



Welcome to the supportive community of:

Municipality of Brockton

Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership works to fill critical gaps in the local labour force by welcoming newcomers to the region.



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Your First Call

Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services for Newcomers

Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services is here to support you in settling, integrating, and calling Grey / Bruce counties your new home.

This program offers free services to eligible newcomers in a central place to help you feel more connected to your new community. This is made possible through the many resources and partnerships with other local service agencies.



Connect with us today!

Settlement Services phone number: 519-371-9222

Email: settlement@osgb.ymca.ca



Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services

We can help, support, and assist clients with:

- Free eligible Language classes (LINC)
- Interpretation and translation services
- Citizenship Test Preparation classes and Application Review
- Banking
- Employment
- Applying for government documents
- Housing support
- Childcare support
- Transportation support
- Workplace Integration Assistance

*Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services is a collaboration between YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce and Welcoming Communities Grey Bruce.



- Free

2-1-1: Help and Information

211 is a helpline that can direct you to many helpful services including translation services, English as a second language courses, employment programs, and more.



Phone (multiple languages) or Text (English): 211

Email: 211info@communityconnection.ca

Website: www.newcomersbrucegrey.ca

Municipal Contact Information

If you have questions about your new community of Brockton, use the contact information below to get answers to your questions.



Municipal Office Phone Number: 519-881-2223

Municipal Email: info@brockton.ca

Municipal Website: www.brockton.ca

Townhall Address and Office Hours

Municipal Office

100 Scott Street, PO Box 68

Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0

Office Hours

Monday – Friday

8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Health

If you need medical help, you can visit the closest hospital, make an appointment with a nurse practitioner, or visit your family doctor. The Canadian Mental Health Association Grey Bruce (CMHA Grey Bruce) provides a variety of mental health and addiction services

If you need help finding a family doctor, please contact **Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services (p. 3)**.

Hospital



Hospital Name: South Bruce Grey Health Centre, Walkerton

Hospital Phone Number: 519-881-1220

Hospital Address: 21 McGivern Street, Walkerton

Family Health Team



Brockton & Area Family Health Team

Family Health Team Phone Number: 519-507-2021

Family Health Team Address: 21 McGivern Street, Walkerton

Mental Health and Addiction Services



Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) Grey Bruce

Phone Number: (519) 371-3642 or 1-888-451-2642

Website: a.ca
greybruce.cmh



Transportation

Transportation options for your municipality are listed below. To find out what transportation services are available and if you are eligible for transportation supports, please contact **Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services (p. 3)**.

Taxi / Cab / Transportation Companies



DC Cab | **Phone number:** 519-364-4646

Hanover Taxi | **Phone number:** 519-364-4342



County Transportation: Grey Transit Route

Need to get around parts of Grey, Bruce, or Dufferin counties? The Grey Transit Route has you covered. Connected, comfortable, and affordable. The Grey't Way to Travel!

Reserved your seat in advance, either CALL or BOOK ONLINE.



GTR Phone Number: 226-910-1001

GTR Online Booking: www.grey.ca/gtr

Grey Transit Route Phone Line Hours

Monday to Sunday

GTR Phone Line – OPEN

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Statutory Holidays

GTR Phone Line - CLOSED

Grey Transit Route Fares / Payment Option



Payment can be made ONLINE by:

- Credit Card
- Debit Credit Card
- Ticket/Coupon Code

Payment can be made over the PHONE by:

- Credit Card
- Debit Credit Card
- Ticket/Coupon Code
- Exact Cash

Schools and Childcare

Schools in Grey and Bruce counties are primarily public or catholic and belong to the Bluewater District School Board, the Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board, or the Conseil Scolaire Catholique Providence. Some schools provide before and after school childcare. Visit their website for more information (see below).

