

## *ISSofBC increases awareness of refugee newcomer populations in Metro Vancouver*



ISSofBC Settlement Services recently produced a publication, *Changing Faces and Neighbourhoods 2010–2013*, which provides in-depth information on Government Assisted Refugees (GARs) settlement patterns in Metro Vancouver.

The publication, available on [ISSofBC's website](#), includes data on refugee issues, demographic characteristics of GARs in BC, and personal stories from refugees

in their journeys of building new lives in Canada.

"The purpose of this publication is to increase the awareness of refugee newcomer populations who are settling in Metro Vancouver," said ISSoBC CEO Patricia Woroch and Board of Directors President Manchan Sonachansingh in the opening remarks of the report which was released mid-May.

[Read the publication](#)



## Staff demonstrate ISSoBC's strengths in ESL industry

ISSoBC Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada (LINC) staff shared their expertise among peers early May during Canada's English as a Second Language (ESL) conference in Regina.

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## Newcomer entrepreneurs connect with experienced business owners

Successful business owners with immigrant backgrounds shared their experience with aspiring newcomer entrepreneurs May 22.

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## LINC students run water station for thirsty athletes

Athletes running the BMO Vancouver Marathon early May were well hydrated during the 42 kilometre race thanks in part to a dedicated group of ISSoBC volunteers. [Read More](#)

## ISSofBC participates in Children's Health Fair

Staff and students in Squamish highlighted free English classes available to newcomers in the Sea to Sky Corridor and Sunshine Coast to over 50 families and exhibitors during the Children's Health Fair Friday, May 23.

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## BC government renews LCC Education Quality Assurance designation

Under the new Citizenship and Immigration Canada's International Student Program, ISS Language & Career College of BC (LCC) is now one of the Canadian colleges that can officially host international students with study permits for more than 6 months.

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## ISSofBC's blog shares career insights and tips

Survival jobs are more than just about making ends meet. ISSofBC's Gwen Pawlikowski explains this type of employment has at least seven amazingly good benefits in this week's blog posting.

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# Upcoming events

[New Welcome House groundbreaking ceremony](#) – On UN World Refugee Day, ISSofBC celebrates the start of construction on our new one-stop housing and support centre for refugees and immigrants. Join us June 20.

[Calendar of events](#) – Career fairs, employment workshops, life skills and much, much more. This is the ISSofBC weekly list of events for all your employment settlement and language needs.

*Various dates and locations.*

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