Background

- Labour Shortage
- 28% of population is 65+
- Low Unemployment Rate (2.9%)
- Less than 2% Population Growth
- Growing Newcomers Community
New to Grey - Recap

Environmental Scan
Outreach and Awareness
Fam Tours
Partnerships
Toolkit and Resources
Permanent Residents to Grey County by category

Immigration to Grey County 1980-2016

- Economic Class: 1210
- Family Sponsored: 1055
- Refugees: 285
From Challenges to Solutions

Challenges to attracting newcomers:

- Housing
- Services
- Community
- Transit
- Child Care

Where is Grey County?
Kick-off event

Summary

- +120 people
- Diverse ethnic foods
- Highlight diversity that already exists
- Lionel Laroche

Outcomes

- Build social capital
- Newcomers feel supported and heard
- Foundations of a welcoming community
New to Grey hosts newcomers from the Rural Employment Initiative at Regional Job Fair
Partnerships & Building Capacity

- Grey Bruce Welcoming Communities
- Welcoming Communities Action Team
- Making Grey Bruce Home project
- The Agency, YMCA, Georgian College, Saugeen Connects and the School Boards
- Rural Employment Initiative (Newcomer Centre of Peel)
Partnerships and Opportunities

Peel Newcomer Job Fair
March 19th, 2018

UPCOMING Nov. 6th 2018
Sustaining Rural Ontario: Forum and Job Fair
Outreach and Awareness

- **Diversity Training**
  - Building Cultural Awareness – hosted in each municipality & “Working with Newcomers” session for service providers

- **Presentations/Speaker/Promoting Grey County**
  - AMO 2018, OMAFRA’s Municipal Ag, Planning & Ec Dev Forum, Webinar Newcomer Engagement & Social Capital, 2 Job Fairs in Peel Region

- **Regional Forum – Rural Newcomer Integration**
  - November 30th, 2018 – Blue Mountain Resort
  - To Register: http://regionalforum2018.eventbrite.ca
Moving Forward

- Affordable & Attainable Housing Research & Initiatives
- Community Leaders & Partnerships
- Attraction & Retention Campaign