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Testimonial for the Ottawa Carleton District School Board (ODCSB)

The Catholic Centre for Immigrants would like to thank the Ottawa Carleton District School Board (ODCSB) for their support to our programs aimed at facilitating the Syrian Refugees' settlement in Ottawa.

By providing free space in their schools, we have been able to run various programs for the new families in several locations across the city.

That generosity has enabled us to start a choir series with new Syrian families on Saturdays at the Ottawa Technical School at 440 Albert Street. The program will run until May 14.

By attending these activities, our new residents get to know the city better and utilize a valuable public service such as schools.

We also plan to use ODCSB schools to run English conversation circles and other programs in the areas where the Syrian families have settled.

The settlement of newcomers to Canada requires the community to come together to facilitate their integration. That's what the ODCSB has shown since we started this collaboration.

We look forward to continuing this collaboration to better serve and support the Syrian refugees and other newcomers in Ottawa.

Yours sincerely,

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