## Vicki's Journey



Vicki relocated to Cape Breton Island from Ontario for work with her husband and two cats.

## **FIRST CONTACT**

Vicki was fortunate to have some connections through her employer, the Cape Breton Center for Craft & Design, who frequently collaborates with the Cape Breton Partnership and its programs. She then attended a local newcomer event that helped her connect with new people.



## **BASIC NEEDS**

As a Canadian Permanent Resident, Vicki easily replaced her Ontario drivers license at Access Nova Scotia, where she was also able to change other identification information. She transferred her provincial medical insurance coverage after two full months of being a Nova Scotia resident.



## **COMMUNITY AND BELONGING**

Vicki found community through her employment, enjoying the company of her colleagues outside of the office. Vicki is enthusiastic about craft and art, and has found a sense of belonging through the vibrant craft community in Cape Breton - Unama'ki.

Additionally, Vicki found connections though the Cape Breton Welcome Network and contacts at the Cape Breton Partnership who made her feel welcomed into the community. Wanting to make a meaningful contribution to the local newcomer community, Vicki volunteers with the Cape Breton Local Immigration Partnership's Immigrant Advisory Table and is a member of the Louisbourg Waterfront redevelopment steering committee.







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