OASIS
(orientation et assistance aux services d'intégration francophone à Surrey)

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• We are a registered not for profit agency offering a wide range of services and programs to the culturally diverse communities of the lower mainland.
DIVERSEcity was established in 1978 under its founding name SURREY DELTA IMMIGRANT SERVICES SOCIETY (SDISS) & has served the community for over three decades.
*Why do we exist?*
• To build and strengthen diverse communities by delivering the broadest range of services that embrace cultural inclusiveness and that celebrate the strengths found in our differences.
WHAT DO WE OFFER?
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- DIVERSEcity has provided first language settlement services to francophone newcomers since 2007 in the Surrey, North Delta and the surrounding areas.
In November of 2014, DIVERSEcity, in partnership with le Collège Éducacentre created OASIS

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We have to offer an OASIS to people whose first language is French as well as those who identify French as their preferred official language using a culturally sensitive and inclusive approach.
**Definition:**

- “A fertile spot in a desert where many come to partake of a common need.”
- Symbolically represents the assistance provided to help newcomers in need of settlement support services in Canada’s other official language - French.
**Goal:**

- Aims to bring the diverse cultures of French speaking newcomers together to facilitate & establish a stronger French speaking community, while helping new immigrants in their integration into the wider Canadian society.
Services offered:

- Information & orientation workshops
- Community connections
- Outreach within Surrey, Delta, Langley & neighboring regions to French speaking newcomers
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

French speaking (first language & those whom identify French as their preferred official language) who are either:

- Permanents Residents of Canada
- Protected persons as defined in section 95 of the Immigration & Refugee Protection Act or
- Individuals who have been selected inside or outside Canada to become permanent residents.
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• Click the ‘hand icon’ on the left of the panel
Closing Remarks

- Please Fill Out the Online Evaluation Form
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