

## Fact Sheet

### Saskatchewan Immigrant Employment and Language Program

The Saskatchewan Immigrant Employment and Language Program (SIELP) provides financial assistance to help provincial nominees and their family members succeed in the workplace and better integrate into their communities. The program may also support the delivery of flexible and integrated services for other immigrants living in Saskatchewan who are not eligible for, or cannot access, the existing Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada (LINC) program, or who have previously participated in LINC but did not develop the English language skills needed to participate fully in their new communities or workplace.

#### **Program Objectives:**

- Assist immigrants under the Provincial Nominee Program to develop the English language skills in order for them to find and keep employment commensurate with their skills, abilities and training acquired overseas;
- Assist immigrants to develop the English technical vocabulary needed to pass regulatory licensing and certification examinations that maybe required to work in Saskatchewan;
- Provide functional English language skill building opportunities and supports to immigrants so that they are better able to comfortably interact within the community.

#### **Eligible Applicants:**

- Registered Saskatchewan employers;
- Registered non-profit community based organizations;
- Public educational institutions; and
- Individuals (e.g. tutors).

#### **Eligible Project Costs:**

- Salaries and related benefits;
- Assessment and training materials;
- Travel and accommodation costs and other meeting costs associated with project activities and outcomes;
- English translation and training supports within a project;
- Overhead costs, including rental space and/or equipment and costs associated with administration and audit;
- Purchase of materials and supplies, telephone, postage, printing, and duplication; and
- Agreements for projects will not exceed 12 months.

#### **Eligible Participant Costs:**

- Costs associated with employment related activities for participants such as short course tuition, specific work related clothing or related expenses;
- In specific cases, some participants may be eligible for Provincial Training Allowance (PTA); and
- Transportation supports and child minding supports maybe available for some participants.

**Financial Assistance Limits:**

- Funding for any one project will not normally exceed \$4,000 per participant;
- Additional individual participant costs relating to an employment plan cannot exceed \$1,000 per participant;
- Projects should encourage partnerships, and where possible, demonstrate partner contributions in cash or in kind; and
- Funding for this programming will not replace or duplicate existing initiatives, but could expand existing programs and initiatives currently in place.

**Participant Eligibility:**

Eligible clients are Saskatchewan provincial nominees and their working age family members and other immigrants who:

- Are not eligible or unable to access existing LINC programs.
- Have previously participated in LINC programming but did not develop the English language skills needed to fully participate in their new communities or workplaces.

Eligibility, when in question, will be determined by the department.

**Proposal Development:**

Cost-sharing and in-kind contributions are preferred and should be explored during the development of the proposal. Involvement of various levels of government, community partners, non-government organizations, learning institutions and employers strengthen the project and should be considered when applicable.

Projects are encouraged that provide for or link the individual participants to language assessment, credential and work experience assessment, job readiness assessment, employment counselling, work placement, job coaching and business mentoring etc. through an individual planning process.

<p><b>For further Information visit our website at:</b> <a href="http://www.immigration.gov.sk.ca/">http://www.immigration.gov.sk.ca/</a></p> <p>Telephone: (306) 787-6462</p>	<p><b>Submit Proposals to:</b> Immigration Branch, Saskatchewan Advanced Education and Employment 7th Floor 1945 Hamilton Street REGINA SK S4P 2C8 CANADA FAX : (306) 798-0713</p>
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