INQUIRIES

You Asked

What forms need to be filled for the OYW application and when should we submit the application?

Our Answer

An Overview of the One-Year Window of **Opportunity provision (OYW)**



The Principal Applicant has one year after their date of arrival in Canada to submit the OYW application.

Important Information

- X The current SAH Association Membership year ends on December 31 2017 and the new membership year begins January 1 2018.
- Application forms must to be submitted to the SAH Association by January 31 2018.
- X The annual membership fee is \$100.00 per membership.

Membership information and applications can be found here:

http://www.sahassociation.com/membership/

For more information, please contact the SAH Secretariat: Ellen Woolaver at ewoolaver@sahsecretariat.com

To be eligible:

- The principal applicant must have been authorized to enter Canada as a member of the Convention refugee from abroad class (CR) or Country of asylum class (RA).
- The non-accompanying member must be a family member of the principal applicant as defined in R1(3): spouse, common-law partner, dependent children, and dependent children of dependent children of the principal applicant.
 - They must be declared in the initial application of the PA.
 - They must also meet the definition of family members when the OYW application is submitted
- If PA has a new spouse or child after the initial application is submitted, the family members must be declared as soon as there is a change in a family composition or at least before departure to Canada.
 - **De facto dependents** are not eligible under the OYW program as they do not meet the definition of a family member outlined in R1(3).

Documents Needed:

The following documents must be submitted to ROC-O for OYW applications:

- Request for Processing Family Members under the One-Year Window of Opportunity Provisions (IMM 5571) (PDF, 660.67 KB);
- Copy of the PA's PR card (the parent who is in Canada and submitting the request); and
- Generic Application for Canada (IMM 0008); and, if applicable, (in the case of children without parents, you will need to complete IMM 0008 form for each child separately, the parent in Canada signs these application forms)
- Schedule A Background/Declaration (IMM 5669) (for dependants 18 years and older)
- One photo per appendix B http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/information/applications/guides/E16000TOC.asp#appendixB

The back of one (1) photo must:

- bear the name and date of birth of the subject, as well as the name and complete address of the photography studio:
- bear the date the photo was taken;
- The photographer may use a stamp or handwrite this information. Stick-on labels are not accepted.

To download the One-Year Window of Opportunity forms please visit: http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/information/applications/guides/5578ETOC.asp

Available BOVR Profiles

BVOR PROFILE #: <u>0756-11-2017</u>

XREF: BVOR 0757-11-17 (son)

Burundian family of five

The PA is a 58-year-old married man with children. The family speaks both official languages and are well-educated. They cannot return to their home country due to ongoing unrest and instability. They are travelling with their son on BVOR 0757-11-17 and must be resettled together. The PA and his family would appreciate the assistance of a sponsor during their resettlement. The PA has a brother in Montreal, but would like to resettle in Ontario.

BVOR PROFILE #: 0710-10-17

Syrian family of five

Preferred destination: Ottawa, ON

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To protect...
To give...
Refugees
a healthy TOMORROW!

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Syrian BVOR family where the PA is a 37-year-old married man with three children. The PA has experience as a baker and his wife as a tailor. The family is unable to return to Syria due to the instability and lack of safety for their family. The family would benefit from a sponsor in Ottawa, ON.

BVOR PROFILE #: 0678-09-17

Burmese family of three

Preferred destination: Saskatoon, SK

PA is a 26-year-old married man with one child. He has 12 years of formal education and experience working as a teacher. He teaches English, Science and History to grades 1 to 8. His spouse has nine years of formal education and was a social worker with children and elderly people in the camp. The family would like to resettle in Saskatoon, SK to be close to a friend. They would appreciate the assistance of a sponsor.

BVOR PROFILE #: #: 0678-09-17

Pakistani family of four

Preferred Destination: Toronto, ON

The PA and his spouse have post-secondary education and speak Urdu. Along with their two children, they are unable to return to their country of origin due to fears for their safety. They would benefit from the support of a sponsor in Canada.

BVOR PROFILE #: 0737-10-17

Congolese family of six

Preferred destination: Medicine Hat, AB

The family fled the Democratic Republic of the Congo along with other relatives due to political conflict and violence. They would like to be resettled with other family members in Alberta.

BVOR PROFILE #: 0664-09-17

Eritrean Family of five

Preferred destination: Fort McMurray, AB

The PA is a 43-year-old married man with three children. His spouse has experience as a farmer. The PA cannot return to his home country as he fears for his safety and persecution due to ongoing ethnic conflicts. The PA has a cousin who resides in Edmonton, AB. The family would appreciate the assistance of a sponsor.

Another 56 BVOR cases are available!

The majority are Congolese cases with a recommended destination.

