

Welcoming a New Neighbour

Here are some ideas and tips of how to welcome a new neighbour into the neighbourhood.



Gather Info

- Learn their names and preferences.

Prepare Welcome Materials

- Create a welcome packet with local maps and resources.

Plan a Welcome Gift

- Consider baked goods or a small plant.

Organize a Meet-and-Greet

- Host a casual gathering to introduce them to neighbors.

Visit in Person

- Drop by to welcome them and offer help.

Share Contact Info

- Provide your phone number for questions.

Connect Them to the Community

- Invite them to local events and introduce them to neighbors.

Learn more about their culture and traditions

- Ask about the culture and background of their home country.

Follow Up

- Check in a week later to see how they're settling in.

Encourage Participation

- Suggest local groups or activities they might enjoy.

Be Available

- Stay approachable for future questions or support.

Welcome Basket Item Ideas

- A local community map
- A list of local Facebook groups
- Business cards from local businesses
- Printed take out menus of local food establishments
- A list of best local resources and services
- List of local cultural stores/services
- Gift card to local business or entertainment
- Copy of the local newspaper
- Homemade cookies or preserves
- Cards from neighbours
- Local places to see or visit
- A filled-out copy of the Neighbourhood Contact Sheet
- Pet treats if they have pets
- A plant, seeds or flowers
- Books about local history
- Books by local authors
- Have fun and be creative!

Check out the **"Welcome"** cards in your Neighbourhood Kit. Consider writing a personalized note on the back of the card welcoming them to your neighbourhood.

You can also share your contact information and suggest they reach out to you if they have any questions. Another idea is to get all your neighbours to sign the card too.

Welcome to the Neighbourhood



For more information on how to welcome newcomers visit:

<https://immigrantwelcome.ca/what-can-you-do-to-help-newcomers-feel-genuinely-welcome/>