

Canada's submissions to the Secretary-General's report on "*Violence against women migrant workers*". Please note that all figures are in Canadian dollars.

- Integrating Gender Based Analysis+, an analytical process used to assess how diverse groups of women, men and non-binary people may experience policies, programs and initiatives, is a whole of Government of Canada priority. In line with this, the federal Department of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship is required under the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* (Canada's federal immigration law) to include a GBA+ assessment of the impact of the Act in its Annual Report.
- The Government of Canada provides funding to more than 500 settlement service provider organizations across Canada to deliver pre- and post-arrival settlement services to newcomers, more than half are of whom are women. Many of these organizations deliver settlement programming in the area of violence prevention and have strong community partnerships in place with local transition houses, police, and key emergency services to ensure holistic programming for victims of abuse.
- Under Canada's Strategy to Prevent and Address Gender-based Violence (GBV), the federal Department of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship received \$1.5 million in funding over five years to further enhance its Settlement Program. This funding is being used to develop a national settlement sector strategy on GBV through a coordinated coalition of settlement and anti-violence sector organizations.
- In 2018, the Government of Canada committed to invest \$3.4 million over two years, beginning in 2018–19, to establish a Migrant Worker Support Network (MWSN) on a pilot basis for temporary foreign workers (TFWs) dealing with potential mistreatment or abuse. The MWSN pilot was launched in British Columbia in October 2018. The Network supports migrant workers in understanding and exercising their rights. It also supports employers in understanding and meeting TFW Program conditions and requirements. Network members include migrant workers, migrant worker support organizations, settlement agencies, government officials of sending countries, Government of British Columbia representatives, academics and legal professions, unions, industry representatives, employers, and federal government representatives. Network members collaborate on key issues facing migrant workers and propose recommendations to better support, protect, and empower migrant workers.
- In addition, the Government of Canada is also providing funding to non-profit organizations to better support migrant workers in understanding and exercising their rights and to support employers in understanding and meeting conditions and requirements of the Temporary Foreign Worker program.