



Syria-Antigonish Families Embrace

Month 6 Checklist and Monitoring Report

Name of Sponsored Family	
Sponsor/Constituent Group	
Contact Person	
Phone number	
E-mail address	
Date	

Month 6

SAFE will check-in with both the newcomer(s) and the Constituent Group (CG) and/or co-sponsors six months after the newcomers have arrived in Canada. This can be done by phone, e-mail or in-person.

The Sponsor/Constituent Group has arrived at the mid-way point in the sponsorship agreement. As the family is working towards reaching self-sufficiency, it is a good time to reflect on the sponsorship experience and evaluate its effectiveness.

Constituent Groups and/or co-sponsors are required to inform SAFE of any concerns arising throughout the 12 month sponsorship period and to provide newcomer families with contact information for SAFE.

Questions about the Settlement of the Newcomer Family

Housing and Finances

- 👤 How is the housing and living situation for the newcomers?
- 👤 Are the newcomers aware of their rights and responsibilities as tenants?
- 👤 Do the newcomers receiving their monthly income regularly?
- 👤 Are the newcomers know when and how to pay their rent and any other household bills (utilities, power, phone, internet, cable, etc.)?
- 👤 Do the newcomers need any help with budgeting?
- 👤 Are the newcomers aware of the repayment plan for their travel loan?
- 👤 How is the newcomers' budget working for them? Do they have any questions about the budget?

Comments:

1* adapted from the *Best Practices for Monitoring Resource Kit*, Refugee Sponsorship Training Program (RSTP), April 2019 and from ISANS *Refugee Sponsorship 6th Month Monitoring Report – CGs*.

Transportation, Mobility and Community

- ⚙ Are the newcomers able to get where they need to go?
- ⚙ Have the newcomers made any connections with persons outside the sponsorship group?
- ⚙ Do the newcomers require more support to make connections with persons outside the sponsorship group, or to find or get to community activities or events?
- ⚙ Do the newcomers need help connecting to specific programs or group in the community related to their interests?

Comments:

Documents and Applications

- ⚙ Do the newcomers have all the documents they require, e.g. Social Insurance Number (SIN), Permanent Resident (PR) card, etc.?
- ⚙ If applicable, have the newcomers submitted an application under the One-Year Window of Opportunity Provisions to bring any family members that were listed as non-accompanying on the application forms to Canada? If so, what is the status of the application?
- ⚙ Do the newcomers need any assistance of the SAFE, the CG and/or co-sponsors with the application process for any remaining documents?

Comments:

Relationships and Supports

- ⚙ How is the relationship between SAFE, the CG and/or co-sponsors and the newcomer?
- ⚙ Have the newcomers checked in with a settlement agency or met with a settlement worker?

Comments:

Education and Development

- ⚙ How are the newcomers English language classes progressing?
- ⚙ How are the children progressing at school?
- ⚙ Have the newcomer children younger than 12 years of age been able to access occasional childcare or afterschool activities?
- ⚙ Do the newcomers wish to pursue educational studies in future, e.g. bridging programs, secondary education, vocational courses, university degrees, etc., and do they have access to resources and information on how they can pursue this?
- ⚙ Are the newcomers aware of the vocational classes, courses and diplomas that are available to them?
- ⚙ Are the newcomers interested in volunteering to improve their English language skills and to gain Canadian work experience, and do they have access to resources and information on how they can pursue this?

Comments:

Other Needs

- ⚙ Are there any other needs the newcomers have?
- ⚙ If yes, what are the needs and what is the plan to address them ?

Comments:

Questions for the CG and/or Co-Sponsors

- ✎ How is the CG and/or co-sponsors relationship with the newcomers?
- ✎ Are there any issues in the sponsorship that the CG and/or co-sponsors would like to talk about with SAFE?
- ✎ Does the Settlement Plan need to be adjusted? If so, how?

Comments:

- ✎ Please provide a brief summary of how things are going for each member of the family.

- ✎ What changes, if any, have you made in the financial support of the family during the sponsorship? Why?

- ✎ What kind of preparation has been made for the transition to independence after 12 months of sponsorship? Please comment on housing, financial/budget, income after month 12 (employment of social assistance). If necessary, have you looked into social assistance arrangements?

- Do you plan to continue to support this family after the 12 month sponsorship period ends? (financially, community/friendship)

Issues for Follow-Up

- Have issues identified at the last check-in been resolved?
- Are there any issues identified for follow-up at the next check-in?

Comments:

Name of Primary Family Contact	
Address	
Phone	
Email	

Should you require any assistance or wish to discuss any aspect of your sponsorship please feel free to contact SAFE at: safamiliesembrace@gmail.com

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