



NEIGHBOURHOOD LEGAL SERVICES

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NEW PATHWAY TO PERMANENT RESIDENCE FOR ESSENTIAL TEMPORARY WORKERS AND INTERNATIONAL GRADUATES STARTING MAY 6, 2021

On April 14, 2021, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada announced a new pathway to permanent residency for essential temporary workers and international graduates. Applications for the new program will be accepted starting May 6, 2021. Applications will be accepted until November 5, 2021 or until the maximum number of applications are processed.

Please see the attached HALCO guide “ New Pathway to Permanent Residency for Essential Temporary Workers and International Graduates” for details including eligibility and application process.

Neighbourhood Legal Services cannot complete applications for clients. However, contact us if you questions about immigration or refugee law or would like your application reviewed prior to submitting.

HOW TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US:

Existing clients are asked to please contact their legal caseworker directly about their case. For new matters, we encourage prospective clients to do an intake by phone or online.

By phone: please call 416-861-0677 X702 and leave a message. Calls will be returned within 1-2 business days. If you have an email address, leave it with your phone message; this will help us connect with you faster.

Online: Please see our ONLINE intake page at: <http://www.nlstoronto.org/start-intake-online.html>. As with a phone intake, you will be contacted within 1-2 business days.

In person: We have drop-in hours on Tuesdays from 10:30am-4:30pm. **The drop-in is for people who do not have a phone or Internet access or who face language barriers to connecting by phone or online.** We can only admit 2-3 clients into our office at a time. Expect to be screened at the door prior to entry, so service may take longer than usual. Our office can be found at 163 Queen Street East, Suite 101. An appointment may be booked at our drop-in but clients should not expect the appointment to be that same day.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

NLS provides free legal services to low-income residents of the Downtown East of Toronto (East of Yonge St, West of the Don Valley, South of Bloor St, North of Lake Ontario). We can assist with matters from the following areas of law: housing (tenants and co-op members), social assistance, employment, and immigration/refugee.