

Congratulations to Safe Families, recipient of the 2018 Collective Impact Legacy Grant

We are pleased to announce that Safe Families: Community Action to Prevent Family Violence within Immigrant Families received \$10,000 to put towards a project that will improve services for immigrants experiencing domestic violence.

This project follows a three-year research study looking into domestic violence within the immigrant community. The research found that more than 60% of participants had experienced domestic violence. Lack of knowledge or fear of the Canadian justice system is just one obstacle facing newcomers who experience domestic violence. Other barriers are language proficiency, social isolation and lack of economic resources.

The grant will enable Safe Families to develop a curriculum and a series of workshops to increase the cultural competence of service providers who work with newcomers. Bringing service providers together will create more effective solutions and improve services for immigrant families.