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We strive to be an inclusive organisation, representing and empowering migrant communities in Ireland E-NEWSLETTER



Ukraine Response

On the 23rd of June Ukraine was granted candidate status by the European Council. This is an important step in Ukraine becoming a member of the European Union. Here in Ireland the government have approved the provision of 500 modular houses to accommodate Ukrainians fleeing war. The first of the houses are expected to be ready by November, but all 500 will not be completed until 2023. These houses will be built across 20 sites throughout the country and will house 2,000 people.

Recognition of migrant women and minority communities in new DSGBV strategy

The third Domestic Sexual Gender-Based Violence strategy was led by the Minister for Justice Helen McEntee. The zero tolerance strategy recognises migrant women among individuals and Groups that may require additional inclusion measures to address DSGBV. It also highlights human trafficking, and the need to support the recovery of migrant women in prostitution. More information can be found here.

Welcome to the 3rd Edition of NCP's E-Newsletter

Discrimination Report

The Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth have published a report about discrimination in Ireland. Almost 70% of respondents felt that having an immigrant background would have at least some influence on their chances of being recruited. The report also found that those who had a non-white ethnicity were most likely to experience some form of discrimination (33%). Read more about the report here.

My health my language

HSE National Social Inclusion Office and Translate Ireland have developed a series of videos entitled 'My health, my language' for migrants and international protection applicants to give them information on healthcare in Ireland. The videos on II health topics are translated into 17 languages: English, Irish, Arabic, Czech, French, Georgian, Chinese (Simplified), Romanian, Russian, Lithuanian, Polish, Portuguese, Slovak, Spanish, Somali, Ukrainian and Urdu. The videos contain important health information and are presented by healthcare professionals originally from other countries. <u>Click here to find out more</u>

Migrant Women - Opportunities for Work



We completed our second training for our third year in June with these wonderful ladies from seven different countries. We have two more training sessions scheduled for 2022. Our 3rd Training will be from 01.09.2022 to 29.09.2022 every Tuesday and Thursday. For more information and how to register visit our website.

Drug Use and Drug-related Issues in Migrant Communities

June 15th marked an important day for NCP as we launched the First Phase of an Action Research Project On "Drug Use and Drug-related Issues in Migrant Communities". NCP is very aware of the growing challenge within our migrant communities of addressing the issue of drug use. We know the devastating impact drug use can have on individuals, families and communities alike. This research was carried out by Community Action Network (CAN) and was supported by Citywide Drugs Crisis Campaign as part of its role as the national representative body for communities in the drug strategy.



The Minister of State for Public Health, Well Being and National Drugs Strategy, Frank Feighan T.D. was in attendance at the event and spoke of the importance of research such as this. Pat Tobin from CAN presented a brief summary of the report, and there were speeches from NCP's CEO Cherif Labreche and Anna Quigley from CityWide. The report made a number of findings on the factors which contribute to drug use in migrant communities. Notably, it highlighted the importance of access to health and social welfare services. Barriers such as lack of translation services and cultural mistrust unfortunately make it more difficult for people with a migrant background. NCP was delighted to present this research and to contribute to tackling drug related issues in migrant communities.



Book Launch: From Afghanistan to Ireland by Nasruddin Saljuqi



The launch of Nasruddin Saljuqi's latest book, titled: From Afghanistan to Ireland was held in the Irish Writers Centre on the 15th of June.



During the launch there was speeches from the book's editor Aoife McGrane, Dr. James Carr, Aoife Harte from UNHCR, NCP's CEO Cherif Labreche and Shaykh Umar Al-Qadri, Chairperson of Irish Muslim Peace and Integration Council and Chief Imam Islamic Centre of Ireland. All the speakers emphasized the remarkable impact Saljuqqi has had on the Afghan and wider migrant community here in Ireland.

Nasruddin Saljuqi was born in Herat, Afghanistan in 1956. When the conflict of war forced him to leave Afghanistan, he initially emigrated to Iran where he worked for several years before eventually relocating to Ireland with his family. Since his arrival in Ireland, Saljuqi has helped to establish a cultural community with and amongst other Afghans in Ireland. He is the founder and chairperson of the Afghan Community and Cultural Association (ACCI), a member of New Communities Partnership, and Dublin City Forum.



Saljuqi is the author of 15 other books which have been published and launched in a number of countries. He is also the recipient of many awards including the Justice and Peace Foundation's Distinguished Ambassador of Islam and the Visionary of Peace Award (2010) in recognition of his sterling work towards justice and reconciliation, and a reward from Islamic Republic of the Afghanistan Ministry of Culture and Information (20|4)in appreciation for his activities and services in the areas of field research, writing and translation.

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The aim of this service is to support migrant families who experience child protection interventions and empower migrant parents by providing culturally sensitive support and encouraging positive parenting practices.

Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP)

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The programme focuses on reducing poverty and promoting social inclusion and equality through local and regional engagement and collaboration. Its vision is to improve the life chances and opportunities of those who are marginalised in society, living in poverty or in unemployment through community development approaches like involvement of migrants at all levels in society.

National Development & Integration

Scheme to Support National Organisations in the Community and Voluntary Sector(SSNO)

NCP's National development & integration officer is responsible for initiating, maintaining and developing a sustainable working relationship with key groups and individuals engaged with NCP, actively promoting awareness of social inclusion, integration and anti-poverty issues in the new communities. Support is available for individuals as well as groups.

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Migrant Women - Opportunities for Work

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Mi-WOW aims to explore, support, and overcome specific barriers that migrant women are facing in Ireland during their job-seeking journeys. Mi-WOW is designed to empower migrant women to reach their potential, rebuilding their confidence, and upgrading their skills to facilitate their access to the labour market and/or career progression in ways that are linked to their professional goals.

Citizenship Application Support Service (CASS)

In our CASS Office (Citizenship Application Support Service) it's always a pleasure to see very happy clients. Our latest client just received her Irish Naturalisation, here on the left pictured with our information officer Lyudmila. CASS provides information and "one to one" advice service for individuals and families applying for Irish naturalisation in different languages. CASS annually supports 400+ citizenship applications.

If you need any support/information please contact us: citizenshipsupport@newcommunities.ie

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