Bluewater District School Board



Central Office Address:

Bluewater District School Board Education Centre
P.O. Box 190, 351 1st Avenue North
Chesley, Ontario N0G 1L0

General phone number: (519) 363-2014

Email: info@bwdsb.on.ca

Website: <https://www.bwdsb.on.ca/>

Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board



Catholic Education Centre:

Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board
799 16th Ave.
Hanover, ON N4N 3A1

General phone number: (519) 364-5820

Email: bruce_grey@bgcdsb.org

Website: <https://www.bgcdsb.org/>

Providence Catholic School Board / Conseil Scolaire Catholique Providence

**(External) Office Address:**

Conseil Scolaire Catholique Providence
7515 Forest Glade Drive
Windsor, ON
N8T 3P5

General phone number: (519) 948-9227

Website: <https://www.cscprovidence.ca/>

Grey / Bruce School Name:

Saint-Dominique-Savio Catholic School

800 East 23rd Street
Owen Sound, ON
N4K 6Z5

Local School Locations Near Brockton



Elementary School

Walkerton District Community School | **Location:** Walkerton

St. Teresa of Calcutta | **Location:** Walkerton

Mary Immaculate School | **Location:** Chepstow



French Immersion Elementary School

Immaculate Conception School | **Location:** Formosa



Secondary School / High School

Walkerton District Community School | **Location:** Walkerton

Sacred Heart High School | **Location:** Walkerton



Food and Groceries

Below is a list of stores in or near Brockton that might help you find the ingredients you need for your favourite dishes.



Grocery Store: Kaufman's Your Independent Grocer

Phone number: 519-881-2280

Address: 1200 Yonge Street South, Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0



Grocery Store: Walkerton Foodland

Phone number: 519-881-1021

Address: 125 Durham Street East, Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0

Emergency Food Sources

Below is a list of emergency food sources in or near Brockton:



Food Bank: Walkerton & District Food Bank

Phone number: 519-881-0168

Address: 6 May Street, Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0

Your Public Library

Public libraries are free to use, and offer lots of things to borrow, programs to attend, and services to use. Visit your public library to get a library card, borrow books, movies, and music, and find out all they have to offer. Most libraries have computers and printers, meeting rooms, and free Wi-Fi. Library websites provide access to online information and entertainment, like movies, eBooks, newspapers, magazines, as well as educational resources.



Bruce County Public Library

There are 17 Branches of Bruce County Public Library. You are welcome to visit any of the Branches, and your Library card will work at all of them. Find out more about locations, services, and hours of operation:

Website: library.brucecounty.on.ca

Email: libraryinfo@brucecounty.on.ca

General phone number: 519-832-6935



Grey County Libraries

Public libraries in Grey County operate independently throughout the region.

A list of public libraries in Grey County can be found online on the Grey County website.

Website: grey.ca/libraries

Your New Home!

There is lots to learn about your new home. Here are a few things you should know:



Owning a Pet

Licences / tags are required for dogs. Learn more at:

Website: www.brockton.ca



Snow Removal

The municipality / county takes care of snow removal on public roads and sidewalks. Driveway clearing - by shoveling or using a snowblower - is the responsibility of all homeowners.



Parks and Playgrounds

We have many parks and playgrounds for you to enjoy. Addresses / maps can be found at:

Website: www.brockton.ca



Property Taxes

Property taxes are paid by every property owner to help pay for services like road maintenance, policing, fire services, recreation and more. If you have questions about your property tax bill, call us at:

Phone number: 519-881-2223



Septic Systems

Depending on your living accommodations and your location in Grey or Bruce counties, you might have a septic system. Proper care and maintenance of your septic system is very important. Learn more about how to manage your septic system here:

Website: www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca

Garbage and Recycling

Garbage and recycling services help keep our community clean and safe. Garbage pick-up is provided by Bruce Sales and Service of Chesley, and recycling pick-up is done by Bruce Area Solid Waste Recycling. If you live in an apartment or condo, check with your building manager about garbage and recycling services.



You can find out **pick-up dates / times** for garbage and recycling in our community on this website.

Website: www.brockton.ca



If you need to report a missed pick-up of either garbage or recycling, you can call.

Phone number: 519-363-3811 (garbage) or 1-800-794-9770 (recycling)



Bag tags are required for garbage pick-up at your home. For a list of stores where you can buy bag-tags in our community of Brockton visit our website:

Website: www.brockton.ca

Meet Your Community: Groups and Events

If you are looking to connect with the people in your new community of Brockton, try volunteering for a committee or attending a local event.

