



Unama'ki - Cape Breton Immigrant Survey - Information and Consent Letter

Immigrants make Unama'ki - Cape Breton a more diverse and vibrant place – and your story is an important part of that. We want to hear from immigrants about their experiences of settling into their new communities across the Island – what is working well and what more might be needed. The Cape Breton Local Immigration Partnership (CBLIP) will use the survey results to inform how member organizations work together to improve services for newcomers to Canada living across Unama'ki - Cape Breton.

This survey is for all immigrants in Unama'ki - Cape Breton who are age 16 or older. This includes anyone born outside of Canada who is now living, working or studying on the Island (permanent residents, Canadian citizens, refugees, temporary residents, refugee claimants, and international students). We hope to hear from people who have arrived recently as well as from people who have lived here for many years. All perspectives are important.

This research is being conducted by the CBLIP - a group of community members and organizations working together to help foster welcoming and inclusive communities for all newcomers in Unama'ki - Cape Breton. To find out more visit www.capebretonpartnership.com/cblip. The CBLIP receives federal funding from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada.

Personal information

You do not have to provide your name to do the survey. The survey will ask both multiple choice questions and short answer questions about your thoughts, and a short section about demographic information. When the survey is finished, you can choose to enter your name into a draw for a prize. If you provide your name, it will not be connected to your survey answers and will only be used for the draw.

The draw prizes are three \$50 gift certificates for the Cape Breton Food Hub. Based on our target response rate of 300 individuals and anticipated draw entry rate, we expect there to be a 1 in 33 chance of winning a gift card.

You can also leave your name at the end of the survey if you are interested in participating in future research by the Cape Breton Local Immigration Partnership. If you provide your name, it will not be connected to your survey answers and will only be used to share information about this and future research opportunities. If you consent to share your contact information for future research, you can withdraw that consent at any time by contacting the Cape Breton Local Immigration Partnership at kailea@capebretonpartnership.com or calling 902 258 7331.

Completing the survey is voluntary and you can skip any question you do not want to answer. You can stop or close the browser window any time you like without consequences, but we cannot remove your answers once you submit them because we will not be able to separate the answers from the rest of the data. Whether or not you choose to participate will not impact your access to services in any way.

Online surveys

It will take about 20 minutes to complete the survey. Survey responses will be collected through Survey Monkey survey software. Because the survey is being completed over the internet, absolute confidentiality

cannot be guaranteed. Survey responses will be deleted from Survey Monkey two months after the data collection period is complete.

Phone surveys

If a participant would prefer to respond in another language or by phone, they are asked to contact Kailea Pedley (CBLIP Program Manager, Cape Breton Partnership) at kailea@capebretonpartnership.com or call 902 258 7331. Volunteer interpreters will be made available to support you in completing the survey in the language of your choice and inputting your survey responses into Survey Monkey on your behalf.

Data management

This survey is being operated through the online SurveyMonkey tool. Participants are advised that data sent to servers outside of Canada may be open to access by foreign regulatory bodies.

Once downloaded, electronic survey data will be kept in a password-protected Excel file with raw data available only to CBLIP researchers and any researchers that have signed a data sharing agreement that guards confidentiality and data privacy.

We are hoping to hear from 300 immigrants in this survey. All the responses will be anonymous and will be summarized in a series of reports and presentations. They will be available on the Welcome to Cape Breton website at <http://www.welcometocapebreton.ca/immigrant-survey> later this year.

Benefits, Risks and Supports

Participating in the survey is an opportunity to influence how services for immigrants are offered in Unama'ki - Cape Breton and impact the development of policies at municipal, provincial and federal levels.

We do not anticipate that there will be any significant risks to participating in this survey.

Each person may react differently when reflecting on the questions, and it may raise anxiety for some people. If you need support at any time, please call the Provincial Mental Health and Addictions Crisis Line at 1-888-429-8167. If you need help but are not in crisis, please call Nova Scotia Health at 1-855-922-1122.

Contact information

If you have questions about the survey, technical aspects of the research, potential ethical issues, or your rights as a survey participant, you can contact the CBLIP Program Manager, Kailea Pedley, at kailea@capebretonpartnership.com or call 902 258 7331.

This project has been reviewed and approved by the Community Research Ethics Board. If you feel you have not been treated according to the descriptions in our information, or your rights as a participant in research have been violated during the course of this project, you may contact the Chair, Community Research Ethics Board, at:

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