

Welcome to the supportive community of:

The Municipality of Kincardine

Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership works to fill critical gaps in the local labour force by welcoming newcomers to the region.



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Your First Call

Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services for Newcomers

Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services is here to support you in settling, integrating, and calling Grey / Bruce counties your new home.

This program offers free services to eligible newcomers in a central place to help you feel more connected to your new community. This is made possible through the many resources and partnerships with other local service agencies.

Connect with us today!



Settlement Services phone number: 519-371-9222

Email: settlement@osgb.ymca.ca



Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services

We can help, support, and assist clients with:

- Free eligible Language classes (LINC)
- Interpretation and translation services
- · Citizenship Test Preparation classes and Application Review
- Banking
- Employment
- · Applying for government documents
- Housing support
- · Childcare support
- Transportation support
- Workplace Integration Assistance

*Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services is a collaboration between YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce and Welcoming Communities Grey Bruce.



2-1-1: Help and Information

211 is a helpline that can direct you to many helpful services including translation services, English as a second language courses, employment programs, and more.



Phone (multiple languages) or Text (English): 211

Email: 211info@communityconnection.ca

Website: www.newcomersbrucegrey.ca

Municipal Contact Information

If you have questions about your new community of Kincardine, use the contact information below to get answers to your questions.



Phone number: (519) 396-3468

Email: lfioze@kincardine.ca

Website: www.kincardine.ca

Townhall Address and Office Hours

Municipal Office	Office Hours
1475 Concession 5 Rd Kincardine, ON N2Z 2X6	Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Health

If you need medical help, you can visit the closest hospital, make an appointment with a nurse practitioner, or visit your family doctor. The Canadian Mental Health Association Grey Bruce (CMHA Grey Bruce) provides a variety of mental health and addiction services greybruce.cmha.ca/.

If you need help finding a family doctor, please contact **Grey Bruce Settlement** and **Language Services (p. 3).**

Hospital



Hospital Name: South Bruce Grey Health Centre

Phone Number: (519) 396-3331

Address: 1199 Queen Street, Kincardine, ON N2Z 1G6

Nurse Practitioner



Phone Number: (519) 396-2700

Address: 1201 Queen Street, Lower Level Kincardine, ON N2Z 3C1



Transportation

Transportation options for your municipality are listed below. To find out what transportation services are available and if you are eligible for transportation supports, please contact **Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services (p. 3).**

Public Transportation Options



Taxi / Cab / Transportation Companies

Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit | **Phone number:** 1-866-981-2504

Website: https://saugeenmobility.ca/

Fred's Cabs | Phone number: 519-396-7717

Website: N/A

ABC Taxi | Phone number: 519-396-0123

Website: N/A



Schools and Childcare

Schools in Grey and Bruce counties are primarily public or catholic and belong to the Bluewater District School Board, the Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board, or the Conseil Scolaire Catholique Providence. Some schools provide before and after school childcare. Visit their website for more information (see below).

Bluewater District School Board



Central Office Address:

Bluewater District School Board Education Centre P.O. Box 190, 351 1st Avenue North Chesley, Ontario NOG 1L0

General phone number: (519) 363-2014

Email: info@bwdsb.on.ca

Website: https://www.bwdsb.on.ca/

Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board



Catholic Education Centre:

Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board 799 16th Ave. Hanover, ON N4N 3A1

General phone number: (519) 364-5820

Email: bruce grey@bgcdsb.org

Website: https://www.bgcdsb.org/

Providence Catholic School Board / Conseil Scolaire Catholique Providence



(External) Office Address:

Conseil Scolaire Catholique Providence 7515 Forest Glade Drive Windsor, ON N8T 3P5

General phone number: (519) 948-9227

Website: https://www.cscprovidence.ca/

Grey / Bruce School Name:

Saint-Dominique-Savio Catholic School 800 East 23rd Street Owen Sound, ON N4K 6Z5

Local School Locations Near the Municipality of Kincardine





Huron Heights Public School | Location: Kincardine

Kincardine Township-Tiverton Public School | Location: Kincardine





Elgin Market Public School | Location: Kincardine

École Kincardine District Senior School | Location: Kincardine

Secondary School / High School



École Kincardine District Senior School | Location: Kincardine



Food and Groceries

Below is a list of stores in or near Kincardine that might help you find the ingredients you need for your favourite dishes.



