

The role and significance of the **Canadian Friend Program** (or **Host Program**, or **Pardino/Madrina**) amongst Immigrants who arrived in PEI (2006-7).

## PHASE 2 INTERVIEW TEMPLATE

First, please READ the INFORMATION LETTER and READ and SIGN the CONSENT FORM.

These are the questions we would like to discuss during our interview. If you prefer, or feel more comfortable and better able to articulate your response, you can write out all, or part of, your answers to any of the questions. *(If you prefer not to reply in English, we can translate your answer, if necessary.)*

Please feel free to provide as much detail as possible to each answer.

1. When did you arrive on Prince Edward Island (PEI) for the first time?
2. Why did you come to settle on PEI?
3. How did you decide to connect with the **Canadian Friend Program** (or **Host Program**, or **Pardino/Madrina**)?
4. From your experience and that of your household, how important was this **Host Program** to your settlement experience on PEI? Why? Why Not?
5. From your experience and that of your household, what in particular about the **Host Program** did you appreciate most? Why?
6. From your experience and that of your household, what in particular about the **Host Program** did you enjoy least? Why?

7. From your experience and that of your household, which features of living on Prince Edward Island were made easier by your participation in the **Host Program**? These features can include the following (*please tick all those, and only those, that apply to you*):

- finding work
- finding/ buying/renting a home
- buying a car
- going shopping
- opening a bank account / securing a bank loan
- making friends amongst Islanders
- making friends amongst other Newcomers to Canada and PEI
- meeting and getting to know the neighbours
- meeting and getting to know elected politicians (municipal, provincial, or federal)
- finding a school for my child/children
- learning / practicing one of the official languages (English / French)
- getting invited to people's homes (including holiday meals)
- joining a church
- joining a sport team
- joining a music, song, food or other cultural activity
- any other? (please describe): \_\_\_\_\_

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8. What suggestions or recommendations would you have to those who run the **HOST Program**, with a view to make it more effective?

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*Thank You so very much!*

*Do you have any questions? Is there anything that you wish to have clarified, or explained in greater detail?*