If you are interested, log in to the RSTP Matching Database with your username and password: cathcrosscultural.sharepoint.com/rstp

Available JAS Profiles

In-Canada JAS

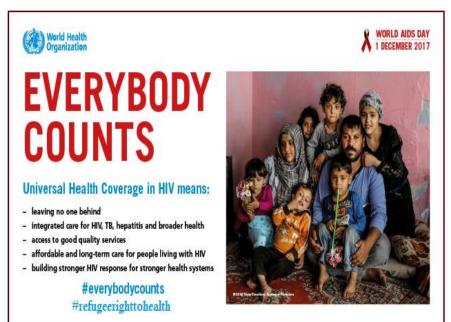
PROFILE #: 0762-11-17

XREF: 0761-11-17

Family composition:

Two Iraqi linked In-Canada JAS cases. The first is a family of five and the second is the principal applicant's elderly mother. The family recently arrived in Toronto, ON and does not feel they have had sufficient opportunity to settle and integrate into Canadian society. They are eager to learn about their community and Canada, but do not know what questions to ask.

Language: The children are in school and both the husband and wife are busy preparing them, dropping them off and picking them up. The husband's mother (or



picking them up. The husband's mother (0762-11-17) is unable to assist due to mobility issues. They have been unable to consistently attend classes offered through the Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada, and feel isolated due to language.

Support needed:

- community-mapping
- navigating the local public transit system
- understanding what services are available to them
- connection with a family or support group
- to feel more included in Canadian society
- help with integration and settlement

PROFILE #: 0763-11-17

XREF: 0764-11-17

Family composition: This Iraqi family of seven, including five children aged 4 to 7, recently arrived in Toronto, ON, along with the principal applicant's mother and siblings (0764-11-17). They have now moved into their own home and the children have started school.

Language: The principal applicant has had no opportunity to obtain formal education, while the husband's educational attainment is limited. However, they have been scheduled for language classes. and are in the process of familiarizing themselves with public transit.

Support needed:

- getting to know their local community and Canadian culture
- exploring employment options
- becoming more familiar and comfortable with navigating their local community
- accessing resources/services
- involving the family in seasonal and cultural activities
- parenting support
- helping the children engage in activities outside the home

An additional 22 In-Canada JAS cases are available!

For more information on in-Canada JAS profiles or on the BVOR Program contact our Refugee Resettlement Project Worker at bvor@rstp.ca or click this link: http://www.rstp.ca/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/Blended-VOR-FAO 2017-1-1.pdf

Upcoming RSTP Workshops & Webinars

Workshops

New Brunswick

Supporting Settlement and Integration

Date: Wednesday, December 6, 2017

Time: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm AST

Location: 167 Boulevard Hébert, Edmundston, NB, E3V 4H2

Register by clicking the following link:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/refugee-sponsorshipworkshop-supporting-settlement-and-integration-tickets-**39777983018** or by emailing RSTP Atlantic Trainer Laura

Hambleton at lhambleton@rstp.ca

Ontario:

How to Sponsor Afghan Refugees

Date: Friday December 08, 2017

Time: 6:15 pm to 8:15 pm EST (Sign-in starts at 6:00 pm)

Location: Fairview Toronto Public Library, Meeting Room 2, 2nd Floor, 35 Fairview Mall Drive, Toronto, ON M2J 4S4

Register by clicking the following link:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/interested-in-sponsoring-

afghan-refugees-tickets-40159657617

British Columbia:

A Focus on Post-Arrival Settlement and Integration

Matters

Date: Saturday, December 9, 2017 Time: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm PST

Location: RSTP office at MOSAIC Headquarters.

5575 Boundary Rd, Vancouver, BC

Register by clicking the following link:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/after-arrival-free-workshopon-private-sponsorship-of-refugees-tickets-40107527695

Webinars

Introduction to the Private Sponsorship of Refugees Program

Date: December 7, 2017

Time: 1 pm EST

Description: This webinar will cover: X Launch of PSR program and its evolution

PSR as part of resettlement

Eligibility criteria for sponsors and refugee

applicants

Sponsorship process

Register by clicking the following link:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3149

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Groups of Five and Community Sponsors

Date: December 12, 2017

Time: 2 pm EST

Description: This webinar will cover:

Overview of G5 and CS sponsorship

Application forms for G5 and CS

Application forms for refugee applicants

X The sponsorship process

Register by clicking the following link:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1911

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Supporting Settlement and Integration

Date: December 15, 2017

Time: 2 pm EST

Description: This webinar will cover:

Sponsor responsibilities

Connecting with settlement services for newcomers

Ethical considerations in sponsorship

X Managing expectations

Register by clicking the following link:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8548 526271653863171



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