Grocery Store: Sobeys

Phone number: (519) 395-0022

Address: 814 Durham St, Kincardine, ON N2Z 3B9



Grocery Store: Dykeman's NO FRILLS

Phone number: (886) 987-6453

Address: 665-3 Philip Pl, Kincardine, ON N2Z 2E3



Grocery Store: Bulk Barn

Phone number: (519) 396-6052

Address: 781 Broadway Street, Kincardine, ON N2Z 2G1



Grocery Store: Fine Fettle Natural Foods & Health Products

Phone number: (519) 396-9600

Address: 948 Queen St, Kincardine, ON N2Z 2Y2

Emergency Food Sources

Below is a list of emergency food sources in or near the Municipality of Kincardine:



Food Bank: Kincardine Ministerial Food Bank

Phone number: (519) 396-2185

Address: 415 Russell St E, Kincardine, ON N2Z 2A9

Your Public Library

Public libraries are free to use, and offer lots of things to borrow, programs to attend, and services to use. Visit your public library to get a library card, borrow books, movies, and music, and find out all they have to offer. Most libraries have computers and printers, meeting rooms, and free Wi-Fi. Library websites provide access to online information and entertainment, like movies, eBooks, newspapers, magazines, as well as educational resources.

Bruce County Public Library



There are 17 Branches of Bruce County Public Library. You are welcome to visit any of the Branches, and your Library card will work at all of them. Find out more about locations, services, and hours of operation:

Website: library.brucecounty.on.ca

Email: libraryinfo@brucecounty.on.ca

General phone number: 519-832-6935

Grey County Libraries



Public libraries in Grey County operate independently throughout the region.

A list of public libraries in Grey County can be found online on the Grey County website.

Website: grey.ca/libraries

Your New Home!

There is lots to learn about your new home. Here are a few things you should know:

Owning a Pet



Licences / tags are required for dogs. Learn more at:

Website: https://www.kincardine.ca/live-here/pets-and-animals/

Snow Removal



The town / county takes care of snow removal on public roads and sidewalks. Driveway clearing - by shoveling or using a snowblower - is the responsibility of all homeowners.

Parks and Playgrounds



We have many parks and playgrounds for you to enjoy. Addresses / maps can be found at:

Website: https://www.kincardine.ca/be-active/beaches-parks-trails-and-facilities/

Property Taxes



Property taxes are paid by every property owner to help pay for services like road maintenance, policing, fire services, recreation and more. If you have questions about your property tax bill, call us at:

Phone number: (519) 396-3468

Septic Systems



Depending on your living accommodations and your location in Grey or Bruce counties, you might have a septic system. Proper care and maintenance of your septic system is very important. Learn more about how to manage your septic system here:

Website: https://www.kincardine.ca/build-and-invest/building-and-renovating/inspections/

Garbage and Recycling

Garbage and recycling services help keep our community clean and safe. Garbage and recycling pick-up is done by Bruce Area Solid Waste Recycling. If you live in an apartment or condo, check with your building manager about garbage and recycling services.



You can find out **pick-up dates / times** for garbage and recycling in our community on this website.

Website: https://www.kincardine.ca/our-services/garbage-and-recycling/



If you need to report a missed pick-up of either garbage or recycling, you can call.

Phone number: 1-800-794 -9770

Bag tags are required for garbage pick-up at your home. For a list of stores where you can buy bag-tags in our community of Kincardine visit our website:

Website: https://www.kincardine.ca/our-services/garbage-and-recycling/garbage/

Meet Your Community: Groups and Events

If you are looking to connect with the people in your new community of Kincardine, try volunteering for a committee or attending a local event.

List of Local Community Groups

Kincardine Trails Association

Phone Number: (519) 396-8028

Website: https://www.ontariotrails.on.ca/trails/view/kincardine-trails-

<u>association</u>

https://www.kincardine.ca/be-active/beaches-parks-trails-and-facilities/trails/

Kincardine Theatre Guild

Phone Number: (519) 396-9000

Website: https://kincardinetheatreguild.com/

EarlyON child and Family Centres

Phone Number: (519) 881-0431

Website: https://www.brucecounty.on.ca/human-services/earlyon

List of Annual / Upcoming Community Events



For more information about annual, upcoming, and new community events in Kincardine please check out our website / community calendar.

Website: https://events.kincardine.ca/

Things To Do

Spending time outdoors or participating in recreation opportunities is important for your mind and body. Here's a list of our top five activities we think you should explore!

- 1) Explore 30km of waterfront and discover our stunning shoreline, which boasts a diversity of landscapes stretching from our northern to southern boundaries, ranging from gentle white sands to rugged and rocky waterfronts and everything in between.
- 2) Indulge in an afternoon of aquatic fun with a paddle board rental from Surfs Up Eco Shop, conveniently situated at Station Beach throughout the summer. Rent a paddle board and spend quality time in the water, soaking in the refreshing waves and relishing the beach atmosphere.
- Take your winter adventures to the next level by trying out cross-country skiing or snowshoeing on the stunning 5km trail at Stoney Island Conservation Area. Don't have gear? No worries, Stoney Creek offers rentals on snowshoes and cross-country skis.

https://www.saugeenconservation.ca/en/outdoors-and-recreation/stoney-island.aspx#Recreational-trails

- 4) Learn about safe, reliable and carbon-free nuclear energy at the Bruce Power Visitor Centre or register for the Summer Site Bus Tour beginning in June through August. https://www.brucepower.com/bustours/
- 5) Walk, jog, or cycle the trails from Kincardine to Inverhuron Provincial Park (KIPP) Trail. http://www.kincardinetrails.net/

County Tourism Resources



Kincardine Tourism

https://www.kincardinewelcomes.ca/

Kincardine Centre for the Arts at 707 Queen Street, Kincardine Contact us by phone at 519-396-2731 or E-mail: tourism@kincardine.ca

Open for the season on Saturday, May 20th, 2023.

