SPRING VIRTUAL CONSULTATION

Access and inclusion: protection, resources, services

**19 May to 26 June 2020** 

#### CONSULTATION VIRTUELLE DU PRINTEMPS

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CANADIAN COUNCIL FOR REFUGEES CONSEIL CANADIEN POUR LES RÉFUGIÉS

#### Forced Labour Happens in Canada: precarious migrants call for justice and protection





Conseil canadien pour les réfugiés Canadian Council for Refugees The Canadian Council for Refugees recognizes the Indigenous Peoples of Canada as its original inhabitants.

The CCR office is located on the unceded territories of the Kanien'kehá:ka (Mohawk) People.

We are all joining this webinar from different parts of Turtle Island, which are the traditional territories of many Peoples.



# Communicating



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- View, change and test your settings and controls.
- Use the question box to give feedback, ask technical or subject-related questions.
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# Anti-oppression

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# Social Media

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- To maintain a safer space for participants, please do not take screen shots of resource people using webcams



#### Resource persons

- Leah Woolner, *Mouvement contre le viol et l'inceste*
- Shelley Gilbert, Legal Assistance of Windsor
- 'Maria', migrant worker supported by the Migrant Workers Centre
- Natalie Drolet, Migrant Workers Centre
- Rico Angustia, migrant worker supported by the FCJ Centre
- Luis Alberto Mata, FCJ Refugee Centre
- Sue Wilson, Federation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Canada
- Elvira Truglia, Canadian Council for Refugees



## Introducing our resource persons

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Legal Assistance of Windsor



# Agenda

- Gaps in policies and legislation
- Migrant workers testimonials
- What needs to change
- Q&A



# **CCR Advocacy Priorities**

- **Root Causes:** Recognize and address systemic inequalities that are the causes and consequences of trafficking
- **Protect Rights:** Protect the rights of trafficked persons and those at risk (fix laws and policies that create barriers and provide better rights protection)
- **Permanent Status:** Implement legislative changes to ensure there is permanent pathway to protection
- Access to Justice: Ensure effective access to justice (stronger humanrights based recourses, law reform that is non-punitive and recognizes trafficking in all its forms)
- Access to Services: Ensure universal access to public services (healthcare, education, childcare, psychosocial support, etc.)



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# What can you do

- Call on the government to make these changes, call or write your <u>MP</u>
- Partner with the CCR to advance one or more of these policy demands.
- Support existing migrant rights campaigns
- Share resources and amplify #becauseiamhuman
- If you are a survivor, contact <u>1-833-900-1010</u> or visit: canadianhumantraffickinghotline.ca



#### Questions and comments

Write your question/comment in chatbox.

If you want to be identified, give your name (and organization) at the end of the question.

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