

The Connection

"Keeping our Community Connected"

SEPTEMBER 2026

Monthly Newsletter of the East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre Inc.



EAST CENTRAL NEWCOMER
WELCOME CENTRE INC.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre Inc. acknowledges that we are on Treaty 4 territory, the ancestral lands of the Cree, Saulteaux, Dakota, Lakota, Nakota and the Métis Nation.



We have adjusted our office hours to align with the holidays

Our adjusted hours are as follows:

CLOSED SEPTEMBER 7, 2026

Otherwise, our staff is available

Mon. - Fri. from 8 am to 12 pm and 12:30 pm to 3:45 pm.

Call (306)783-2777 to book an appointment.

INFORMATION FROM

Immigration, Refugees and
Citizenship Canada (IRCC).....

[Apply for a Canadian citizenship certificate: Who can apply](#)

The Government of Canada is taking steps to maintain a well-managed, sustainable immigration system that works for newcomers and Canadians alike. As part of these efforts, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) is pausing the intake of new applications under the Parents and Grandparents Program (PGP Program).....

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This is HOME

Thank you
Edith Montesclaros

This October, we say farewell to Edith as she retires after years of dedicated service to newcomers and our community.

Edith's story is one of courage, resilience and determination. An accomplished physician in the Philippines, Edith made the difficult decision to leave her medical career behind and start a new life in Canada.

Drawing on her own newcomer experience, she dedicated more than 15 years to helping others build successful lives.

Edith began her career in settlement services in 2008 with Partners in Settlement and Integration, where she served for many years as a Senior Settlement Supervisor. Through her extensive experience, she developed a deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities faced by newcomers and became a respected advocate for inclusive, welcoming communities.



In 2017, she founded the East Central Newcomer Welcome Centre Inc. , creating a place where newcomers could find guidance, support, connection and opportunity. Her leadership and compassion have touched countless lives and helped make our communities more welcoming for everyone.

As Edith begins her next chapter, her legacy reminds us that courage, resilience, and community can turn a new beginning into an extraordinary success story.

Thank you, Edith, for making East Central Saskatchewan feel like home for so many.

EXPLORE OUR COMMUNITY

CULTURE DAYS 2026



Community Activities & Events September 2026

Here is a list of some of the upcoming activities and events happening in our community!

If you are interested in any of them, please call our office at
(306) 783-2777. We can help you register and /or attend with you.

Conversation Café

What: A lively, interactive group hangout where you can connect with fellow newcomers

When: September 2, 2026 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Where: At the East Central Newcomer Centre

Cost: FREE Contact: rguthrie@ecnwc.ca/306 783-2777 to register



Employment Standards in SK

What: An informative workshop on Employment Standards in Saskatchewan

When: September 14, 2026 - 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Where: Online via Zoom & at the East Central Newcomer Centre

Cost: FREE Contact: Amal - asajeev@ecnwc.ca/306 783-2777 to register



Global Threads

What: Come dressed in your cultural attire and join our "Dress Your Culture" Photo Showcase!

When: September 19, 2026 - 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Where: At the City Centre Park in Yorkton

Cost: FREE Contact: Jummai - jumar@ecnwc.ca/306 783-2777 to register



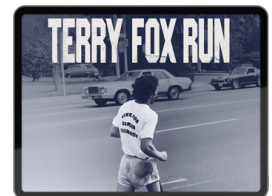
Terry Fox Run

What: A run to raise funds for cancer research

When: September 20, 2026 - 12:30 PM

Where: In Yorkton

Cost: FREE Contact: Jane at Royal Auto Group



In-Class Driver Education

What: Driver Education information

When: September 25 & 26, 2026 - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Where: At the East Central Newcomer Centre

Cost: FREE Contact: rguthrie@ecnwc.ca/306 783-2777 to register



Conversation Café

What: A lively, interactive group hangout where you can connect with fellow newcomers

When: September 30, 2026 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Where: At the East Central Newcomer Centre

Cost: FREE Contact: rguthrie@ecnwc.ca/306 783-2777 to register



MULTIFAITH FESTIVALS IN SEPTEMBER 2026

Christianity - September 8 - Nativity of Virgin Mary

- September 14 - Holy Cross Day

Sikh - September 1 - Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth

Judaism - September 12-13 - Rosh Hashanah

- September 21 - Yom Kippur*

Hinduism - September 14 - Birth of Lord Ganesh



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