

**SOCIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE**

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AND COUNCILLORS*

**SUBJECT: BURNABY PUBLIC DIALOGUE SERIES ON REFUGEES**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. THAT Council approve a contribution in the amount of \$800 in support of expenses for the public dialogue series on refugees.

**REPORT**

The Social Planning Committee, at its Open meeting held on 2015 November 04, received information regarding a series of community dialogues on the refugee crisis and its impact on Burnaby. As the Lower Mainland prepares for an influx of refugees, the Committee adopted the above noted recommendation offering Burnaby citizens the opportunity to understand the current issues and provide a platform to discuss different perspectives.

The dialogue series will be held on 2015 November 12, 26 and December 10 from 7-9 p.m. at Maywood Community School to assist service providers and the wider community welcome and support these individuals.

Burnaby's contribution would be pooled with those of the other partners (Burnaby Family Life, Immigrant Services Society of BC, MOSAIC, SFU, Journey Home Community Association, Burnaby School District, Vancity) to meet expenses which includes advertising, refreshments, and speakers' honorariums.

Respectfully submitted,

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