

RESOURCE LIST

Resources related to Immigration Processes & Applications:

- [Presentation on Race, Gendered Violence, and the Rights of Women with Precarious Immigration Status](#), by Deepa Mattoo at the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic
- [Toolkit on Race, Gendered Violence, and the Rights of Women with Precarious Immigration Status](#), by Deepa Mattoo at the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic
- [Gathering Evidence for Humanitarian and Compassionate \(H&C\) Applications: A Toolkit for Advocates Supporting Women Survivors of Gender-Based Violence](#), from the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic
- [Refugee Sponsorship Training Program](#) – resources for sponsor groups
- [Law-Making Innovation in the Canadian and International Immigration Context: International Comparisons and Cautions for Canadians](#) – Background on the transition to changing immigration policy using Ministerial Instructions rather than through Parliament

Relevant Policy Changes (May-Oct 2019):

- [Removal of all countries from the designated countries of origin list](#)
- [Several changes to support people trying to leave abusive situations](#), including waiving the fee for people experiencing family violence; allowing them to obtain a temporary resident permit, health care, and work permit; and expediting H&C applications for these individuals.

Legal Resources:

- [Luke's Place Resources for Service Providers](#) – mostly focused on Family Law, but some address intersections between family and immigration law (based in Ontario)
- [Community & Legal Aid Support Program at York University](#) – legal support for low-income individuals, including immigration law (based in Ontario)
- [Probono Students Canada](#) – country-wide network of students providing pro-bono law services (National)
- [Rise Women's Legal Centre](#) – provide support via video-conference for some immigration and family law matters (based in British Columbia)



Resources for Supporting Immigrant, Refugee, and Migrant Women Survivors at Shelters:

- [Mothers Without Legal Status project](#) at YWCA Metro Vancouver
 - [Research Report](#)
 - [Practical Information for Service Providers](#)
- [Court-Related Abuse and Harassment report](#) by YWCA Metro Vancouver
- [Telling Our Stories](#) – Graphic novel on VAW by and for immigrant and refugee women
- [You Are Not Alone](#) – outreach video and downloadable scripts from Anderson House, Prince Edward Island
- [Chrysalis Anti-Human Trafficking Network](#) – Toll-free National Counselling Line
- Abuse is Wrong in Any Language – booklet developed by the Department of Justice, available for download in [English](#), [French](#), and [11 other languages](#).
- [Live Safe, End Abuse](#) – booklet developed by Legal Services Society in B.C. to provide information on leaving a violent relationship and safety planning, available in 5 languages.
- [Creating a Safety Plan](#) – Safety planning resource developed by the Peel Committee Against Woman Abuse and available in 13 languages.

Interpretation/Translation Resources:

- [Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration program](#) to support delivery of interpretation services to victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, or human trafficking
 - [List of interpretation agencies](#) around the province that provide free services for victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, human trafficking
- [VictimLinkBC](#) – information and referral services for all victims of crime, and immediate crisis support for victims of family and sexual violence, over the phone. Services available in over 100 languages.

International Treaties, Resources, and Shelter Networks:

- [Due Diligence: Presentation on Canada's International Obligations on Domestic Violence](#) by Dr. Amanda Dale, FAFIA
- [Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women](#)
 - [Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women](#)
 - [General Recommendation 19: Violence Against Women](#)
 - [General Recommendation 28: Core Obligations of State parties under CEDAW](#)
 - [General Recommendation 35: Update to GR 19 – Gender-based violence](#)
- [Global Network of Women's Shelters](#) – website
 - [Contacts for shelter networks internationally](#)
 - [Information on the 4th World Shelter Conference](#)

