reach us?

### Offices:

#### Settlement and Education Partnership in York Region

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# Settlement and Education Partnership in York Region (SEPYR)

## Objectives

The focus of the **Settlement and Education Partnership of York Region (SEPYR)** Program is to facilitate the introduction of newcomer students and their families to the school and education system and to provide services to the whole family by connecting the family to the necessary resources in the community that support the settlement process.

## Target Clients

All newcomer students and families in York region:

- Landed Immigrants
- Convention Refugees
- Refugee Claimants
- Permit Holders:  
*Minister's Permit*  
*Student Authorization*

## What services do we provide?

- Information and Orientation:  
Canadian school system, health, legal issues, public transportation, housing, police, recreation, etc.
- Referrals to community resources and government services:  
Job search, LINC, ESL, ESL for foreign trained professionals, OHIP, SIN and others
- Adjustment counselling
- Cultural interpretation and limited translation
- Advocacy:  
Advocate on clients' behalf when necessary
- Workshops on settlement-related areas such as education, health, parenting, employment, youth issues, taxation, integration

**All Services are free and confidential.**

## We can help you in English or one of these languages.

Cantonese, Mandarin	416-666-2929
Cantonese, Mandarin, Taishanese	416-566-1733
Farsi, Dari	416-721-7888
Hindi, Urdu, Tamil	416-305-1115
Urdu, Punjabi,	416-301-3878
Hindi, Pashto	
Korean	416-358-2212
Korean, Japanese	416-670-4778
Filipino	416-918-2182
Russian	416-616-6789;
	416-456-8853
Spanish	416-616-2989
Hebrew	416-509-4429

Or 905-731-8281

