



*Eleventh Annual*  
**NEWCOMER**  
**RECOGNITION**  
*awards*

## Rules and Regulations

### Entry Period

The Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Award nomination period will be open until September 22, 2023.

### How to Enter

The Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards are open to individuals, organizations and businesses based within Simcoe County (comprised of the 16 member municipalities and the two separated cities of Barrie and Orillia). One nomination form may be submitted per award. Each nomination must be submitted on a separate form. Incomplete forms may be considered ineligible for assessment. Rules of Entry must be accepted before an entry will be eligible for review.

The entry process may be undertaken by printing out a nomination form online at [simcoe.ca/dpt/ccs/lip/newcomer-recognition-awards](http://simcoe.ca/dpt/ccs/lip/newcomer-recognition-awards) and mailing, emailing, or faxing a completed typed hard copy to be received no later than September 22, 2023 to:

**Local Immigration Partnership  
County of Simcoe**

1110 Highway 26, Midhurst, Ontario L9N 1N6

**Fax:** 705-725-9539 **Attention:** Rachel Szepesi **Email:** [sclip@simcoe.ca](mailto:sclip@simcoe.ca)

Each entry will be assessed against how it aligns with the criteria in each category. The Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards Steering Committee reserves the right to withhold an award in any category if, in the judges' opinion, no entry meets the necessary standards. The judges' also reserve the right to disqualify an entry should it not meet the award criteria. The judges' decisions are final and no correspondence will be engaged.



## Rules

1. For the purpose of these awards, “immigrant” and “newcomer” are defined as a person who immigrated to Canada from another country, i.e. was not born in Canada.
2. By participating, each person submitting a nomination, nominee, and selected winner agree: (a) to be bound by these Rules and Regulations and the decisions of the Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards Steering Committee; (b) to release and hold harmless The Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards Steering Committee, its affiliates, subsidiaries, and independent contractors, and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents and representatives including advertising and promotion agencies, from any and all liability for claims/damages including, but not limited to, claims/damages for personal injury, for property damage with respect to acceptance, possession or use or misuse of the award, claims/damages related to participation in the Contest; (c) to permit Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Award Steering Committee and /or The County of Simcoe to use his/her name, address, city, province of residence, photograph, video, or any likeness for advertising or publicity purposes without any additional compensation; and (d) each winner agrees to sign a Declaration and Release Form to this effect. The decisions of Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards Steering Committee in relation to this Contest will be final and binding on all entrants.
3. Should any conflict of interest arise between the members of the Steering Committee and a particular award, they will abstain from entering into discussion and remove themselves from the process for the award in question.
4. Anyone in receipt of funding through Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada or ESL and Settlement Services is ineligible to receive an award and any applications received will be disqualified, with the exception of the Service Excellence Award.
5. The Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards Steering Committee shall not be responsible for incorrect or inaccurate transcription or registration of Contest entry information, technical malfunctions, lost/delayed data transmission, omission, interruption, deletion defect, faulty, incomplete, incomprehensible, or erased computer or network transmissions, line failures of any telephone network, failure of computer equipment, software, inability to access any online service or web site, inability to submit the online nomination form, or any other error or malfunction, or any injury or damage to entrant’s or any other person’s computer related to or resulting from participation or downloading any materials in the Contest, or for late, lost stolen, postage due, illegible or misdirected entries.
6. Nominees, nominators and references may be called prior to or after the evaluation of entries to confirm the Nominee meets the eligibility details listed in the Application Form and the Nominee may be disqualified if any statements are found to be false.
7. I acknowledge and accept the Rules and Regulations which govern participation in the Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards, and agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_