

# BULLETIN

The latest news and updates on Canada's Refugee Sponsorship and Resettlement Programs

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



### Question

When preparing an application package, can copies of documents that are not in English or French be translated overseas?

### Answer

Yes, documents can be translated overseas.

IRCC's requirements for translations are detailed below:

You must submit the following for any document that is not in English or French unless otherwise stated on your document checklist:

- The English or French translation
- An affidavit from the person who completed the translation
- A certified copy of the original document

Translations must not be done by:

The sponsors or the applicants themselves, or any of the applicant's family members.

An affidavit is a document on which the translator has sworn, in the presence of a person authorized to administer oaths in the country where the translator is living, that the contents of their translation are a true translation and representation of the contents of the original document.

- In Canada, the affidavit must be sworn in the presence of either a notary public, a commissioner of oaths or a commissioner of taking affidavits.
- To translate a document outside Canada, consult the local authorities.

Translators who are certified in Canada do not need to supply an affidavit.

Further information about these requirements can be found in the [IMM 5413 Guide for SAHs](#), the [IMM 2200 Guide for Groups of Five](#) and the [IMM 2201 Guide for Community Sponsors](#)

## TRANSFORMING LIVES: AN INSIDE LOOK AT THE LATEST BVOR PROFILE LISTINGS

Great news! A fresh batch of BVOR profiles has just been uploaded on May 2nd, and they're available for **THREE** whole weeks until **May 23rd!**

You won't want to miss these incredible opportunities to sponsor refugees and make a difference in their lives.

The profiles include a family of 7 from DRC, a linked case of a family of 4 with the spouse's sister from Columbia, and two linked families from Iraq.

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## SUDAN CONFLICT: CANADA'S IMMIGRATION MEASURES TO SUPPORT REFUGEES AND FAMILIES

The Government of Canada has announced new immigration measures to support Sudanese nationals, including temporary residents from Sudan who are currently in Canada and may be unable to return home due to the rapidly deteriorating situation in the country.

The new measures will include:

- Sudanese nationals are able to [apply for an extension of their status in Canada and move between temporary streams](#), allowing them to continue studying, working or visiting family free of charge.
- [Prioritizing the processing](#) of completed temporary and permanent residence applications already in the system from people still in Sudan, including visitor visa applications, so they can travel once it's safe to do so.
- A [temporary measure](#) that will allow eligible family members of Canadian citizens and permanent residents that are outside of Sudan or left Sudan on or after April 15, 2023, to apply for a fee-exempt temporary residence document to travel to Canada.

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## UPCOMING RSTP WEBINARS/WORKSHOPS

### PREPARING A SETTLEMENT PLAN: THE FINANCIAL AND SETTLEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES OF SPONSORS UNDER THE PSR PROGRAM

An informative session where you'll discover the ins and outs of the Financial and Settlement Responsibilities, the Sponsor's Responsibilities, the Relationship between the Cost Table and the RAP Rates, and the crucial post-arrival factors for providing financial support.

Whether a first-time sponsor or a seasoned pro, you can take advantage of these essential tips and strategies for ensuring a successful sponsorship experience.

Register now and prepare to make a positive difference in the lives of refugees!

Date: May 18th  
Time: 2:30 PM MDT

Virtually: via Zoom

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### HOW TO PREPARE A SUCCESSFUL PSR APPLICATION

This webinar provides an overview of the Blended Visa Office-Referral program for groups and individuals interested in sponsoring refugees and individuals interested in sponsoring refugees.

Participants will learn about eligibility requirements, the application process, and sponsor responsibilities.

This is a valuable resource for those seeking to positively impact the lives of refugees in Canada.

Date: May 31st  
Time: 2:30 PM MDT

Virtually: via Zoom

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### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WEBINAR FOR SETTLEMENT PROFESSIONALS: SUPPORTING PRIVATELY SPONSORED REFUGEES

This webinar is specifically for settlement professionals. It will introduce participants to the Refugee Sponsorship Training Program's Settlement Support Connection project. It will cover the following topics:

- Key elements of the Private Sponsorship of Refugees (PSR) and Blended Visa Office-Referral (BVOR) programs.
- IRCC's expectations for sponsored refugees to access government-funded settlement services.
- The complementary roles of sponsors and settlement professionals in providing settlement support.
- Description of the Settlement Support Connection project.
- Best practices for collaboration with sponsors.

Settlement professionals who attend this webinar may receive referrals from our team.

Date: May 18th  
Time: 1:00 PM EDT

Virtually: via Zoom

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### PREPARING A SETTLEMENT PLAN AS A GROUP OF FIVE

This illuminating session is where you'll discover the Financial and Settlement Responsibilities, the Sponsor's Responsibilities, the Relationship between the Cost Table and the RAP Rates, and the crucial post-arrival factors for providing financial support.

Whether you're a seasoned sponsor or just starting out, you'll walk away with valuable insights and strategies for ensuring a smooth and successful sponsorship experience.

Date: May 24th  
Time: 3:00 PM MDT

Virtually: via Zoom

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