NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND NEWCOMER SERVICES

RESETTLEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (RAP)

Provides initial settlement services to Government Assisted Refugees immediately upon arrival to Canada. Services include; temporary accommodation, orientation and information sessions, assistance with housing search, applications for SIN, OHIP and Child Tax Benefits, etc. RAP is funded through Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

CLIENT SUPPORT SERVICES (CSS)

Offers an intensive client-centered approach to provide Government Assisted Refugees with a warm, welcoming and safe environment; the essential supports for a more positive settlement experience in Canada. CSS helps refugees access services and become engaged in the community to meet their settlement goals and is funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

NEWCOMER YOUTH SUPPORT SERVICES

Offers an intensive client-centered approach to provide Government Assisted Refugee children and youth with a warm, welcoming and safe environment specific to their unique needs. Newcomer Youth Support Services (NYSS) provides mentorship and volunteer opportunities, intensive case management support on an outreach basis, and specific workshops and orientations session relevant to their specific needs. NYSS is funded through Citizenship and Immigration Canada

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

151 Queen St N

Supports job seekers and employers in the Hamilton community. Services include support developing resumes and cover letters, monthly workshop schedule (see website), referrals to Second Career and other local programs, internet access and one on one support from an employment counselor. Also providing talented and appropriate staff to employers. All services are free.

MULTICULTURAL SENIORS OUTREACH PROGRAM

Monday & Tuesday - 155 Park St N,
Wednesday & Thursday - 30 Sanford Ave S
Assists recent and landed immigrant seniors with advocacy, friendly visits, referrals, assistance with forms and applications, income tax clinic, workshops, and social events, so that seniors may maintain stability and independent living.

WESLEY URBAN MINISTRIES

Decreasing Barriers…
Increasing Opportunities

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WESLEY URBAN MINISTRIES' PROGRAMS & SERVICES

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS

WESLEY DAY CENTRE

195 Ferguson Ave N

Serves adults as a 7 day a week drop-in for both men and women, comprehensively meeting the basic needs of food, safety and social inclusion. A wide range of emergency services are provided including: two meals each day, laundry and shower facilities, free telephone, as well as a mailing and message system, art classes, movie afternoons, library and chapel. In addition, our guests can access a clinic 5 days a week which includes a medical doctor, nurse, addictions counseling, an Ontario Works worker, housing and employment workers and harm reduction services.

TRANSITIONS TO HOME

Transitions to Home (T2H) is a community partnership with the City of Hamilton, Good Shepherd Centres, Hamilton Housing Help Centre, Mission Services, Salvation Army and Wesley Urban Ministries. This partnership supports individuals experiencing chronic homelessness to acquire and maintain safe, affordable and long term housing.

SPECIAL CARE UNIT

100 West 5th St

Offers housing that serves individuals experiencing chronic homelessness and chronic dependence on alcohol. The overall goal of the service is to improve the quality of life of clients in a supportive environment while providing health care and managed alcohol treatment. Providing: harm reduction strategies; ongoing health assessment; nursing, medical and palliative care; counseling; and social supports.

CHILD, YOUTH AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

HEALTHY BABIES, HEALTHY CHILDREN FAMILY HOME VISITOR PROGRAM

785 Britannia Ave
Identifies and helps achieve goals set by the family; to promote the healthy growth and development of children. Connects families with community resources and supports, through Home Visitors who work in partnership with a public health nurse. Wesley Urban Ministries is the community lead responsible for delivery. Referrals, support, goal-setting and home visits.

ONTARIO EARLY YEARS CENTRE

Main Centre: 155 Queen St N
Offers a place for parents and caregivers of children up to the age of six to get information about children's development and about services to support that development. Early learning and literacy programs for parents and their children, workshops to support parents and caregivers in all aspects of early child development, programs on pregnancy and parenting, educational toys, and activity centres.
OEYC Neighbourhood Centres:

- Angela's Place, 320 Tragina Ave N;
- Beasley Community Centre, 145 Wilson St E;
- Church of the Resurrection, 435 Mohawk Rd W;
- Maple Crofts Apartments, 1900 Main St W;
- Ryerson Recreation Centre, 251 Duke St;
- The Source (Young Parent Resource Centre),138 Herkimer St;
- St. Cuthbert's Church, 2 Bond St;
- St. Martin's Manor, 500 Mohawk Rd W

WESLEY CHILD CARE CENTRE

340 York Blvd
Provides licensed child care spaces for children 2 1/2 to 5 years old. Fee subsidy is available through the City of Hamilton for those who qualify. Providing: enriched play activities including 'Jolly Phonics Program', school readiness programs, daily outdoor/gross motor activities, nutritious snacks and meals.

SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAMS

155 Queen St N, 166 Forest Ave, 107 Hess St N, 350 Quigley Rd Unit 131, 145 Wilson St
Provides children, age 6 to 12, a safe, supervised environment which encourages learning, including help with homework and recreational activities. Providing: homework time (including help from staff and volunteers), nutritious snacks, a variety of activities to choose from including lounge activities such as board games, interactive games, crafts, reading, cooking and gym activities.

SUMMER CAMPS

155 Queen St N & 145 Wilson St
Provides children, age 6 to 12, with opportunities to learn, play and grow in an environment only camp can provide. Gives care givers the assurance that their children are stimulated and supervised. Provides:: recreational activities, crafts, educational sessions, sports and field trips.

TEEN DROP-IN CENTRES

155 Queen St N, 93 Delena Ave N, 145 Wilson St
Provides a fun, welcoming, safe environment for teens. Offers social and recreational programming that engages youth in positive activities. Providing: team sports, snacks, lounge, computers with internet access and word processing software for homework, popular gaming systems, crafts and movie nights.

WESLEY YOUTH HOUSING PROGRAM

191 Main St W (4th and 5th Floors)
Provides 19 units of transitional housing for street-involved and homeless youth age 16 – 21. Two stages provide different levels of support in order to help youth transition to independent living. Providing: counseling, life skills programming, social opportunities, 24-hour support, on-site community partners.

YOUTH OUTREACH WORKERS (YOW-H)

(Mobile)
Through the Street Youth Planning Collaborative, Youth Outreach Workers (YOW-H) serve 12 to 21 year old youth and their families in three underserved, at-risk communities in Hamilton. The team focuses on community development, engagement and referrals to existing services. Providing: engagement, referrals, and street outreach.

COMMUNITY ACCESS TO CHILD HEALTH PROGRAM (CATCH)

350 Quigley Rd, Unit 131
Community Access to Child Health (CATCH) is an east-end Hamilton community driven project. CATCH aims to improve health and safety inside and outside the home by engaging children, youth and families through programming and connections with community resources.

WESLEY'S NO CHARGE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Offers choice and dignity to individuals and families who are living in poverty by allowing them to choose new gifts and food items specific to their needs. During December, items are arranged in a store-like setting, and people who have registered shop, based on family size, for store 'merchandise'. Providing: Christmas assistance in the form of new toys and gifts, non-perishable and fresh food.