## **WELCOME TO CANADA'S LONDON**

London is a diverse and inclusive community that honours, welcomes and accepts all people.

The following information provides a snapshot of a particular cultural community, shares some of the relevant services and opportunities and provides an initial introduction.

We invite you to explore and connect.



## THE GERMAN COMMUNITY IN LONDON

The German Londoners form an important community in the City of London. In the 2016 Canada census, 59,015 respondents reported German as their ethnic origin. Like the rest of Canada, and the entire province of Ontario, London fosters languages such as German, Arabic, Spanish, Mandarin, Italian, and Cantonese, which all appear in the top ten non-official languages. In the 2016 Canada census, 5,930 respondents reported knowledge of the German language.

German community in London enjoys a vibrant cultural and social life, a variety of German and European shopping choices and many businesses offering German language capabilities.

# **CULTURAL AND SOCIAL LIFE**

#### **German Canadian Club London**



1 Cove Road, London, Ontario N6J 1H7



519.433.2901



http://germancanadianclublondon.com/

The German Canadian Club was established in 1933, providing a meeting place for German immigrants who wished to practice and enjoy the customs and traditions of their homeland. The club activities are appealing to a diverse cross-section of the London and area population of all age groups. German Gemütlichkeit, language and song, as well as sports

are part of the customs and culture practiced and preserved at the German Canadian Club London.

Below is a summary of main activities and events in **German Canadian Club London** 

#### Soccer

The German Canadian Football Club (GCFC) is an integral part of the German Canadian Club. Founded in 1934, one year after the founding of the German Canadian Club, the GCFC has contributed enormously to the vitality of the Club. GCFC plays its matches at German Canadian Club of London Field, which is located at 1 Cove Road, London, Ontario, N6J 1H7.

German Canadian Club of London Field is a multi-purpose stadium in London, Ontario, Canada. It is used mostly for football matches and is the home ground of German Canadian FC and FC London (League 1 only). The stadium holds 1,000 spectators. The stadium field meets all FIFA standards and is comparable to the size of most fields in the German Bundisliga. The stadium has a top-notch daily maintenance program, up to date change rooms, food and beverages, and a large licensed patio. The soccer facility can also accommodate 4v4, 7v7, and 9v9 youth soccer pitches.

For more information, please visit the soccer website at <a href="www.gcfclondon.com">www.gcfclondon.com</a>.

#### HJR Tennis School & Tennis Club Green White

HJR Tennis is an outdoor tennis facility run by his son Joe Rosell, Jr., USPTA. They have 5 clay courts, with washrooms and a licensed bar onsite. Open May to September, they offer court rentals, clinics and lessons for all ages.

#### Senior's Group

The Senior's Group is a subgroup of the German Canadian Club for everyone who enjoys German tradition, singing, music, coffee, cake and German "Gemuetlichkeit". The group enjoys activities for 12 months of the year and offer: "Kaffeeklatsch" with a live band, Bingo (coffee, cake, live band) monthly; handicraft hour twice a month; picnic; Mother's Day; Father's Day celebration and the highlight Christmas dinner and entertainment. Bus trips are also available.

### Lyra Choir for all ages

The Lyra Choir is a mixed choir and have 30 active choir members. The semiprofessional choir sings under the direction of emeritus Professor Alvin Reimer, and offers enjoyable evenings, a better knowledge of music and an improvement of the voice.

For more information, please visit lyrachoirlondon.weebly.com, or drop-in on a Monday night and see for yourself.

## SHOPPING IN LONDON AND AREA

#### Alicia's Fine Foods



1290 Trafalgar St. London, On. N5Z 1H9



519-659-9797



http://alicias.ca/

**Alicia's Fine Foods** has the largest selection of imported European goods in London. Click here, to find more about the <u>Alicia's Fine Foods</u>.

#### KLEIBER'S DELI



130 King Street, London, ON N6A 1C5 (Convent Market)



519-439-3921



https://coventmarket.com/

**Kleiber's Deli** has a knack for personal service and a gift for selecting quality delicatessens from across Germany, Holland, Poland, Switzerland, and other parts of Europe.

For more information, visit <a href="https://coventmarket.com/merchants/kleibers-deli/">https://coventmarket.com/merchants/kleibers-deli/</a>.

### Other Grocery Stores offering variety of products from Europe and Germany:

- **Metzger's Meat Products Inc |** Butcher shop | 180 Brock Ave, Hensall, ON | (519) 262-3130
- European Deli & Bakery | Bakery | 217 Adelaide St S, London, ON N5Z 3K7 | (519)
  668-7445
- Red Cat Farm | Bakery | 82560 Bluewater Hwy, Goderich, ON N7A 3Y3 | (519) 524-1283

## **SERVICES & SUPPORT**

## **London German Language School**



70 Jacqueline St, A220 London, ON N5Z 3P7



519-433-0766



http://www.germanschoollondon.ca/

London German Language School has a team of dedicated instructors - most of whom have German as their first language - ensures thorough and accurate language instruction, as well as providing an insight into the culture and history of the German speaking parts of Europe.

### **LUSO Community Services**



1193 Oxford St E, Unit 2 London, ON



519-452-1466



http://www.lusocentre.org/

LUSO Community Services is a neighbourhood resource centre providing programs and services in the community for children, youth, families of culturally diverse and ethnic backgrounds in different languages including German.