Hours of Operation: Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. all summer long.

Grey County Tourism - Visit Grey: www.visitgrey.ca

Bruce County Tourism - Explore The Bruce:

www.explorethebruce.com



For more information about available local recreational programs, please check out our website.

Website: https://www.kincardine.ca/be-active/recreation-and-sports/

Connect with Us – Municipality of Kincardine

We know you will have lots of questions and we want to help you settle into your new home. Here are all the ways you can contact us:



Website

Stay up to date by visiting our website:

https://www.kincardine.ca



Electronic Newsletters

Sign up for our email updates / newsletters:

Kincardine Newsletter Sign up



Give Us Your Feedback

Get involved in your community by providing feedback and participating in community engagement projects:

https://www.kincardine.ca/our-services/contactus/

https://form.kincardine.ca/Report-a-Concern



Main Office - Location

1475 Concession 5, R.R.#5 Kincardine, ON N2Z 2X6



Call

(519)396-3468

Moving here: https://www.kincardine.ca/live-here/new-resident/

About Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership

Our partnership spans across county lines, and community signs. Our coordination runs along sandy shorelines and flows over rolling fields. It reaches deep into Lake Huron and scales the Niagara Escarpment.

Collectively, we strive to build stronger communities through awareness, outreach, inclusion, and equity to ensure immigrants and newcomers become welcome neighbours throughout Grey and Bruce Counties. The Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership works in collaboration with service-based organizations to ensure that new residents thrive and enhance the vibrant, diverse, and colourful landscapes they now call home.



How do we build a more welcoming and inclusive Grey / Bruce?

How can we work together to make it easier for newcomers to settle here?

Coordinating, Collaborating, and Connecting

These questions are at the heart of the Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership (GBLIP).

The GBLIP recognizes that immigration will continue to play a key role in the economic future of Grey and Bruce Counties. To support better immigration

outcomes, the Partnership administers the GBLIP – a collaborative, community initiative designed to improve the integration of newcomers in Grey Bruce. Launched in June 2020, the GBLIP works at the local level to foster a community that is welcoming and inclusive and to support newcomers in becoming fully engaged in the social, economic, political, and cultural life of Grey and Bruce Counties.

This is achieved through focus on four priority areas:

- 1) Improving the coordination of settlement and integration services
- 2) Raising awareness around the needs of newcomers
- 3) Supporting community-level research and planning
- 4) Fostering welcoming communities.









The GBLIP is one of the many Local Immigration Partnerships (LIPs) sponsored by Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada (IRCC). This federal initiative addresses the growing need for systematic community planning around immigrant attraction and retention.

LIPs are underpinned by the understanding that:

- Newcomers play an important role in the Canadian economy and society
- In the near future, some industries and regions will depend on immigration to fulfill their labour needs
- Municipalities and community groups are best positioned to improve settlement and integration outcomes for newcomers
- The provision of basic settlement services is not sufficient to ensure success

 consideration of newcomer needs must be incorporated into all aspects of community planning.

Settlement Strategy

The GBLIP Settlement Strategy 2025 is the culmination of more than a year of research and consultation, including 8 focus groups involving 62 participants across Grey Bruce and extensive surveys of both immigrants and the community at large.

The Settlement Strategy acts as the guiding document for the work of the GBLIP – providing a road map for how to build more welcoming and inclusive communities in Grey Bruce and improve the integration outcomes of newcomers.

It includes four strategic priorities:

- 1) Build Capacity
- 2) Strengthen Community
- 3) Cultivate Prosperity
- 4) Foster Inclusion

We are pleased to invite you to explore the full version of the GBLIP Settlement Strategy 2025 on our website:

Website: https://greybrucelip.ca/settlement-strategy

Have any questions for GBLIP? Contact Us!

Address: Corporation of the County of Grey

595 9th Ave East

Owen Sound Ontario N4K 3E3

Phone number: +1 519-372-0219 ext. 6108

Email: immigrationpartnership@grey.ca





Have Feedback for Us?

Please complete this short survey about the Welcoming Package to help us serve the community better:

Survey Website Link: bit.ly/GBLIP-welcome

Scan the QR Code to access the survey:

