



Saanich Peninsula Refugee Initiative Group

UPDATE #II

Oct. 1, 2016

Late Thursday evening **Fatma, her parents and her young brother arrived** in their new country, safe and sound. Before they passed through the arrival glass doors at airport, the family, exhausted from 30 hours of travel, saw the Arabic welcome signs and heard us clapping. The overwhelming joy and gratitude will never be forgotten by those who were there. Soon the family picked up their baggage, donned some warm clothing and were bundled into a taxi to go to their temporary accommodation. Staff of the InterCultural Association of Greater Victoria travelled with them to help them settle into their first night in Canada.

HOUSING UPDATE:

On Monday before their arrival, ICA and SPRIG worked out an arrangement for the family to stay together in temporary accommodation. We are very thankful that Fatma did not need to be separated from her family. They have assured us that they want to live together.

URGENT CALL FOR HOUSING for this family: three bedrooms, maximum \$1800/month including utilities/near bus stop, primary school, shopping. The aim is to move them into their new home (house or apartment) by mid October – two weeks from now!!!

If you have any **possible housing leads please email sprig@gmx.com immediately** and we will follow up with ICA.

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