List of Local Community Groups

Our service clubs are always open to new members and volunteers to help with fundraising for community projects and causes. What a great way to meet new friends! Local clubs include:

- Chepstow & District Lions Club
- Knights of Columbus
- Rotary Club of Walkerton
- Royal Canadian Legion Branch 102
- Walkerton & District Optimist Club
- Walkerton Kinette Club
- Walkerton Kinsmen Club

For other opportunities consider:

- Council advisory committees such as heritage, accessibility, parks and recreation, or ad-hoc committees as they arise
- Victoria Jubilee Hall
- Volunteer firefighters (Walkerton and Elmwood)
- Walkerton Agricultural Society
- Walkerton Food Bank
- Walkerton & District Hospital Foundation



For more information about local community groups, ways to get involved, or volunteer opportunities visit this website.

Website: www.volunteerconnection.ca

Connect with Us – *Municipality of Brockton*

We know you will have lots of questions and we want to help you settle into your new home. Here are all the ways you can contact us:



Website

Stay up to date by visiting our website:

www.brockton.ca



Electronic Newsletters

Sign up for our email updates / newsletters



Give Us Your Feedback

Get involved in your community by providing feedback and participating in community engagement projects



Main Office - Location

100 Scott Street, PO Box 68
Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0



Call

519-881-2223

About Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership

Our partnership spans across county lines, and community signs. Our coordination runs along sandy shorelines and flows over rolling fields. It reaches deep into Lake Huron and scales the Niagara Escarpment.

Collectively, we strive to build stronger communities through awareness, outreach, inclusion, and equity to ensure immigrants and newcomers become welcome neighbours throughout Grey and Bruce Counties. The Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership works in collaboration with service-based organizations to ensure that new residents thrive and enhance the vibrant, diverse, and colourful landscapes they now call home.



Coordinating, Collaborating, and Connecting

How do we build a more welcoming and inclusive Grey / Bruce?

How can we work together to make it easier for newcomers to settle here?

These questions are at the heart of the Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership (GBLIP).

The GBLIP recognizes that immigration will continue to play a key role in the economic future of Grey and Bruce Counties. To support better immigration outcomes, the Partnership administers the GBLIP – a collaborative, community initiative designed to improve the integration of newcomers in Grey Bruce. Launched in June 2020, the GBLIP works at the local level to foster a community that is welcoming and inclusive and to support newcomers in becoming fully engaged in the social, economic, political, and cultural life of Grey and Bruce Counties.

This is achieved through focus on four priority areas:

- 1) Improving the coordination of settlement and integration services
- 2) Raising awareness around the needs of newcomers
- 3) Supporting community-level research and planning
- 4) Fostering welcoming communities.



The GBLIP is one of the many **Local Immigration Partnerships (LIPs)** sponsored by **Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada (IRCC)**. This federal initiative addresses the growing need for systematic community planning around immigrant attraction and retention.

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LIPs are underpinned by the understanding that:

- Newcomers play an important role in the Canadian economy and society
- In the near future, some industries and regions will depend on immigration to fulfill their labour needs
- Municipalities and community groups are best positioned to improve settlement and integration outcomes for newcomers
- The provision of basic settlement services is not sufficient to ensure success – consideration of newcomer needs must be incorporated into all aspects of community planning.

Settlement Strategy

The GBLIP Settlement Strategy 2025 is the culmination of more than a year of research and consultation, including 8 focus groups involving 62 participants across Grey Bruce and extensive surveys of both immigrants and the community at large.

The Settlement Strategy acts as the guiding document for the work of the GBLIP – providing a road map for how to build more welcoming and inclusive communities in Grey Bruce and improve the integration outcomes of newcomers.

It includes four strategic priorities:

- 1) Build Capacity
- 2) Strengthen Community
- 3) Cultivate Prosperity
- 4) Foster Inclusion

We are pleased to invite you to explore the full version of the GBLIP Settlement Strategy 2025 on our website:

Website: <https://greybrucelip.ca/settlement-strategy>

Have any questions for GBLIP? Contact Us!

Address: Corporation of the County of Grey
595 9th Ave East
Owen Sound Ontario N4K 3E3

Phone number: +1 519-372-0219 ext. 6108

Email: immigrationpartnership@grey.ca

Have Feedback for Us?

Please complete this short survey about the Welcoming Package to help us serve the community better:

Survey Website Link: bit.ly/GBLIP-welcome

Scan the QR Code to access the survey:



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