Refugee Sponsorship Training Program

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

CAN A PRINCIPAL APPLICANT (PA) INCLUDE A **MINOR CHILD THEY HAVE LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP OF** ON THE SAME APPLICATION **PACKAGE?**

If the PA only has legal guardianship of the minor child (and the child has not been legally adopted), the child cannot be listed on the same application as the PA as they do not meet IRCC's definition of a family. However, the child can still be sponsored with the guardian as a **de** facto dependent. As a de facto dependent, the minor

child would be a PA on their own separate application package (i.e., they need a separate Sponsorship Undertaking, Settlement Plan, Sponsor Assessment, Generic Application Form for Canada, Schedule A and Schedule 2). The child's application can be linked to the guardian's application using the relevant sections of each Sponsorship Undertaking. A cover letter **must** be included with

both applications that identifies the

child as a de facto dependent of the guardian. The letter should also explain the emotional and/or financial dependency between them (the test for de facto dependency) and how the relationship formed, including information on the whereabouts of the parents. A copy of the guardianship document should also be included with the application along with copies of any documents that establish the emotional and/or financial dependency. WHAT IF THE MINOR CHILD HAS BEEN LEGALLY ADOPTED

If the child has been legally adopted by the PA, they can be included on the same application as the child meets

BY THE PA?

IRCC's definition of a family. Sponsors should select the 'child under the age of 22' option when listing them in **Section B** of the Sponsorship

Undertaking form. The PA should select the 'Adopted Child' option when listing the child on the Generic Application Form for Canada. A copy of the adoption certificate should be included with the application package, along with a cover letter explaining that the child has been

legally adopted and the circumstances that led to the adoption.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE **NEW HUMANITARIAN** PATHWAY FOR COLOMBIAN. HAITIAN AND VENEZUELAN **FOREIGN NATIONALS** The requirements for the new humanitarian

NOW AVAILABLE!

Venezuelan nationals with family in Canada have been published on IRCC's website. To be eligible, the foreign national must:

Be a Colombian, Haitian or Venezuelan

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- Be in Mexico, Central or South America, or the Caribbean;
- Be a spouse, common-law partner, child (regardless of age), grandchild, parent,
- grandparent or sibling of a Canadian citizen or permanent resident who is willing and eligible to support your application (an "anchor"); Plan to live outside Quebec; and, Have a valid passport or eligible travel or identity document.
- To be eligible as an "anchor" relative in

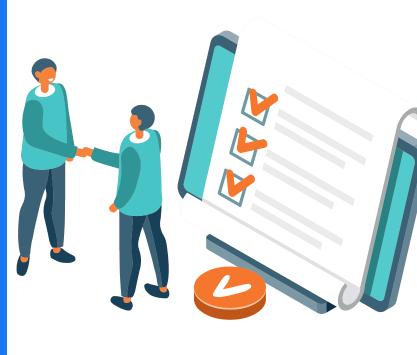
Quebec).

Canada, individuals must be a Canadian citizen or Permanent Resident, 18 years of age or older and reside in Canada (outside of

For further information about the requirements and how to apply, including the responsibilities of "anchor" relatives in Canada and the foreign nationals' eligibility for settlement services

CLICK HERE THE PRESS RELEASE FOR THE PATHWAY IS

AVAILABLE HERE





UNLOCKING THE PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS: PRIVATE SPONSORSHIP'S ROLE IN REFUGEES LANDING HIGHER-SKILLED

JOBS

Higher-Skilled Jobs," Claire Holba explores the impactful role of private sponsorship in connecting refugees with meaningful employment. With insights from Canada's success, Holba highlights the potential for private sponsorship to fast-track economic self-sufficiency and integration into the U.S.

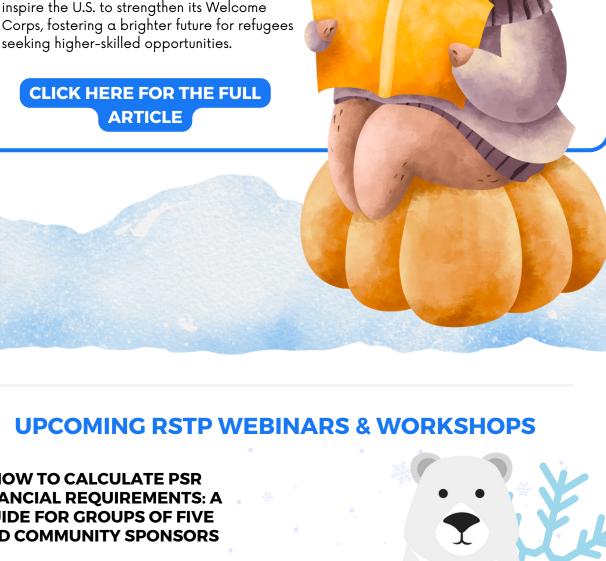
In her article, "Lessons from Canada: Private Sponsorship Can Help Refugees Land

role in helping refugees secure jobs aligned with their skills. The article cites Canadian research showing that refugees matched with private sponsors are more likely to land higher-skilled positions. The U.S. Welcome Corps program, launched in 2023, mirrors this approach, emphasizing the

Holba reveals that, beyond housing and basic needs, private sponsors play a crucial

seeking higher-skilled opportunities. **CLICK HERE FOR THE FULL** ARTICLE

importance of private sponsorship in creating robust pathways for refugees. Holba invites readers to delve into the article to discover how Canada's inclusive sponsorship model can inspire the U.S. to strengthen its Welcome



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HOW TO CALCULATE PSR FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS: A **GUIDE FOR GROUPS OF FIVE** AND COMMUNITY SPONSORS

Become a financial expert in refugee sponsorship with our webinar on PSR

Requirements, and Legal Obligations.

Financial Requirements. Learn the ropes of Sponsorship Costs, Minimum Financial

BEFORE & AFTER ARRIVAL

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DIGITAL PORTAL

WALKTHROUGH FOR GROUPS

OF FIVE AND COMMUNITY **SPONSORS**

These sessions will provide a guided

walkthrough of IRCC's digital intake

December 2nd



WORKSHOPS

UNLOCKING SUCCESS: G5/CS

SPONSORS' POST-ARRIVAL RESPONSIBILITIES WORKSHOP

Navigate the post-arrival landscape with confidence! Our workshop, "G5/CS

Sponsors' Post-Arrival Responsibilities,"

considerations and successful resettlement

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SPONSORS' RESPONSIBILITIES: A GUIDE FOR COMMUNITY **SPONSORS & GROUPS OF FIVE** Designed for Community Sponsors & Groups of Five. Dive into the financial and settlement realms and discover how settlement agencies can be your allies.

strategies. Date: December 13th, 2023 Date: December 14th, 2023 Time: 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM EST Time: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CST Virtually: Via Zoom Virtually: Via Zoom

portal **ENGLISH SESSIONS**

December 12th

GROUPS OF FIVE AND COMMUNITY SPONSORS Discover IRCC's innovative PR Portal

NEW FORMS AND GUIDES FOR

for Refugee Applications. Learn about

the recent changes in application forms and guides through our dedicated training sessions for sponsors.

> FRENCH SESSIONS **December 5th**

CALCULATION WORKSHOP Explore strategies for handling changes post-PSR application, ensuring newcomers receive recommended RAP Rates, and stay on top of assurance activities. Join us for

financial empowerment!

MASTERING FINANCES: G5/CS

POST-ARRIVAL BUDGET

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