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LOCAL IMMIGRATION PARTNERSHIP RELEASES SURVEY ON RACISM

Invitation to Participate and Let Your Voice Be Heard

The Local Immigration Partnership and ICA want to hear from all those in our community who have experienced racism, racial profiling and hate, as well as those who have witnessed acts of racism and hate in our community. Participation in this survey will inform a response strategy to better support marginalized people and our work to eradicate racism.

Through the COVID-19 pandemic, incidents of racism, hate, and division in our community have surfaced. We hear about anti-Black, anti-Asian and anti-immigrant sentiment, racism towards Indigenous people, Islamophobia, and other stories that point to disrespect and hate towards racialized minorities.

The Greater Victoria Local Immigration Partnership (GVLIP), powered by the Inter-Cultural Association (ICA), is listening and wants to collect your views and experiences so we can better understand the challenges and the needs of these members of our community.

Gaining a better understanding about the extent and the kind of racism people experience in this community is a first step in working against it. As a community we can stand up against racism and work towards justice and equity.

Let your voice be heard: Tell us what you see, hear, and experience. Tell us what you need in order to feel supported and included in this community!

We understand that filling out this survey might be emotionally difficult, and greatly appreciate your participation.

The survey is intended for anyone 14 years or older living in the Capital Region.

GVLIP Racism Survey https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FHKZVSS

Survey is open until Monday November 11, 2020 and takes about 25 minutes to complete. Responses will be completely confidential and anonymous.

To thank those who participate we are giving away two rewards of \$150! Participants can choose to put in their name for a draw at the end of the survey.

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