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Word of Welcome



The team at Atlantic Human Services Inc. celebrated our 20th anniversary along with our valued partners on January 20th. It was a proud moment for everyone to share this great experience that began with AHS in 1996 and an opportunity to reflect on the extraordinary impact of the whole team on our community as well as the immense and positive transformation in the lives of thousands of clients each year.

As the CEO of Atlantic Human Services, I shared my gratitude with the whole team as well as my enthusiasm for continued growth in the next 20 years!

Therefore, it is with pleasure that we share with you our successful launch in the Saint John area. A super team of Employment Counsellors are currently serving numerous newcomers and providing them with the tools and support necessary to successfully integrate into the labour market. In this issue, you will have the opportunity to meet our new team members. Don't hesitate to contact us if you would like us to work together. Thank you 3

Joffre Theriault President / CEO

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Success Stories

Atlantic Human Services Inc. is excited to announce the opening of a new office in Saint John in November 2016 the program: **Employment** Counseling Services for Landed Immigrants and Permanent Residents. The program offers assistance to newcomers to Canada in the following areas: Career Decision Making, Enhancement. Job Search and Employment Maintenance. There is also a focus on facilitating employer connections

and providing current information on the local labour market and job leads. The Saint John team currently includes Kouraich (Program Rahma Manager/Employment Counselor), Danielle Henry (Employment Counselor), Sara and **Badday** (Newcomers Support Agent). A third Employment Counselor will be joining the team shortly. We are very proud to now be able to assist Newcomers to Canada with their employment needs in both the Moncton and Saint John areas.

New Funding for AHS





Atlantic Human Services Inc. has received \$500,000 in funding over two years from the provincial government to support newcomers through employment counseling in both the Moncton and Saint John areas. These new funds will help even more newcomers find employment opportunities and integrate in the local economy. The new funding was announced at two press conferences held in the Saint John and Moncton AHS offices.

Welcome Saint John Team!



Rahma Kouraich Program Manager

Rahma is a Program Manager/Employment Counselor for Newcomers with Atlantic Human Services (Saint John office). She has over 19 years of experience in immigration, multiculturalism and training, including four years of direct experience in employment counseling for immigrants to Canada. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Modern Literature and Human Sciences and can speak and write in French, German, English and Arabic.



Danielle Henry Employment Counselor

Danielle graduated from Crandall University in 2010 with a Bachelor of Education and in 2006 from St. Thomas University with a Bachelor of Arts. Previous work history allowed for training and growth as an Employment Counselor with Eastern College, John Howard Society and Key Associates. During that time an interest in employment counseling was piqued and today, she is very happy to be employed with AHS as an Employment Counselor in the Saint John office.



Sara Badday Newcomers Support Agent

Sara came to Canada almost three years ago and is fluent in both Arabic and English. She attended college last year and received a Diploma in 3D Animation. She is currently working at Atlantic Human Services in the Saint John office in a term position funded by the Youth Employment Fund Program in order to gain some work experience and find out in which field she can develop her skills.



Thriving Together!



On the 20th of January 2017, Atlantic Human Services Inc. held its **20th Anniversary Celebration** at the Moncton office with staff and partners in attendance.

Welcome!



Krista Leger is our new Work Coach for the Moncton and Sackville regions. She successfully graduated from Mount Allison University with a degree in Sociology and Anthropology. She also has a business management background, having completed a program at CCNB Dieppe in Non-Profit Management.

She has worked in the not for profit field of corrections and housing, facilitating numerous programs both federal and provincial for the past 17 years. Her experience and knowledge is extensive in the areas of family and women's programs, clients with barriers to success (incarceration, mental health, addictions and homelessness). She has a strong background in case management and helping clients transition to the next level of their success.



Maryse Léger is the new Employment Counselor for Newcomers in the Moncton region. She has more than 25 years of experience working in various family and community support, counselling and teaching positions. Her educational background includes a Bachelor of Arts Degree and a Bachelor of Psychology Degree.

Throughout her career Maryse has collaborated with various levels of government, community agencies, employees and volunteers for implementation of much needed programs and services for citizens of all ages. Accompanying people in their strides towards attaining their goal has been the central thread of her career. She is very passionate about providing top quality service to all her clients.



NBCDA Board of Directors

The New Brunswick Career Development Association (NBCDA) elected a new board of directors during last November's annual conference.

We are pleased to announce that **Abdellatif Baoud** of Atlantic Human Services Inc. was chosen as Francophone Co-Chair.



Omar Nour was born in Casablanca in the Kingdom of Morocco and immigrated to Canada five years ago.

He holds Bachelor's Degrees in Industrial Engineering and Business Administration (Operations Management). He worked for the Province of New Brunswick as an interpreter to assist Syrian newcomers integrate in the community before joining the Atlantic Human Services Team as an Employment Counselor for Newcomers.



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Hiring Demand Bulletins

- MacArthur's Nurseries will open a year-round farmers' market in Moncton next month. The market will be open seven days a week and will serve locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs and other products. Unlike traditional farmers' market, MacArthur's will sell products it has already purchased from area growers, farmers and producers.
- AccorHotels, a worldwide hotel company, is looking to add 40 full-time positions at its North American Global Reservation Centre in Moncton by the end of the year. The call for agents is also open to home-based employees.
- Dolma Foods, a small grocery store located in Moncton, is re-opening after the building in which it was originally housed was destroyed in a fire, 15 months ago
- A total of 153 NB employers have applied through the federal government's Atlantic immigration pilot project for access to immigrants to fill 1,051 jobs. The program allows for entry of 2,000 skilled workers and their families to Atlantic Canada in 2017.
- Tlayölli, a catering business offering residents a taste of popular Mexico City street food, has opened in Moncton. The owner's end goal is to open a storefront restaurant in Moncton, sometime within the next year.
- The minimum legal wage in NB increased by \$0.35, from \$10.65 an hour to \$11.00 an hour on April 1. The increase marks the third time the minimum wage was raised in the province since December 2014.

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