## **Services and Programs:**

- Breakfast Program
- <u>Library Settlement Program</u>
- Multicultural Outreach Program
- Newcomer Settlement Program
- North East Area Youth Support Program
- Settlement Workers in Schools Program
- Y.O.L.O London

# **London Multicultural Community Association (LMCA)**



691 Whitehaven Cres London, ON



519-868-8585



www.londonmulticultural.com

The LMCA is an umbrella organization that works with the ethnic and the broader community in London to promote multiculturalism and inclusiveness.

LMCA organizes annual London Multicultural Festival, fundraise through relief concerts, research focus on immigrant entrepreneurs in London and the surrounding area, aids

immigrant entrepreneurs, provides scholarships to immigrant high school students and organizes annual multicultural gala dinner event.

### **London Cross Cultural Learner Centre (CCLC)**



505 Dundas St E London, ON N



519-642-7247



www.lcclc.org

CCLC is a newcomer settlement agency and intercultural education resource center. It promotes intercultural awareness and understanding. It also advocates and assists in accessing local medical, education, and social services.

- client support services
- intercultural competencies (cultural diversity) training
- employment counselling
- orientation services for newcomers
- · settlement counselling
- settlement workers in schools
- volunteer opportunities

### **Across Languages Translation and Interpretation (ALTI)**



129 and 131 Wellington St London, ON



519-642-7247



www.acrosslanguages.org

ALTI provides professional interpretation and translation, interpreter training, and language proficiency testing services:

**Interpretation Service** - Trained interpreters for health, legal, education, government and social service providers and professionals to communicate effectively with clients and patients. Services can be delivered on-site or remotely.

**Translation Service** - Translation of printed documents.

**Training Program** - Recruits and trains professional community interpreters and trains service providers to work more effectively with interpreters.

**Emergency After-Hour Interpretation Service** - Interpreters are available after regular office hours and requests are made by calling the office.

Multicultural Health Settlement Navigation - First language navigators available

to all community partners to support newcomer clients navigate health services in the community.

### **Mennonite Community Services**



16 Talbot St E Aylmer, ON N5H 1H4



519-765-3020



https://www.mcson.org/

Provides services to newcomers, particularly Low German speaking people.

**Newcomers, Settlement Services and Outreach** - Assessment, information, and referral services to newcomers, assists newcomers to settle in Elgin County. Also, provides interpretation services to help newcomers understand and access community services and orientation to life in Canada.

**Volunteer Driver Program** - Recruits volunteer drivers and coordinates interpreters and drivers for health-related appointments

**DE BRIGJ 105.9 FM CHPD** - Low German radio programs for the whole family. Integration and inclusion through information and education, news and weather, bus delays, health education programs. Contact De Brigj at 519-773-8555 or <a href="mailto:radio@mcson.org">radio@mcson.org</a>.



## **FIND specific information**

- Search for family physicians on the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario website. You can even search for physicians who speak the German language by visiting: <a href="https://doctors.cpso.on.ca/?v=doctors">https://doctors.cpso.on.ca/?v=doctors</a>
- Search for a dentist in Ontario. You can learn about their professional conduct, registration history, any discipline results, qualifications and academic information by visiting: <a href="https://www.rcdso.org/en-ca/find-a-dentist">https://www.rcdso.org/en-ca/find-a-dentist</a>
- Search for a lawyer or paralegal on the Law Society Lawyer and Paralegal Directory. You can also narrow your results and search based on who speaks the German language by performing an **Advanced Search here:** <a href="https://lso.ca/public-resources/finding-a-lawyer-or-paralegal/lawyer-and-paralegal-directory">https://lso.ca/public-resources/finding-a-lawyer-or-paralegal/lawyer-and-paralegal-directory</a>

- Search for a realtor on the London and St. Thomas Association of REALTORS by visiting: <a href="https://www.lstar.ca/find-realtor">https://www.lstar.ca/find-realtor</a>



### **BUSINESSES** providing German interpretation available upon request

- **Chartwell Aylmer Long** | Term Care Residence | 465 Talbot St W Aylmer, ON N5H 1K8 | 519-773-3423
- Norfolk Community Help Centre | Settlement and employment services | 505 Fairground Side Rd, RR 5 Langton, ON | 519-875-4601
- Pond Mills Medical Pharmacy | Pharmacy | 1166 Commissioners Rd E London, ON
  | 519-649-1414
- **Walmart Pharmacy Listowel |** Pharmacy | 600 Mitchell Rd S Listowel, ON | 519-291-6525
- Hutton House | Association for Adults with Disabilities | 654 Wonderland Rd N London, ON | 519-472-6479
- **KidLogic Child Care** | Learning Centre | 750 Wharncliffe Rd S London, ON | 519-685-4221
- Family and Children's Services of St Thomas and Elgin County | 410 Sunset Dr
  St Thomas, ON | 519-631-1492
- **Highview Residences** | Dementia Care | 35 and 41 Capulet Walk London, ON | 519-657-4468
- PeopleCare Communities Tavistock | Long-Term Care Home | 28 William St N, Box 460 Tavistock, ON | 519-655-2031
- **Middlesex Terrace** | Long Term Care Home | 2094 Gideon Dr Delaware | 519-652-3483
- **Wellkin Child and Youth Mental Wellness** | 912 Dundas St Woodstock, ON | 519-539-0463

Disclaimer: The list is from publicly accessible data sources that list German as language of service. This list is by no means exhaustive or means endorsement in any form.