



Helping Immigrants Build a Future in Canada

Government-Assisted Refugee (GAR) Bulletin – April 2012

Statistical highlights: January 1, 2012 – March 31, 2012:

- 97 individuals – 40% female / 60% male - 59 family units plus 3 units or 5 individuals who self transferred to BC from other provinces;
- 30 individuals or 30% were children and youth under 18 years old; 14% or 14 youth were between 13 and 18 years old; 8% or 8 children were between 6 and 12 years old; 8% or 8 children were under 6 years
- 1 individuals or 1% were 65 and above;
- Top 5 destinations by municipality – Surrey 22 (23%), Coquitlam 20 (21%), Burnaby 18 (19%), New Westminister 10 (10%) and Vancouver, North Vancouver 7 (7%) each;
- Out of a total of 12 different source countries, the top 5 source countries were: Afghanistan 24 (25%), Iran 24 (25%), DRC 14 (14%), Somalia 13 (13%), and Iraq 12 (12%);
- As of March 31, 2012 11.5% of the annual calendar year target (844) had arrived in BC.

(Breakdown of statistics by municipality are available upon request)

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