

RCIP Letter of Support from Municipalities

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Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada
Ottawa, ON

Re: North Bay and Area Rural Community Immigration Pilot Expression of Interest
Application (RCIP) submitted by North Bay & District Chamber of Commerce

Dear Selection Committee,

I am writing on behalf of **[Your Municipality]** to express our support of the North Bay & District Chamber of Commerce (NBDCC) application to be the lead proponent for the Rural Community Immigration Pilot (RCIP) initiative for our area. Delivering the current North Bay and Area Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP), the NBDCC has been successful in managing the pilot over the last few years assisting employers fill their labour shortages and fostering positive relationships with community partners in the boundary.

As a municipality deeply committed to fostering inclusive and vibrant communities, we believe that the RCIP presents a unique opportunity to address aging demographic challenges, stimulate economic and population growth, and enrich the social fabric of rural areas across northern Ontario.

The RCIP's focus on attracting and retaining skilled immigrants to rural communities aligns closely with our municipality's strategic priorities and aspirations for sustainable development. By welcoming newcomers with diverse backgrounds, talents, and experiences, we can harness their contributions to drive innovation, entrepreneurship, and community vitality.

Moreover, the RCIP offers a pathway for addressing critical labour market needs and filling gaps in key sectors. By connecting skilled immigrants with employment opportunities and support services tailored to their needs, we can strengthen local businesses, create jobs, and build resilience in our economy.

We are committed to collaborating with our regional partners, settlement agencies, employers, and community organizations to ensure the successful implementation of the RCIP and to provide newcomers with the resources and support they need to integrate and thrive in our community. Together, we can create a welcoming and inclusive environment where all residents feel valued, respected, and empowered to achieve their full potential.

In conclusion, we endorse the RCIP and look forward to working closely with the North Bay and District Chamber of Commerce and other stakeholders to build upon existing momentum and continue to witness the benefits resulting from our immigration attraction and retention efforts.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

[Your Title]

[Your Municipality]