



MUNICIPALITY *of the*
COUNTY *of* KINGS

Municipal Message

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Canadian Multiculturalism Day:

A message from the Municipality of the County of Kings

Multiculturalism is at the heart of Canadian society—people from all ethnic, cultural, religious, linguistic backgrounds and abilities form the unique cultural fabric of Canada. Canadian Multiculturalism Day is a special time to recognize and celebrate the cultural diversity of Canada.

Most importantly, Canadian Multiculturalism Day is an opportunity to share and learn about the cultural heritage of our neighbours, co-workers, and friends to promote equity, diversity, inclusion, respect, and understanding.

In 1988, the Canadian government passed the Canadian Multicultural Act. The Act legally recognized differences such as race, religion; colour, national and ethnic origins as fundamental characteristics of Canadian society. It also amplifies Canada's commitment to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discriminations. In addition, the Act represents Canada's commitment to the preservation and promotion of the multicultural heritage of all Canadian in all spheres of life—social, economic, and political.

The Municipality of the County of Kings, through the [Strategy for Belonging](#), formally:

- Commits to promoting the cultural diversity of the Kings Region;
- Prohibits all forms of discrimination;
- Focuses on increasing authentic representation and reflection of diversity;
- Establishes education and public awareness campaigns to increase cultural competency, understanding, and inclusive communities; and
- Continuously collaborates with all communities to achieve the vision of “a community of communities where all people belong.”

Happy Canadian Multiculturalism Day!

Learn more about the Strategy for Belonging by visiting: www.countyofkings.ca/diversity.